



Sunrise Worship

April 4, 2021 7:00am

Gathering Around the Word

Gathering Music

Sunrise at the Sepulcher
Low in the Grave He Lay
Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee
Crown Him with Many Crowns

Sarah Douglas
Robert Lowry
Ludwig Van Beethoven
George Job Elvey

Welcome/Announcements

Call to Worship

This day is like every other day.
Alarm clocks beeped. Covers were removed.
Coffee was brewed. Weary bodies came to life.
And yet this day, is like no other day—
For the sun rose, and we knew it was a miracle.
The tomb was empty, and they knew it was love.
The longest night is over.
Death has lost its sting.
Jesus is among us.
He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!
Alleluia! Amen.
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Hymn 232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

Words of Confession (unison)

**We have seen the sun rise and withheld our praise.
We have seen our neighbors suffer and have withheld our aid.
We have seen love extended and chosen to walk away.
We have seen divisions deepen and managed to remain unfazed.
God, your love is like the sun.
No matter how lost we are in the night,
Day after day, your light will find us.
We are held in the palm of your hand and everlasting promises.
Thanks be to God for a love like this! Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Response Hymn 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Scripture

Mark 16:1-8

Sermon

The Sun Rises

Rev. Neeley Rentz Lane

Hymn

By the Mark
Dan & Perri Walden

Gillian Welch

Affirmation of Faith

**We know the fear of the upper room.
We know the feeling of hard days and long nights.
We know the grief of the tomb,
And the particular ache of saying goodbye.
We know the pain of Good Friday,
And we know the darkness before dawn.
And still,
And still,
We believe.
We believe that
The sun will rise.
God will draw near.
We will march toward justice.
The tomb will be empty.
Love will win.
God will lead the church.
We will be loved.
The journey will not be perfect.
We will need to rise before dawn.
We will need angels along the way.
The sun will rise.
We believe. Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!**

Easter Prayer

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.

Hymn 239

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

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Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Thine Is the Glory

George Frederic Handel





Easter Outreach

The flowers are given to the glory of God in witness to the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Donations above the cost of flowers will go to support Thornwell Homes.

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