ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 20, 2025 Worship 10:30 AM

Easter Sunday

Gather

Prelude "Alleluia" from "Exultate Jubilate" W. A. Mozart

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Prepare to Celebrate "Today is Easter!"

Welcome and Announcements

Choral Introit "I Love You, Lord" (*Renew*, 36) Laurie Klein

Lighting of the Candles

Praise

Prepare for Call to Worship

**Call to Worship

Leader: Look! The stone is rolled away! He is not here! Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Darkness has been vanquished! The brilliant light of hope has come!

People: Because of His risen light, we are loved more wholly, more deeply, and more

completely.

Leader: Come, open your hearts and spirits to the joyous Good News!

People: We are here to celebrate the greatest victory of all time.

Leader: Beloved, Christ is risen!

People: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

All: ALLELUIA! AMEN!

**Hymn # 248 (vss. 1-2) "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

HYMN TO JOY

Prepare

Call to Affirmation

Easter Candle Affirmation

Leader: We give thanks for the light of hope—unrelenting and inexplicable.

People: Our hope in Christ shines on. (1st candle is lit)

Leader: We give thanks for the light of peace—strong and unafraid.

People: The peace of Christ lights our way. (2nd candle is lit)

Leader: We give thanks for the light of joy—persistent and unpredictable.

People: The joy of Christ brightens our lives. (3rd candle is lit)

Leader: We give thanks for the light of love—warm and holy.

People: The love of Christ comforts and challenges. (4th candle is lit)

Leader: We give thanks for the light that shines—in darkness and light.

People: The light of Christ overcomes the darkness. (5th candle is lit)

Leader: We give thanks that the brilliant light of hope has come—strong and bright.

People: The redemptive power of Christ lives and reigns! (6th candle is lit)

Leader: Now we light the Christ candle as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus.

People: Hallelujah, because of God's Light death does not have the final word! (Christ

candle is lit)

**Congregational Response

Christ Arose! (word/music on separate sheet)

Up from the grave he arose; with a mighty triumph 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! Hallelujah! Christ arose!!

**Passing the Peace

The peace of risen Christ be with you! . . . And also with you.

Listen

Children's Message

Anthem "Mercy Tree"

Michael Wm. Neal

Prayer of Illumination

Let us prepare our hearts for God's good news. Let us pray: O God of Easter joy, we come this morning with glad shouts of praise. May this time of worship help us to experience the Risen Christ. In Your Word read and shared, open our hearts and our spirits to receive Christ's resurrection power! In your risen name we pray. Amen.

First Reading Acts 10:39-43 NRSV

Psalm Reflection Video Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Gospel Reading Matthew 28:1-10 (NRSV)

Sermon "Come, Follow Me: Beyond the Cross"

Video "All Things New"

Respond

Affirmation of faith (Book of Common Worship)

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering

Prayer of Dedication

**Easter Doxology "That Easter Day with Joy was Bright" (word/music on separate sheet)

O Jesus, King of gentleness, do all our inmost hearts possess,

And we to you will ever raise, the tribute of our grateful praise.

**Benediction

*** Closing Hymn #245 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!" Extinguishing the Candles

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Departure

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

**Those who are able, please stand.

Leaders in and for Worship

Preaching Today Reverend Ronnie Osborn

Liturgist Sarah Humfeld
Acolyte Daniel Fues
Organist/Pianist Jim West
Directing the Choir J. West

Greeter

Audio/Visual Technicians Rob Humfeld, Karen Neely

Bob Winkelmann Bill and Sue Young

Ushers Ted Groshong, Odell Newkirk

Announcements for April 20, 2025

FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS: Please join us today after worship in the Fellowship Hall for light refreshments and conversation with church friends.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERING: This special offering of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) is being received today. Gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing support the work of Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Special offering envelopes are available on the table by the entrance to the sanctuary. Please make checks payable to Trinity with "OGHS" marked on the memo line. Online donations can be made by going to the church website and choosing the "Give" menu item. Please select the One Great Hour of Sharing fund.

MISSION STUDY DISCERNMENT PROCESS: Please pick up a copy of "A 14-Day Exercise in Faithful Living" booklet from the front table in the lobby on your way out of worship today. This journal is provided by the Session so that you may participate in discerning the future of Trinity Presbyterian Church. Each person should have his/her own copy. We will begin using these booklets on Monday, April 21st, and will gather as a congregation on Sunday, May 4, after worship, to share our reflections from the two-week discernment time with our Mission Study Team. The Fellowship Committee will provide lunch in the Fellowship Hall. It is vitally important that all who are able participate in this time of discernment and sharing.