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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

We Gather in the Word

Call to Worship

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Great is the mystery of faith.

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

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks

be to God who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ

Christ has risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

**Gathering Song* *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* 248

*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!*

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, your Word teaches us that whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. Forgive us for forgetting your gracious promise of life. We live in fear, thinking death has the final say. We follow our own ways rather than your life-giving path in Jesus Christ. Help us put our trust in you, for you have the power of life over death. We believe, Lord; help our unbelief. In the name of Jesus Christ, risen from the dead never to die again, we pray. Amen.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end, Amen, Amen.*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Scripture Acts 2: 14, 22-24, 32-33 Pew Bible, Page 771

Anthem *You are the Lord* *Choir*

Scripture John 20: 19-31 Pew Bible, Page 769

Message Believing is seeing Rev. Edward Dunn
We Respond to the Word

*Responding Song Be Thou My Vision 450

*Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou best thought, by day or by night,
walking or sleeping, thy presence my light.*

*Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my soul's shelter and thou my high tower;
raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power.*

*Riches I heed not, nor vain, empty praise;
thou mine inheritance, now and always;
thou and thou only, first in my heart,*

High King of Heaven, my treasure thou art.

*High King of Heaven, my victory won,
my I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever be fall'
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

Prayers of the People

The Lords 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.

Receiving Our Offering

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

*Prayer of Dedication

**Sending Song*

Thine Is The Glory

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*Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is
the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment
rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave clothes
where thy body lay.*

*Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is
the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

*Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb, lovingly
he greet us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth;
death hath lost its sting.*

*No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life! Life is naught
without thee; aid us on our strife. Make us more than conquerors*

*through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan
To thy home above.*

*Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is
the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

*Blessing

Postlude Come, Thou Almighty King