



GRACE UNITED CHURCH
Worship Service – 4th of Easter
April 21, 2024 at 10:30 a.m.
Lead Minister: Rev. Dr. Thomas Shin
Lay Presider: Maria Stevens

GATHERING TO WORSHIP GOD

Gathering Music: Pass it On Kurt Kaiser

Band Prelude: Agnus Dei Michael W. Smith

Welcome, Announcements & Traditional Land Acknowledgment

Procession: O Holy Lord Don Salfarlie

Lighting the Christ Candle Louise Shin

Call to Worship:

One: In our Easter joy, we find a God of new starts and fresh growth.

All: In our Easter grace, we find a God of renewal and transformation.

One: In our Easter faith, we find a God to carry us from shadows and despair.

All: In our Easter peace, we find a God to nurture us in hope and love.

One: In our Easter lives, let us glorify God's name, now and forevermore.

All: In this moment, let us praise and worship God together. Hallelujah, Amen.

Greeting

Opening Prayer & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Praise and Worship 1: Grace Choir
10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord) J. Myrin & M. Redman

Prayer of Confession:

Holy One, Maker and Keeper of Creation, Life of Life, we praise you! We sing joy! Open us to the new life you are creating in us. Forgive us when we choose our ways instead of your ways. Forgive us when we let our world get so small that there is no room for strangers or new ways. Free us from the fear that keeps us stuck, but do it gently, Lord – we like our routines. Amen.

Silent Prayer: The Old Rugged Cross George Benard

Assurance of Pardon

Affirmation of Faith

Special Music: Keith Mayers
Burdens Are Lifted at Calvary John M. Moore

Time for Youth & Young at Heart
Born Again, There's Really Been a Change in Me A. Culverwell
Led by Kay Bingham

Children leave for Sunday School

TO DISCOVER THE WORD OF GOD FOR TODAY

Scripture Reading:

Colossians 3:9-11 & Genesis 3:1-13 James Splane

One: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon: Resurrected Life (3) Rev. Dr. Thomas Shin

TO RESPOND IN FAITH AND HOPE

Offering Invitation

Offertory: Choir Anthem
Walk Worthy of the Lord J. P. Williams & J. M. Martin

Offering Response: Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow
Voices United #541

Offertory Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Praise and Worship 2: Grace Choir
God of Grace and God of Glory Voices United #686

THE CHURCH SCATTERS TO LIVE ITS FAITH IN THE WORLD

Commissioning and Benediction
Go Now in Peace D. Besig & N. Price

Postlude: Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus/Arioso
W. J. Kirkpatrick/J. S. Bach