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CHURCH

He  
Has  
Risen!

Easter Sunrise Service  
7:00 AM // March 31, 2024

# He is Risen Indeed!

**Prelude** *Largo* (Stirling)

Wayne Kallstrom

## **Meditation**

When Jesus died, Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus took care of His dead body. They carefully prepared it for burial and then they honored Jesus with a tomb that Joseph had carved out of the rock. The enemies of Jesus did everything that they could to prevent the claim that He would rise from the dead, but nothing that they did could prevent the truth. Easter is a memorial to what Jesus did for us by rising from the dead, it is also an opportunity for us to react to His action, either with care and faith, or with rejection.

## **Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** *God Welcomes All*

Jonathan Mueller

## **Call to Worship**

In You, O Lord, I seek refuge. Do not let me be put to shame; in Your righteousness, deliver me. Incline Your ear to me and rescue me.

**Be a rock of refuge for me. Be a strong fortress to save me. My times are in Your hand. Let Your face shine upon me.**

I have gone to the tomb. I have gone to the place where they put the Lord's body after He died, and the tomb was empty. He was not there.

**We have hope. The sadness of Saturday is gone. It has been replaced with the hope that Jesus is alive. We have hope in His power.**

This indeed is the day that the Lord has made; God has created this day out of His perfect mercy and grace. Let us all rejoice and be glad in it.

**We didn't ask for such a gift and yet now it has come to us. The love of God blesses us with new life. We are now the children of God.**

**Opening Hymn** *Fairest Lord Jesus* Hymn 115

**Prayer of Confession**

O God, we know that the gift that this day brings came at a terrific cost. We will soon discover that the tomb is empty, and that we are forgiven of our sins, but we confess that we have been easily distracted away from the story of Your suffering. We haven't given much thought to the pain that You felt when we denied You and left You alone. We have averted our eyes from the sight of You being mocked and flogged by the Roman soldiers. We have quickly turned our attention toward our responsibilities and concerns, instead of spending time with You. We have taken this day as if we have earned it, and we have not honored You as You deserve. Please forgive us. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

**Silent Confession**

**Declaration of Forgiveness**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Anthem**

*How Deep The Fathers Love For Us*

Jonathan Mueller

**Offertory** *Andante* (Baumert)

Wayne Kallstrom

**Doxology**

**Prayer of Dedication**

**Old Testament Reading** Job 14:1-14

**New Testament Reading** Matthew 27:57-66

**Sermon**

*Deception*

Rev. J.D. Georlett

**Closing Hymn** *Christ The Lord Is Risen Today!* Hymn 234

**Benediction**

**Benediction Response** *Amen*

Jonathan Mueller

**Postlude**

*Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise* (Barr)

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