

Early on the first day of the week. . . Easter Sunday Celebrating the Risen Christ

PRELUDE

“Christ Is Risen Today” *Lyra Davidica*
 “Were You There” *American Folk Hymn*
 “Beyond the Clouds”

Ozark Point Brass

arr. Jack Gale

John Wasson

WELCOME

Dr. John Robbins

+EASTER HYMN “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
 Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
 Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
 Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
 Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!
 Where’s thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!**

**Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
 Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
 Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
 Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!**

**Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
 Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
 Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**

+GREETING AND SHARING OF CHRIST’S PEACE

As God raised Jesus from the dead, so God lifts us all from the graves of broken dreams.

God forgives us and transforms us from sin to righteousness.

God makes the blind to see and the lame to walk.

**God makes us whole again, and sends us forth
 to witness to our faith, Glory to God! Amen.**

As transformed people of faith, let us share the peace of our Risen Savior,
 Jesus Christ, by saying, the Risen Christ be with you.

The Risen Christ be with you. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Rev. Jay Clark

+SUNG RESPONSE 307 v. 1

**Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.
 Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed.
 In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
 Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.**

W ZLOBIE LEZY

PSALTER “Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24”

Response (all singing)



This is the day the Lord has made;



let us re-joice, let us re-joice, let us re-joice and be glad.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”

The Lord is my strength and my power; the Lord has become my salvation.

There are joyous songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the Lord does valiantly, the right hand of the Lord is exalted,

The right hand of the Lord does valiantly!” Response

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has chastened me sorely, but has not given me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. Response

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Response

NEW TESTAMENT Acts 10:34-43

Rev. Clark

DANCE “Grace to Grace”

Emily Harris, Kathleen Marleneanu, Erin Sanders, Saige Wood, Dancers

Hillsong Worship
 New Creation Dance Company

EPISTLE 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Rev. Kathleen McMurray

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Dr. Jeff Hampton

OFFERTORY “Give Me Jesus”

Tania Kelley, “Nia Renée,” Soprano
*Senior, Little Rock Central High School; Student, Adventures in the Arts
 Contestant, American Idol, 2021*

arr. Moses Hogan

+HYMN “Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

**Easter people, raise your voices,
 sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
 Christ has brought us heaven’s choices;
 heavenly music, let it ring.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.**

**Every day to us is Easter,
 with its resurrection song.
 When in trouble move the faster
 to our God who rights the wrong.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.**

REGENT SQUARE

**Fear of death can no more stop us
 from our pressing here below.
 For our Lord empowered us to
 triumph over every foe.
 Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.**

+GOSPEL John 20: 1-18

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Dr. Robbins

EASTER MESSAGE

“I Serve a Risen Savior”

+HYMN “He Lives”

**I serve a risen Savior, he’s in the world today;
 I know that he is living, whatever foes may say.
 I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
 and just the time I need him, he’s always near.**

**In all the world around me I see his loving care,
 and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair.
 I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast; the day of
 his appearing will come at last. Refrain.**

ACKLEY

*Refrain. He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
 He walks with me and talks with me along life’s narrow way.
 He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
 You ask me how I know he lives! He lives within my heart.*

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal
 hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
 The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find; none
 other is so loving, so good and kind. Refrain.**

+BENEDICTION

Dr. Robbins

+BENEDICTION RESPONSE “Hallelujah” *Messiah*
**Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth;
 The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom
 of our Lord and of His Christ;
 And He shall reign forever and ever, King of Kings,
 and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!**

George Fredrik Handel

In the Service:

Musical Director: James Maase

Keyboard: Stanley Cox

Ozark Point Brass: Courtney Swindler, Trumpet; Rusty Morris, Trumpet; Jimmy Dugan, French Horn;

Mark Bailey, Trombone; Sam Revis, Tuba

Percussion: Rick Dimond

Vocal Quartet: LaSheena Gordon, Kayren Baker, Andrew Irvin, Kyle Forehand

Easter Flowers In Honor Of

My Daughter Suzanna Abston and Family given by Suzanne Clark
Marsha Allbritton given by Melissa Caldwell
Julie and Wally Allen given by Carol Hodges
Sarah Argue and Matthew Anderson given by Elise Argue
Mary Lou Billingsley given by Melissa Caldwell
Cindy Burns given by Nancy C. Smith
Tamra Calamese and Family given by Stacey Hightower
Our Children and Grandchildren given by Polly and Laudies Brantley
Rev. Jay Clark given by Nancy C. Smith
Rev. Jay Clark given by Carole Ann Provin
Robin Clark and Clayton Mathisen wedding given by Holly and Mark Mathisen
My Son William Penn Clark III and Family given by Suzanne Clark
PHUMC Clergy and Staff by Karen Barnwell
PHUMC Clergy and Staff given by Stacey Hightower
Pat Dillahunt given by Nancy C. Smith
Mandy and Bill Dillard given by Carol Hodges
Sarah, Stevie, Andrew, and Bennett Duke given by Lynn and Jim Monk
Gwen and Gene Efird given by The Argue Class
Ann and Gaston Gibson given by Carol Hodges
Dr. Jeffery B. Hampton given by Carole Ann Provin
Dr. Jeff Hampton given by Nancy C. Smith
Sunny Hawk given by Melissa Caldwell
Chris, Regan, Scottie, Hudson and Garrison Hightower given by Stacey Hightower
Carol B. Hodges given by Barbara Rogers Hoover
David and Marian Hodges given by Matt, Allie, and Ben Hodges
Sharron Holmes given by Meg, Dillon, Jackson, Mary Margaret, and Isabelle
Barbara Hoover given by Carol Hodges
Dr. Johnny Jones given by Anne P. Hill
Julie and Johnny Jones given by Carol Hodges
Jo Knight and Family given by Stacey Hightower
Leslie and Mark Lee given by Carol Hodges
David Gillison and Joyce Logan given by Sara and Chris Logan
Jim Maase given by Nancy C. Smith
Jim Maase given by Melissa Caldwell
Dr. & Mrs. Steve Marks given by William, Charlie and Howard Marks
Ms. Nancy Marks given by William, Charlie and Howard Marks
Julie and Lynn Marshall given by Virginia Lyle Marshall
Rev. Kathleen McMurray given by Nancy C. Smith
Rev. Kathleen McMurray given by Carole Ann Provin
Clarice Miller given by Stacey Hightower
Lynn Monk given by Melissa Caldwell
Barbara and Mack Moore given by Carol Hodges
Karen and Randy Mourot given by Carol Hodges
Vic and Freddie Nixon given by Anne P. Hill
Larry Norris given by Phyllis Norris
Our granddaughter, Faye McCollum Parker, in celebration of her 2nd birthday given by Melissa and Drake Hawkins
Paula Patterson given by Stacey Hightower
Mr. and Mrs. Terry Rasco given by William, Charlie and Howard Marks
Ms. Carol H. Rasco given by William, Charlie and Howard Marks
Dr. John Robbins given by Carole Ann Provin
Dr. John Robbins given by Nancy C. Smith
Freddie and Vic Nixon, Karen and Britt Skarda, and Susan and John Robbins given by Billie and Skip Rutherford
Marylee and Dan Robinson given by Barbara Rogers Hoover
Billie Rutherford given by Melissa Caldwell
Marian Caroline Schmidt given by SaraCate and Robert Moery
Cindy and Warren Simpson given by Carol Hodges
Virginia Smiser given by Dotty McLemore
Emily, Jeff, Charlotte and Anderson Stotts given by Elise Argue
Beverly Villines given by The Argue Class
Beverly Villines given by Kathy Roberts
Beverly and Buddy Villines given by Charles, Corey, Carter and Camren Brooks
Kathy Williamson given by Mark Williamson
Susan Wood given by The Argue Class

Easter Flowers In Memory Of

Carrie Ruth and Dick Alford given by David and Marian Hodges
Felton and Ruth Allbritton given by Jim and Marsha Allbritton
Jim Argue, Jr. given by Elise Argue
Ulysses "Mr. Buck" Banks given by Robin Smith
Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Barnwell given by Karen Barnwell
Nick Benson given by Chris and Debbie Benson
Nick Benson given by Your Loving Family
Carla Boerman, our sister given by Lou Casteel, Jean Churchill, and Billie Rutherford
Martin and Rosemary Borchert given by John and Sylvia Borchert
Laurabelle Brewer given by Kathy Roberts
Hank Buehling given by Cynthia Buehling
My mother Felice Norfleet Burkholder given by Suzanne Clark
Robert Chancellor given by Lesa Booker
My husband William P. Clark II given by Suzanne Clark
Brent Coker given by Daryl and Brian Coker
Floy Jean Dietz given by Dee and Susan Dietz
Ann and Gary Dye given by Leanna and Colin Wall
Mary Kay East given by Suzanne McGee
Pat Ellison given by Carole Ann Provin
Olive Fenton given by Susan and Tom Hensley
Peggy and Frank Fitzhugh given by Becky Fitzhugh
Sandy Gillison, Diane Gillison and Dr. Charles Logan given by Sara and Chris Logan
Carolyn M. Henslee given by Julia H. Garcia and Family
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hensley given by Susan and Tom Hensley
Jack E. Hill given by Anne P. Hill
Harryette and Kaneaster Hodges given by David and Marian Hodges
Tommy Hodges given by Carol and Cathy Hodges; Anne, Kris, Harrison, Alex & Walker
Tommy Hodges given by Barbara Rogers Hoover
Paul "Pete" Hoover given by Barbara Rogers Hoover
Pete Hoover given by Carol Hodges
Germaine "Tony" Johnson given by Stacey Hightower
Swann Kohler given by Billie and Skip Rutherford
Felipe and Irma Luna given by John and Sylvia Borchert
Tom McBee given by his Children and Grandchildren
Donald and Mary Jane McDonald given by Donald and Marie McDonald
Jack, Dot and Cindy McNeil given by Jim and Marsha Allbritton
My aunt Louise Brian Messer given by Suzanne Clark
Mildred Meyer "Nannie" given by Sharron and Jenny Holmes, Meg Terry, Jackson and Mary Margaret Lankford
Dr. Raymond P. Miller given by Stacey Hightower
Mavis Moore, Jr. given by the Courtney-Moore Family
O.W. and Mildred Morrow given by William and Marsha A. Morrow Morgan
Our mothers: Carolyn Wright and Josephine Davis given by Sally and Mel Davis
Freda Mott given by her granddaughter, Callie Mott Matthews
Our Parents given by Polly and Laudies Brantley
Robbie Pond given by Blake, Ann, Caroline and Ben Pond
Michael Ptak given by Jacque and Shinn Ptak
Selma and L.A. Ratley given by Robin Smith
Dr. John and Mary Roberts given by Kathy Roberts
John Roberts given by Charles, Corey, Carter and Camren Brooks
John Roberts given by Kathy Roberts
Doyle W. Rogers, Sr. given by Barbara Rogers Hoover
Eugene and Mary Schallenberg given by Schallenberg/Williams Family
Marjorie Sharp, my mother given by Marjean Rowe
Michael B. Smith given by Robin Smith
Jim Spradley given by Carolyn Spradley
Christine and Billy Springstead given by Robin and Fred
Robert R. Tankersley given by Susan and Danny Hill
Burnell Terry given by Blake, Ann, Caroline and Ben Pond
Mary Ellen Wade given by Roger and Beth Page
Emmett Robert Wall given by Leanna and Colin Wall



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Christ Is Risen

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TODAY'S GOSPEL READING

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 20: 1-18