

AN EVER-WIDENING CIRCLE OF GRACE



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**John Dillon, Pastor**  
**Easter Sunday**  
**April 12, 2020 | 10:00 AM**

*Worship Leaders Today*  
*Message and Prayers: Rev. John Dillon*  
*Music Leaders*  
*Sherri Dees and Anthony Jay Houston*

# WE GATHER IN GRACE

EVERY PRAISE

Hezekiah Walker

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God of new life, on this day of mystery and glory,

**All: we recognize the wilderness in the world  
and trust that God is near.**

Pastor: We hold on to hope.

We stand in awe of your might and power.

**All: We welcome the Risen Christ!  
We come to worship!**

Pastor: Christ is risen!

**All: He is risen indeed!**

HYMN 232: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY (*verses 1, 2, & 4*)

**Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

EASTER AFFIRMATION

Pastor: This is the Good News—  
the grave is empty, Christ is risen!

**All: Hallelujah!**

Pastor: This is the Good News—  
the light shines through the darkness,  
and the darkness can never put it out.

**All: Hallelujah!**

Pastor: This is the Good News—  
once we were no people, now we are God's people.

**All: Hallelujah!**

Pastor: Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace,  
the peace we share with one another as we cry out:

**All: Hallelujah!**

## **WE GROW IN GRACE**

### WEE WORSHIP

HYMN 248: CHRIST IS RISEN! SHOUT HOSANNA!

**Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!  
Celebrate this day of days!  
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:  
all creation is amazed.  
In the desert all-surrounding,  
see, a spreading tree has grown.  
Healing leaves of grace abounding  
bring a taste of love unknown.**

**Christ is risen! Raise your spirits  
from the caverns of despair.  
Walk with gladness in the morning.  
See what love can do and dare.  
Drink the wine of resurrection,  
not a servant, but a friend.  
Jesus is our strong companion.  
Joy and peace shall never end.**

**Christ is risen! Earth and heaven  
nevermore shall be the same.  
Break the bread of new creation  
where the world is still in pain.  
Tell its grim, demonic chorus:  
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"  
God the First and Last is with us.  
Sing Hosanna everyone!**

MESSAGE

*"I have seen the Lord."  
A message for all.*

Rev. John Dillon

UKRAINIAN ALLELUIA

Craig Courtney

OFFERING : HERE COMES THE SUN

George Harrison  
Danish Guitar Performance - Soren Madsen

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INVITATION TO THE TABLE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

music provided by John Morefield

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Christ is our risen brother, strength and salvation!

**All: Lord on this day of power and mystery,  
we have broken bread  
and taken wine as you commanded.  
We have taken you into our mind, body and spirit,  
so that we may be transformed,  
so that we may grow in faith and in love. Hallelujah!**

**WE GO IN GRACE**

HALLELUJAH CHORUS FROM MESSIAH

G.F. Händel

*We gather in grace, we grow in grace, we go in grace...  
The journey continues in an ever-widening circle of grace.*