

# EASTER SUNDAY

## The Resurrection of Our Lord

### GOD'S PEOPLE GATHER

Prelude

Choral Introit (11:15 a.m.)

*Hymn of Promise*  
music: Natalie Sleeth; Village Voices

The Easter Proclamation

\*Hymn, No. 232

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*  
EASTER HYMN

**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!**  
**sinner to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!**  
**our salvation have procured. Alleluia!**  
**Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!**  
**where the angels ever sing. 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!**

\*Responsive Morning Prayer

Living God,  
the broken body of Jesus  
no longer occupies the grave,  
**for by the power of your Spirit,**  
**you have brought life from death.**

In every word, Jesus taught  
**that love is stronger than hate.**  
In every deed, he demonstrated  
**that your welcome includes everyone.**  
In every relationship, he loved  
**with a love that does not let go.**

It is Easter because  
**his words were true,**  
**and his deeds were holy,**  
**and his life revealed your heart, O God.**

**The broken body of Jesus**  
**no longer occupies the grave.**  
**Your love not only raised Jesus from the dead,**  
**but also calls us by name,**  
**and grants death no power to pull us from you.**  
**In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.**

\*Response of Praise

*Be Not Afraid*

Be not a - fraid; sing out for joy! Christ is ris-en, al-le - lu - ia!

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\*Sharing the Peace

Words of Welcome

## PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Faith Sharing with Children (9:30 and 11:15 a.m.)

Prayer for Illumination

Jim Borthwick (8 a.m.)

Kevin Hennessy (9:30 a.m.)

Scott Stanley (11:15 a.m.)

Scripture Reading

Mark 16:1-8 (p.929)

Anthem

*Worthy is the Lamb That Was Slain; Amen* (from "Messiah")

music: G.F. Handel, Village Choir

Scripture Reading

2 Corinthians 4:7-12 (p. 1054)

Sermon

*Easter Isn't Over*

Rev. Tom Are, Jr.

## RESPONSE TO THE WORD

\*Affirmation of Faith

**Jesus is our living Lord.**

**Jesus was dead and buried,**  
**but God raised him from the dead.**

**We are certain that Jesus lives.****He lives as God with us,****touching all of human life with the presence of God.****He lives as one of us with God.****Because he shares our humanity****and has bound us to himself in love,****we have an advocate in the innermost life of God.****We declare that Jesus is Lord.****We maintain that ultimate sovereignty****now belongs to Jesus Christ****in every sphere of life.****Jesus is Lord!****He has been Lord from the beginning.****He will be Lord at the end.****Even now he is Lord.**

\*Hymn No. 231

*Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers*  
SUO GAN

1 Christ has ris-en while earth slum-bers; Christ has ris-en where hope died,  
2 Christ has ris-en for the peo - ple whom he died to love and save;  
3 Christ has ris-en and for ev - er lives to chal-lenge and to change

as he said and as he prom-ised, as we doubt-ed and de - nied.  
Christ has ris-en for the wom-en bring-ing flowers to grace his grave.  
all whose lives are messed or man-gled, all who find re - li - gion strange.

Let the moon em-brace the bless-ing; let the sun sus-tain the cheer;  
Christ has ris - en for dis - ci - ples hud-dled in an up - stairs room.  
Christ is ris - en, Christ is pres - ent mak - ing us what he has been:

let the world con-firm the ru-mor: Christ is ris-en, God is here!  
He whose word in-spired cre-a-tion can't be si-lenced by the tomb.  
ev - i - dence of trans-for-ma-tion in which God is known and seen.

Prayers of the People 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.**

Offertory *Christ Rising Again*  
music: William Byrd, arr. Craig Garner; The Village Brass

\*Response *Doxology with Alleluias*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Christ, all people here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;  
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn, No. 248 *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*  
HYMN TO JOY

**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!**

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction *Hallelujah (from "Messiah")*  
music: G.F. Handel; The Village Choir

\*Postlude *Chorale and Hallelujah from Cantata #4*  
music: J.S. Bach; arr. Craig Garner

\*All who are able may stand.

*We kindly request that cell phones be silenced during worship.*

### Liturgists

Rev. Len Carrell — 8 a.m.  
Rev. Hallie Hottle and Dr. Rodger Nishioka — 9:30 and 11:15 a.m.

### Village Brass Ensemble

Trumpets: Wayne Bates, Stan Chappell, Mark McDonald, Brad Winter  
Horn: Lauren Beck, Matthew LaMar, Kirk Rush, Lisa Rush  
Trombone: Dave Groebe, Kerry Kinkelaar, Tom Mahan, John Porter  
Euphonium: Freddy Morado  
Tuba: Michael Hegge

### Flowering of the Cross

We invite you to Flower the Cross with your family,  
outside on the west lawn or the south side,  
to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ!

Members of the Village Emergency Response Team (V.E.R.T.) are assigned and available during each Sunday service. They are certified in CPR and in the use of the Automated External Defibrillator (AED). V.E.R.T. members can be recognized by their red name tags.

## UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

### Resurrection: It's More Than You Think

Easter Sunday is the day we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is a joyful and triumphant day. But resurrection is more than a day of jubilation. Resurrection is God's holy and loving choice to raise Jesus from death. Resurrection is the promise of life after death—but it is more than that. Resurrection speaks to our fears and our ethics; it reorders priorities and provides the foundation for real hope. Resurrection is personal enough to whisper your name but it is also cosmic in scope. Throughout the month of April, when the lilies have faded and the egg hunts have passed, the pastors of Village Church will share with you what they think about resurrection, and how it shapes their lives.

If you would like more information about the life and ministries of Village Church, or are interested in becoming a member, please call 913-671-2331 or visit [villagepres.org](http://villagepres.org).



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## SANCTUARY



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## SERVICE OF WORSHIP

March 27, 2016 • 8, 9:30, 11:15 a.m.

We welcome you to this joyous celebration and invite you to join us each Sunday morning. Regular worship times are 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. in the Sanctuary and The Gathering at 10:45 a.m. in Friendship Hall.

