

EASTER SON-RISE SERVICE

6:00 a.m.

April 1, 2018

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: Christ is Risen

People: Christ is Risen Indeed

Pastor: Brothers and Sisters in Christ: on this holy morning, when our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life, we gather in vigil and prayer with members of the Christian community dispersed throughout the world. We join with the whole company of God's people in recalling and celebrating His victory over death, and our deliverance from the bondage of sin and darkness to everlasting light.

People: Praise the Lord, He is Risen!

HYMN: "Up From the Grave He Arose" UMH #322

PRAYER: (in unison)

Eternal Lord of Life, through your Son you have given your people the brightness of your light. Sanctify this new fire, and kindle in our hearts and minds a holy desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising until we feast at the banquet of Eternal Light; through Jesus Christ, the Son of Righteousness. Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: THE NICENE CREED
(on back)

Lighting of the Paschal Candle: (*The Paschal / Christ Candle is light with the following words.*)

Pastor: The light of Christ rises in glory, overcoming the darkness of sin and death.

All: Thanks be to God!

SCRIPTURE: Luke 24:1-12

MESSAGE: "An Early Sunday Morning"

HYMN: Because He Lives UMH #364

- **TITHES AND OFFERINGS:** ushers will pass the offering plates while we sing.

BENEDICTION

Please join us downstairs for breakfast and then come back for our regular Sunday services today as we continue our celebration of the resurrection of our Lord.

Hennepin: 8:30am

Magnolia: 10:00am

McNabb: worshiping with Magnolia this week

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, The Father, the Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth, of all that is seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through Him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation He came down from Heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the scriptures; He ascended into Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy universal and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

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