# Easter Sunday

# Pulaski Heights United Methodist Church in Little Rock March 31, 2024 / 8:30, 9:45 & 11:00 a.m.

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WELCOME Dr. John Robbins

OPENING VOLUNTARY Entrata Festiva Flor Peeters

# \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Pastor: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: He has given us new life and hope.
He has raised Jesus from the dead.
Pastor: God has claimed us as his own.
People: He has brought us out of darkness.

He has made us light to the world.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed!

All: Alleluia!

# \* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 302 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

**EASTER HYMN** 

- 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!
- 2. 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!
- 3. 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!
- 4. 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!

(8:30) Rev. Katye Chambers (9:45 & 11:00) Rev. Jay Clark

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.

\* GLORIA PATRI 70 MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHORAL CALL TO PRAYER

Christ, We Do All Adore Thee

Théodore Dubois

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Dr. Jeffery Hampton

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

# **CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Lord of life, submitting to death, you conquered the grave.

By being lifted on a cross you drew all peoples to you.

By being raised from the dead you restored to humanity all that we had lost through sin.

Throughout these fifty days of Easter, we proclaim the marvelous mystery

of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity,

and it is in your name that we pray:

#### THE 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 trespasses
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

# **CHORAL AMEN**

# **GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERING**

Rev. Abbey Maynard

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Christ the Lord Is Risen Again

John Rutter

\* DOXOLOGY 95 OLD 100<sup>th</sup>

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#### \* HYMN 327

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

- Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
   Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
   Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
   and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
- Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
   His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
- Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
  from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.
  His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
  fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.
- Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
   All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

<sup>\*</sup> AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

\* SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20:1-18

This is the Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

\* GREETING

**SERMON** The Greatest News in History Dr. Robbins

\* ANTHEM Hallelujah Chorus G.F. Handel

\* DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Pastor: Go forth in joy to love and serve God in all that you do.

People: We are sent in the name of the risen Christ.

Pastor: Let us bless our Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY Toccata Charles-Marie Widor

from Symphony for Organ No. 5

(\*) The asterisk indicates to please stand, as you are able.

#### **WORSHIP LEADERS**

Dr. John Robbins, *Senior Pastor* Rev. Jay Clark, *Executive Pastor* 

Dr. Jeffery Hampton, *Pastor of Caring Ministries* Rev. Abbey Maynard, *Pastor of Community Ministries* 

Rev. Katye Chambers, Associate Pastor

Dr. Frode Gundersen, *Director of Music, Arts & Worship* Mr. Sungyun Kim, *Associate Music Director & Organist* Pulaski Heights UMC Chancel Choir

# ACOLYTES

(8:30) Clark Stewart (9:45) Isabel Adams & Saxon Greening

(11:00) Mary Carol Daugherty & Will Daugherty

#### **USHERS**

(8:30) Ann Bortz (*Lead*), Caroline Beauchamp, Emily Erkel, Rick Fleetwood, Jesse Gibson (9:45) Nancy Leonhardt (*Lead*), Jennie Cole, Amanda Edwards, Ryan Eppinette, Jim Moody (11:00) Scott Clement (*Lead*), Edith Bowman, Ryan Eppinette, Marilyn Micheletti

# **ALTAR GUILD**

SOUND

**INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE** 

Courtney Swindler, *Trumpet*Rusty Morris, *Trumpet* 

Geoffrey Sims, French Horn

Mark Bailey, Trombone

Rick Dimond, Timpani

Ray Cross, Tuba

(8:30) Jan Hundley (8:30 & 9:45) Bob Worthington 9:45) Bev Villines (10:45) Robert Powers

(11:00) Tomye Modlin

# **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The Sanctuary flowers are placed in honor of the Pulaski Heights UMC Chancel Choir.

### COLUMBARIUM GARDEN FLOWERS

The Columbarium Garden flowers are placed to the glory of God and in loving memory of all interred there by the Columbarium Board.

# **COLUMBARIAM CROSS WREATH**

The Columbarium Cross wreath is given in honor of the Columbarium Board by Carol Hodges, Cathy Hodges, Anne and Kris Kashata, and Harrison, Alex, and Walker Kashata.

