



EASTER

Easter is a journey from lost to found, darkness to light, death to life. We will be incorporating this movement into this morning's service in several ways.

First, we will be gathering either outside the church (weather permitting) or in the darkened vestibule. There we will prepare and kindle a candle to symbolize Christ's presence, receive and light our own candles, and then carry the light into the darkened building to Henderson Chapel. Once in the chapel, please place your light on the communion table and take a seat.



In addition to light, two other traditional signs of Christ's presence will be shared, a reading from the Gospel of Christ's resurrection and sharing of the Love Feast.



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Following the benediction all are welcome to join us for breakfast in Trimmer Hall.

Thank you for sharing the journey with us.

Easter Sunday
April 24, 2011

Federated
Church

Sonrise Service
8:30 am

Preparation – The Piercing of the Christ Candle

Christ behind us in all of our yesterdays
Christ with us in our today
Christ before us in all of our tomorrows
Alpha and Omega, Christ, Lord of all!

**By the love of God in Christ,
May God guard and keep us. Amen.**

Praise be to God's love in Christ
For His forgiving power

Praise be to God's love in Christ
For His cleaning power.

Praise be to the love of God in Christ
For His releasing power.

Praise be to the love of God in Christ
For His victorious power.

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May God guard and keep us. Amen.**

Procession – Moving through Darkness to Light

Using your own votive candle, receive the light of the Christ candle and carry it with you as together we process through the darkened church.

Proclamation

Christ is raised! **He is risen indeed! Allelujah!**

Liturgy of the Word: *John 20: 1-18*

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1-2 Early in the morning on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone was moved away from the entrance. She ran at once to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, breathlessly panting, "They took the Master from the tomb. We don't know where they've put him." 3-10 Peter and the other disciple left immediately for the tomb. They ran, neck and neck. The other disciple got to the tomb first, outrunning Peter. Stooping to look in, he saw the pieces of linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in. Simon Peter arrived after him, entered the tomb, observed the linen cloths lying there, and the kerchief used to cover his head not lying with the linen cloths but separate, neatly folded by itself. Then the other disciple, the one who had gotten there first, went into the tomb, took one look at the evidence, and believed. No one yet knew from the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. The disciples then went back home. 11-13 But Mary stood outside the tomb weeping. As she wept, she knelt to look into the tomb and saw two angels sitting there, dressed in white, one at the head, the other at the foot of where Jesus' body had been laid. They said to her, "Woman, why do you weep?" 13-14 "They took my Master," she said, "and I don't know where they put him." After she said this, she turned away and saw Jesus standing there. But she didn't recognize him. 15 Jesus spoke to her, "Woman, why do you weep? Who are you looking for?" She, thinking that he was the gardener, said, "Mister, if you took him, tell me where you put him

so I can care for him.” ¹⁶ *Jesus said, “Mary.” Turning to face him, she said in Hebrew, “Rabboni!” meaning “Teacher!”* ¹⁷ *Jesus said, “Don't cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go to my brothers and tell them, ‘I ascend to my Father and your Father, my God and your God.’”* ¹⁸ *Mary Magdalene went, telling the news to the disciples: “I saw the Master!” And she told them everything he said to her.*

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Thanks be to God.

Leap and spin, you powers of heaven
Burst into explosive songs of joy.
All you companies of angels
Let the throne of God be surrounded
With the praises of all that has life.

Christ is risen indeed! Allelujah!

Let earth glory in her Maker.
Now mountain and valley glow in splendor;
The sea on the shore whispers the praise of Jesus.

River stream though thirsty soil.
Bringing news of gladness-
The Redeemer is risen. His glory fills the earth.
The trees thunder their praises,
And loudly clap their hands.

Christ is risen indeed! Allelujah!

Sound a trumpet through all the earth.
Our Morning Star is alive!
Risen in splendor, He is among us:
The darkness is driven back.
We, His people, join in the dance of
all creation

**We praise the love of God in Christ
That has brought our freedom
And reversed the curse of disobedience
And willfulness.**

**Jesus is God's love
Whose true love for us
Enables us to love one another
As we have been loved by God.**

Liturgy of the Table

Communion Meditation

Consecration of the Elements

The Lord's Supper

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Benediction



363 Be Joyful

They worshiped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. Luke 24:52

2-part Canon

The image shows two staves of musical notation in 4/4 time. The first staff is labeled 'I' and the second 'II'. Both staves are in treble clef. The lyrics are written below the notes.

I
Be joy - ful, joy - ful, the Lord is a - live.

II
Come on be joy - ful, joy - ful, the Lord is a - live!

TEXT: Kurt Kaiser

MUSIC: Kurt Kaiser

BE JOYFUL
Irregular meter

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“This **Jesus**
God raised up,
and of that all
of us are
witnesses.”

Acts 2:32, NRSV