

Easter Sunrise Service 7 AM · April 9, 2023

He is Risen Indeed!

Prelude Andante (Baumert)

Meditation

Holy Saturday is a day that is truly unique in history. It was a day when Jesus was dead and it was day in which no one on earth had any sense of hope of Him ever being alive. The life and the ministry of the Lord was over. It had ended in what seemed to be complete failure. As the sun rose on Easter Sunday morning, the hopelessness of Holy Saturday loomed. Jesus overcame the reality and the certainty of that day in a moment. That's what He does.

Welcome and Announcements

Invocation

Call to Worship

Jesus suffered and died on the cross. His last moments were lonely and filled with pain.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercy never ends. They are new every morning. Great is God's faithfulness "The Lord is my portion," says my soul, "therefore I will hope in Him."

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercy never ends. They are new every morning. Great is God's faithfulness In you, O Lord, I seek refuge; do not let me put to shame; in your righteousness, deliver me!

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercy never ends. They are new every morning. Great is God's faithfulness You are indeed my rock and my fortress; for your name's sake, lead me and guide me.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercy never ends. They are new every morning. Great is God's faithfulness My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases. His mercy never ends. They are new every morning. Great is God's faithfulness

Opening Hymn When I Survey The Wondrous Cross Hymn 213

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

O God, today we are reminded that there were many different reactions to Your suffering and death. We know that one betrayed You. We know that one denied You. We know that many others ran away and tried to hide. We confess that we have done the same things. We have not lived with Your mission as our priority. We have avoided being counted with You. We have told ourselves that we can keep Your love and our faith to ourselves. We have not been so bold to love You even as You suffer and die. We have not been so bold as to believe in You and care for You even when no one else will please forgive us and help us to grow into love and faith that never wavers. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Silent Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

Passing of the Peace

Anthem Morning Has Broken Jonathan Mueller

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory *Wondrous Love* (Giamanco) **Dr. Wayne Kallstrom**

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Old Testament Reading Lamentation 3:19-24

New Testament Reading Matthew 27:57-60

Sermon "Before the After" Rev. J.D. Georlett

Closing Hymn Christ the Lord Is Risen Today Hymn 234

Benediction Amen

Postlude *I Know that My Redeemer Liveth* (Hatton-Medley)

