

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/EASTER SUNDAY
GATHER IN GOD’S NAME

(*=please stand if you are able)

Prelude (A time for Silence and Reflection)

Welcome/Bienvenida –

Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez

Opening Prayer/ Oración de Apertura

This day is not like any other day. Today we slow down. Today we take it all in. Today we rest in good news. This day is not like any other day. Today we are singing. Today we are full to the brim. Today joy cannot be contained. This day is not like any other day. Today the stone was rolled away. Today the women saw the empty grave. Today we know—death does not win. This day is not like any other day. Alleluia! Amen.

Praise Hymn of the Month (See Insert)

“Great Are You, Lord”

Call to Confession/ Llamado a la Confesión

Family of faith, it is our tradition to have a prayer of confession each week—not to harp on ourselves or to drum up guilt, but because we believe God is not done with us yet. So please join me in the prayer of confession, because God is always listening and God’s grace is always full to the brim.

Prayer of Confession/ Oración de Confesión

God of new life, we are a mixed bag. We want to be full to the brim with hope and joy, but often we overflow with comparison and doubt. We want to embody the resurrection, but often we’d rather stay the same than to begin again. We want to have the courage to be like the women on that Easter morning— to run and speak truth, but often we are weary of courage and uncertain of our own voices. Forgive us for all the ways we remain unchanged. Break into our hearts. Overflow here. With hope we pray, amen.

Silent Confession/ Confesión Silenciosa

Assurance Pardon/ Seguridad del Perdón

Family of faith, if there is life after death, then you can be certain— there is life after mess. There is life after mistakes. There is life after doubt. There is new life freely given, and that life is for you. You are forgiven, loved, and claimed. May we live full to the brim in response.

Thanks be to God, and let it be so.

Alleluia! Amen.

*Gloria Patri

“We Sing of Your Glory”

We sing of your glory, we praise you again,
for you are eternal. Amen. Amen

We sing of your power and honor again,
for you are eternal. Amen. Amen.

Prayer of Illumination/Oración de Iluminación

Holy God, we so often long for more. We want more than the hamster wheel life of to-do lists and errands, meal prep and alarm clocks. We want more than comparison and competition. We want more than certainty that drowns out curiosity. We want more than fear that leads to violence. We want a life that is teeming with alleluias. We want a life overcrowded with hope. We want a life congested with good news. We want a life jam-packed with forgiveness. We want a life bursting with laughter. We want a life so full that the stone just has to be rolled away. So today we pray—break the dam. Dust the cobwebs from our ears. Clear space in our minds to hear you clearly. Speak to us as only you can. It’s what we long for. We long for you. Gratefully we pray, amen.

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

Look! I’m creating a new heaven and a new earth: past events won’t be remembered; they won’t come to mind. Be glad and rejoice forever in what I’m creating, because I’m creating Jerusalem as a joy and her people as a source of gladness. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad about my people. No one will ever hear the sound of weeping or crying in it again. No more will babies live only a few days, or the old fail to live out their days. The one who dies at a hundred will be like a young person, and the one falling short of a hundred will seem cursed. They will build houses and live in them; they will plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They won’t build for others to live in, nor plant for others to eat. Like the days of a tree will be the days of my people; my chosen will make full use of their handiwork. They won’t labor in vain, nor bear children to a world of horrors, because they will be people blessed by the Lord, they along with their descendants. Before they call, I will answer; while they are still speaking, I will hear. Wolf and lamb will graze together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox, but the snake—its food will be dust. They won’t hurt or destroy at any place on my holy mountain, says the Lord.

L: This is the word God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn:

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”

Reflection/Reflexión

“The Stone Rolled Away”

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Scripture Reading:

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

If we have a hope in Christ only in this life, then we deserve to be pitied more than anyone else. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead. He’s the first crop of the harvest of those who have died. Since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead came through one too. In the same way that everyone dies in Adam, so

also everyone will be given life in Christ. Each event will happen in the right order: Christ, the first crop of the harvest, then those who belong to Christ at his coming, and then the end, when Christ hands over the kingdom to God the Father, when he brings every form of rule, every authority and power to an end. It is necessary for him to rule until *he puts all enemies under his feet*. Death is the last enemy to be brought to an end,

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

Reflection/Reflexión

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Anthem:

“Hear the Bells Ringing”

1st Scripture Reading

Luke 24: 1-12

Very early in the morning on the first day of the week, the women went to the tomb, bringing the fragrant spices they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they didn’t find the body of the Lord Jesus. They didn’t know what to make of this. Suddenly, two men were standing beside them in gleaming bright clothing. The women were frightened and bowed their faces toward the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He isn’t here, but has been raised. Remember what he told you while he was still in Galilee, that the Human One must be handed over to sinners, be crucified, and on the third day rise again.”Then they remembered his words. When they returned from the tomb, they reported all these things to the eleven and all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles. Their words struck the apostles as nonsense, and they didn’t believe the women. But Peter ran to the tomb. When he bent over to look inside, he saw only the linen cloth. Then he returned home, wondering what had happened.

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Instrumental Interlude

Words of Gratitude/Palabras de Gratitud

With glad and generous hearts, let us give from what we have received.

RESPOND IN GRACE

Offertory/ Ofrenda

Instrumental

* Doxology/ Doxología

“Thank you, Jesus”

Thank you, Jesus, amen! Thank you, Jesus, amen!
Thank you, Jesus, amen! Alelluia! Amen!

God, you meet our needs and transform us for service. Accept these gifts as tokens of our gratitude and bless Christ’s ministry with these offerings. Amen.

Prayers of the People/Oración del Pueblo (See insert)

*Lord’s Prayer / Oración del Padre Nuestro

Poem. (See Insert)

New Life is Right Here (Full to the Brim)

Announcements/Anuncios

Benediction/Bendición Final

God is Good! **All the time!** All the Time! **God is Good!**

Dios es Bueno! **¡Todo el Tiempo!** ¡Todo el Tiempo! **Dios es Bueno!**

As you leave this place,
may you be awestruck by the beauty of this world.
May you laugh, and may it be contagious.
May you overflow with love for those around you.
May you be effusive with hope and quick to point out joy.
And in all of your living, and breathing, and being,
may you find yourself full to the brim with God’s Holy Spirit,
and may it change your life.
In the name of the Lover, the Beloved, and Love itself—
go in peace, full to the brim. Amen.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ/ Compartiendo la Paz de Cristo

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you/ La paz de Cristo esté contigo

People: And also with you/ Pueblo: Y también contigo

Amen

Postlude

***Easter Tulip Display**

*The Ellison Family, in memory of.....Charles
in memory of.....John Fouracre
Jeniffer Rodriguez, in memory of.....Rafael Augusto Michel Suero
in memory of.....Andres Rodriguez
Tom & Lisa Clemmens, in loving memory of.....past members
with appreciation of the beauty of flowers
Duna Fullerton, given in memory of.....Dan Fullerton
given in memory of.....Mother & Father
given in memory of.....Vida
Carol Arrucci, in memory of.....Mr. John and Mrs. Catherine Cavalieri
in memory of.....Patricia and Catherine Cavalieri
Kofi Boateng, in loving memory of.....NANA
Nancy McIntyre, in honor of.....Brian McIntyre*

****Alleluia & Praise the Lord! He has risen! Amen!***

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where Jesus Christ is Lord; where men, women, and
children share in leadership; and where the strength
of our fellowship builds bridges to the community.”***
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EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2022

- In person Hybrid worship at 11AM
- English Bible Study Thursday's at 11:00AM via Zoom.
- Spanish Bible Study will be Wednesday's at 10:00AM.
- Prayer Time on Friday's at 1:00PM via zoom.
- Please submit your picture for the Church directory. If you need more information contact Pastor Jeniffer or Lindsay Wilkens.

-Zoom worship Service at 11:00AM

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Prayers and Praise

Please pray for Everyone in leadership

Please pray for Keeping Communities Safe

Please pray for Children/ families

Please pray for The Boateng Family

Please pray for The Otu's family

Please pray for The Supina/Ruess family

Please pray for The Sevilla's family

Please pray for Those who harm

Please pray for Peace in the middle of violence

Please pray for The Dyckman's Family

Please pray for The Ozuna Family

Please pray for The Reda's family

Please pray for People struggling with cancer. For healing

Please pray for For the physical and spiritual shape of our nation

Please pray for For leaders, people in a position of authority

Please Pray for Lima family

Please pray for Israel and Palestine

Please Pray for the Denzer Family

Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

PRAISE SONGS AND HYMNS

Great Are You, Lord

Great are you, Lord: You are holy and just; by your power we trust in your love.
Great are you, Lord: You are faithful and true; by your mercy you prove you are love.
Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise.
Great are you, Lord. We lift up our voices; we lift up our voices:
Great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Refrain:

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Praise to his name.

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation. (Refrain)
2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen. (Refrain)
4. Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior (Refrain)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Jesus Christ has risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son and the Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

El Señor resucitó, ¡Aleluya! Muerte y tumba ya venció. ¡Aleluya!
Con su fuerza y su virtud ¡Aleluya! Cautivó la esclavitud. ¡Aleluya!

El que al polvo se humilló, ¡Aleluya! Vencedor se levantó. ¡Aleluya!
Cante hoy la cristiandad ¡Aleluya! Su gloriosa majestad. ¡Aleluya!

Cristo, nuestro Salvador, ¡Aleluya! De la Muerte es triunfador. ¡Aleluya!
En El hemos de confiar. ¡Aleluya! Cantaremos sin cesar. ¡Aleluya!

Poem. New Life is Right Here (Full to the Brim)

Maybe today
we can take a moment.
Maybe today
we can silence the inner critic.
Maybe today
we can leave perfection at the door. Maybe today we can allow ourselves to be here.
Maybe that's all that matters.
Maybe this sunrise is for us.
Maybe these Hallelujahs are for us. Maybe the hope blooming in my chest is for us.
Maybe the resurrection was not just about God's body, but is about our body.
Maybe this new life reaches all the way to the edges. Maybe we are free to live in a new way
where love is the currency and we are enough.
Maybe that's what this is all about— not a relentless pursuit of more
but God's relentless pursuit of me.
New life
is right here.
Like the women—say it out loud. Like Peter—run that way.

Prayers of the People

The heavens and earth rejoice! God has raised Jesus from the dead and promised us everlasting life. Nothing can separate us from God's love in Jesus Christ. We praise you, O Holy One. We adore you. We celebrate our new life in Christ. Hear these prayers of your people for the power of resurrection to transform us and set us free.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

from pandemic exhaustion and anxiety, great resignations,
political divisions, gaslighting and culture wars.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

from our tendencies to hoard and consume without thought of neighbor or planet, from our need to satisfy every craving, from our habit of stuffing ourselves beyond what is healthy or necessary.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

from our thirst for violence, our rationalization of revenge, our
disbelief in peace as a pragmatic path.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

from all that lays waste to our souls, all the message that we are unworthy and incapable of becoming the people you created us to be, denying the imago Dei that sparks within.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

from doubts and depression, from hopeless despair, from
overwhelming grief.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

from the social evils that plague us, the injustice of poverty, racism, transphobia, homophobia and xenophobia.

In your mercy, **resurrect us, O God.**

Living Christ, we praise you for opening the gates of everlasting life and leading us through the wilderness to this glorious day of hope. We are not lost. We are not alone. Alleluia and amen.

Hear us now as we pray the prayer Christ taught us, "Our Father..."