

Sonrise Service

April 5, 2026

In Preparation for Worship

God of Salvation, you have rolled the stone away and the tomb is empty. Nothing can defeat your love for humankind. The night is passed and with dawn comes new creation. Christ is risen to bring us new life. We herald with gladness your anointing of Jesus and rejoice in your promised redemption from sin. Hear our shouts of glad adoration as we enter the courtyard of your redeeming grace.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude and Silent Meditation

Invocation

Words of Welcome and Concerns of the Church

Call to Worship

Leader: Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to God.

People: This is the day that God has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Invocation and Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Praise** "What Wonderful Love Is This" Hymnal #215

*Litany of Assurance

Leader: God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed.

People: Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives forgiveness of sins through this name.

Leader: They put Jesus to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised Jesus on the third day and made him manifest.

People: Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives

forgiveness of sins through the name.

Leader: And Jesus commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that He is the one ordained by God.

People: Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives forgiveness of sins through this name.

*Assurance of Pardon

***Gloria Patri** (Glory Be to the Father)

Hymnal #581

Dedication

Reading of the Word: John 16:1-8

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"Easter Encounter" Maggie McDonald and Colton McKinley

*Doxology

Hymnal #606

*Prayer of Dedication

Anthem

"All Around Me" (arr. Flyleaf)

Anne McDonald, Soloist & Trinity Malecki, Accompanist

*Hymn:

"Thine is the Glory"

Hymnal #238

Preaching of the Word:

"The Light Comes Before Your Understanding"

Guest Preacher Will McKinley

Prayer of Application

Consecration

*Hymn of Consecration:

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today!"

Hymnal #245

*Benediction

*Postlude

"Toccata on Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (arr. Diane Bish)



*Congregation will stand if able.

Offering plates are at the entrance to sanctuary.