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Easter Day

April 1, 2018 10:30 a.m.

We Gather Together

Prelude

Andrew Sims

*Call to Worship:

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

New life is ours.

Hope is alive.

A new age dawns.

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!

*Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ is Risen Today!

VU 155

Welcome/Our Church in Ministry

If you are new with us, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card found in the pews.

Children's Time

Emily Severson

Children are invited forward for a special time. There is usually Sunday School for children after this time, but today they are invited to remain with families in the sanctuary. There is also a "Family Room," with activities for younger children, just behind the piano where the service can be seen and heard

*Children's Hymn

This is the Day

MV 122

Unison Prayer

Joel Fleck

God of the empty tomb, this is the day that brings life.

On this day, we remember that our lives do not end with our death, and we hear the call to live into eternal life, now.

May we respond by following Christ, by emptying our selves and letting him live through us, each day helping to make the world a better place. In your name we pray, Amen.

We Listen for the Ongoing Word of God

Scripture Reading

Sharon Hoekstra

Psalm 100 Refrain 2

VU 824

Acts 10: 34-43

Anthem

Glory to God, Hosanna in the Highest!

Gospel Reading

Mark 16: 1-8

Ben Severson

Response

Gloria

Choir

Reflection

"Dying to Rise"

Rev. Valerie Oden

*Hymn of Response

Hallelujah, Hallelujah Vss. 1, 2, 4

VU 179

*Affirming Our Faith

A New Creed

VU 918

Sharing our Joys and Concerns

Joanne Olson

Call to Prayer

O God, Hear Our Prayer (adapted)

VU 94

Pastoral Prayer / The Lord's Prayer

VU 914

We Share our Gifts and our Lives

Offering Our Gifts

The ministries of Riverbend United Church are possible because of the generous gifts of our members and friends. Thank you for your support.

Offering Hymn / Prayer

Joy Comes With the Dawn
(Refrain, Verse 3, Refrain)

VU 166

*Closing Hymn

The Day of Resurrection

Vu 164

*Benediction

*Recessional

Jesus Christ is Risen Today (Vs. 4) VU 155

Postlude

Andrew Sims

**denotes you are invited to stand as you are able and inclined*

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for this Easter Celebration.

*Riverbend United Church
Welcomes You*



Staff Ministry Team

Valerie Oden, Congregational Ministry
Tom Sawyer, Minister Emeritus
Joanne Olson, Health Ministry
Paula Roberts, Music Director
Andrew Sims, Accompanist
Ben Severson, Youth Ministry
Emily Severson, Children's Ministry
Lois Samis Lund, Handbell Choir Director
Jacqueline Pambrun-Hunt, Office Manager

Ministry of the Community

Matthew Schoenhardt, Chair
Christine Ens, Past Chair
Tom LaPointe, Treasurer
David Galbraith, Property & AV
David Faber, Lay Worship Leader
Carolyn Miller, Worship Slides
Audrey Skinner, Chancel décor
Peggy Robinson, Communion
Stephen & Fiona Bamforth, Communion