

Easter Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 9, 2023

Welcome to Faith Church! We are so glad that you have joined us this morning. For those new or returning to the church, welcome home. God calls us all to Himself, and it's our conviction – we're here to prove it — that spirituality, Christianity, is most fully lived out in the congregation of God's people. You figured out we're not all together, but we're working on this journey of faith and we are glad you have come along with us for the ride.

GATHERING

THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

**Eternal God, who made this holy night to shine with the brightness of your one, true light, set us ablaze with the fire of your love and bring us to the radiance of your heavenly glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Praise the Lord! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: For us the stone has been rolled away.

Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Leader: Christ has been raised from death to new life.

Christ is risen indeed!

HYMN

Up from the Grave He Arose

VERSE 1:

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior!

Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

CHORUS:

Up from the grave He arose, (he arose)

With a mighty triumph o'er His foes; (o'er His foes)

He arose a victor from the dark domain

And He lives forever with His saints to reign.

He arose! (He arose) He arose! (He arose) Hallelujah! Christ arose!

VERSE 2:

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior!
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! (**Chorus**)

VERSE 3:

Death cannot keep His prey, Jesus my Savior!
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! (**Chorus**)

INVOCATION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SCRIPTURE LESSON *St. Luke 24:1-12*

SERMON

Rev. Ricardo Green

SPECIAL MUSIC *Was it a Morning Like This?*

Cynthia Shank

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Hymn of Promise

VERSE 1:

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

VERSE 2:

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future, what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

VERSE 3:

In our end is our beginning, in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing, in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

BENEDICTION

Trees of the Field

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace
The mountains and the hills will break forth before you
There'll be shouts of joy, and all the trees of the field
will clap, will clap their hands

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands
The trees of the field will clap their hands
The trees of the field will clap their hands
While you go out with joy

Please join us in Wesley Hall for breakfast and fellowship right after the service



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