THE CHURCH GATHERS FOR WORSHIP

April 1, 2018 *Easter Sunday* 11:00 A.M.

Thank you for being here today. We believe that worship is essential to our faith. When we gather, we gather in the midst of God, and His Spirit inspires and directs. During our Gathering Time, we invite you to extend a warm welcome to each other and to our guests as we celebrate the gift of Christian fellowship! May you find the joy of God's love and grace as we share this time together.

We would also ask that in consideration of other worshipers, please turn off, or switch to silent mode, all paging and cellular devices.

Hearing Assistance devices are available from any usher.

WELCOME TO WORSHIPERS and MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

INVOCATION Jeff Allen

MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD John 20:1-8 Jeff Allen

RESPONSE Risen Today Forrest

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high! Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, 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!
Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave, Alleluia!
Soar we now where Christ has led! Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head! Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia! Alleluia!

CALL TO WORSHIP Jeff Allen

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

*HYMN NO. 160 Low in the Grave He Lav

CHRIST AROSE

CHILDREN'S TIME Jeff Allen

MINISTRY OF GOD'S WORD John 20:10-18 Matt Wilson

(p. 768 in pew Bible)

PASTORAL PRAYER Matt Wilson

*HYMN NO. 216 O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing AZMON

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Karen Lefler

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY OLD 100TH

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

ANTHEM Don't Cry arr. Raney

Why do you cry? He has risen! Why are you weeping? He's not dead. He paid it all on that lonesome highway, and his anointing, I can feel. He shed his blood for my transgressions, and by his stripes we are healed. Why do you cry? He has risen! Why are you weeping? He's not dead. So as you go through life's journey, don't you worry, lift up your head! Don't you cry, stop your weeping. He has risen! He's not dead.

Don't cry, wipe your eyes. He's not dead. Don't weep, He's not asleep. Jehovah, He's not dead.

He is not dead!

SERMON Which Is More Important? Pastor

*HYMN NO. 360 Easter People, Raise Your Voices REGENT SQUARE

*BENEDICTION Pastor

RESPONSE This Is the Threefold Truth ACCLAMATIONS

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

POSTLUDE

^{*} Those who are able are asked to stand. All song texts used by permission, CCLI #2433318

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Today

9:00 a.m.

Re:Creation Worship Service - Smith Hall
9:45

Sunday School
11:00

Morning Worship

<u>Monday</u>

10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Tuesday

10:00 a.m. Grace Notes to Creekside Terrace
1:00 p.m. Senior Aerobics

Wednesday

No Family Night Activities

Thursday

11:00 a.m. Grub Club to Bad Daddy's
1:00 p.m. Senior Aerobics
6:30 Tone & Stretch
7:30 APB Rehearsal

Saturday

7:00 a.m. A Men's Bible Study

<u>Nursery Workers Today 9:00:</u> Carolyn Ely, Jan Doty, Rachel Eller, Beth Nelson, Bernice Hudspeth, Vickie Sprinkle, Jennifer Allen

Nursery Workers Today 11:00: Leigh Longhurst, Leigh Ann Pernell, Whitney Pernell

A Called Conference will be held at Properties request on Wednesday, April 25th. The purpose of this conference is to discuss and vote on motions pertaining to security improvements throughout the church. The specific improvements to be discussed include additional cameras and expansion of the security system, replacement of the exterior entry doors of the Sanctuary as well as replacement of exterior entry doors of the Chapel.

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The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed!

EASTER SUNDAY