

SAINT MARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

GOD'S GRACE TRANSFORMING LIVES

EASTER DAY

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST

THE NINTH OF APRIL TWO-THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE

ELEVEN O'CLOCK

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Dear Saint Mark Family and Friends,

“Journeying with Jesus.” This was our theme throughout the season of Lent, and our journey with Him brings us to this joyous Easter Day. Throughout those forty days we walked alongside Him, learning about grace, compassion, priority, gratitude, mercy, and courage. Many of us engaged in different spiritual disciplines such as prayer, fasting, studying Scripture, meditation, and service. The journey was not always easy, for it required us to give of ourselves, to move out of our comfort zones, and to trust even when we could not see. From the responses and testimonies that have been shared, it has led us, however, to our better selves, and to an awareness of the presence of God, within, and all around us.

Every year, the season of Lent offers us the opportunity to participate in something bigger than ourselves, and this year one of the other ways we did that was through our “Milk Money” giving. The challenge was to let go of a habit we would have done regularly, and for each time we would have engaged in that habit to donate the equivalent to what it would have cost to one of the outreach missions we do. In the end we would bring our “Milk Money” cartons back to worship today, and put them at the altar. This year’s offering will go directly to:

- Breakfast
- Supper Club
- Midtown Neighborhood Outreach

Imagine your gift helping to provide a meal every Saturday and Wednesday to our neighbors who are unhoused and food insecure. Imagine your gift creating opportunities to engage our neighbors, and to offer them opportunities to connect with us and with each other through Easter Egg Hunts and Blessings of the Animals, music on our terrace, and so much more.

Please join us and give generously toward our Lenten offering today. If each of us gives \$60 (\$1.50/day for the 40 days of Lent), we will certainly make a tremendous impact on these ministries.

If you did not receive a “Milk Money” carton, you can still give, online at stmarkumc.org, or through the church’s app, or write a check labeled “Milk Money,” and put it in the offering plate.

Thank you for your generous support. Your generosity will transform the lives of those we serve and of our neighbors.

A Blessed and Transformative Easter!
Pastor Carolyn.



MORNING WORSHIP

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023 | 11:00 AM

THE GATHERING

THE GREETING

We welcome each of you to this service! No matter who you are or where you are from, you are a child of God, and you are welcome here!

THE PRELUDE

Fairest Lord Jesus


Dallas Blair

*THE HYMN OF PRAISE

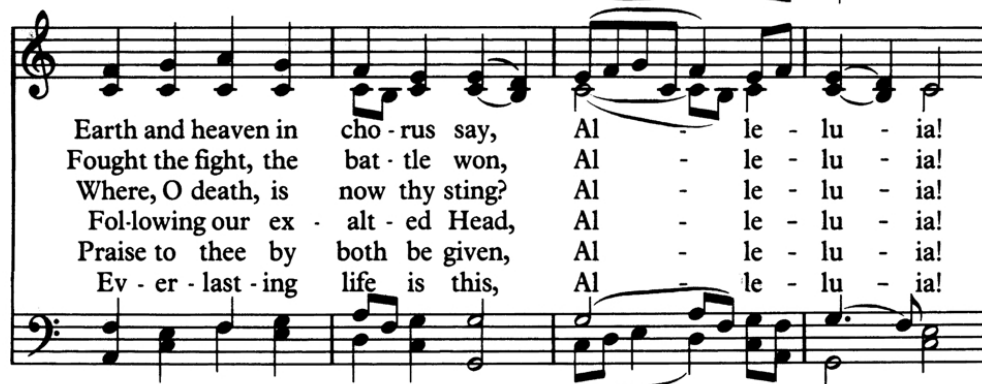
UMH NO.302 | *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

*Where indicated, please rise in body or spirit.


Christ the Lord Is Risen Today 302



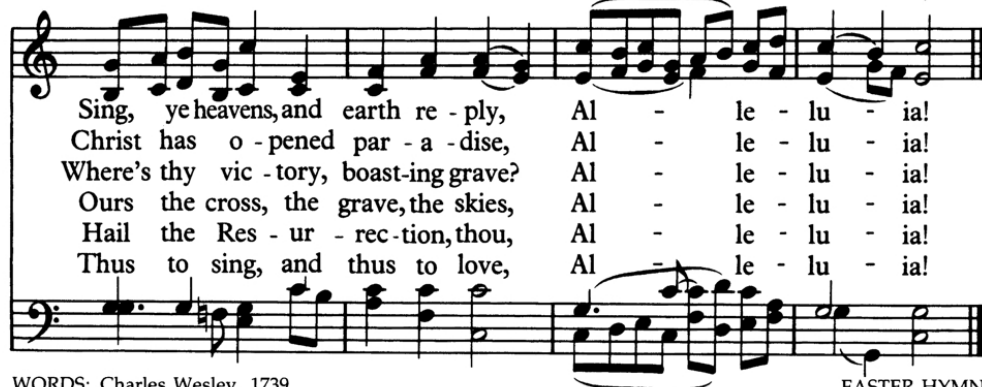
1. Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2. Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3. Lives a - gain our glo-rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!
 * 5. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Al - le - lu - ia!
 * 6. King of glo - ry, soul of bliss, Al - le - lu - ia!



Earth and heaven in cho - rus say, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol-lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise to thee by both be given, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ev - er - last - ing life is this, Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died our souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Made like him, like him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Thee we greet tri - um - phant now, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Thee to know, thy power to prove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where's thy vic - tory, boast-ing grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Hail the Res - ur - rec - tion, thou, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Thus to sing, and thus to love, Al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739
 MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

EASTER HYMN
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*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia.

Minister: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.

People: Those who believe in me, though they die, yet shall they live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

*GLORIA PATRI

All: Glory to the Creator, the Christ, the Holy Spirit, Three in One: as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

All are invited to greet each other in the name of Jesus Christ with the Passing of the Peace.

One: The Lord be with you.

Another: And also with you.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

ANTHEM

To the Lamb on the Throne

Dan Forrest

Ye servants of God, your Savior proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name; the name all victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.

"Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!" Let all cry aloud and honor the Son; the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.

God rules in the height, almighty to save; though hid from our sight, His presence we have. The great congregation His triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.

Then let us adore and give Him His right. All glory and pow'r, all wisdom and might; all honor and blessing with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love. Worthy the Lamb.

THE RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

THE CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF THE CONGREGATION

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Let us pray.

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: Our Father (God), 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

INVITATION TO THE OFFERTORY

PRAYER

ANTHEM

Hark, Ten Thousand Harps and Voices

Craig Courtney

Hark, ten thousand harps and voices sound the note of praise above!
Jesus reigns, and heav'n rejoices, Jesus reigns the God of Love. See, He
sits upon the throne, Jesus rules the world alone, Christ has died, Christ
is risen, Christ will come again. Allelu! Alleluia! Amen!

Jesus, hail! Whose glory brightens all above and gives it worth; Lord of life,
Thy smile enlightens, cheers and charms Thy saints on earth. When we
think of love like thine, Lord, we own it love divine. *Refrain*

Savior hasten Thine appearing, bring, O bring the glorious day when the
mighty summons hearing, Heav'n and earth shall pass away. Then with
all the saints we'll sing, "Glory, glory to our King!" *Refrain*

*DOXOLOGY

UMH NO. 94 | *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here
below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise
Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

THE NEW TESTAMENT READING *Colossians 3:1-4*

Therefore, if you were raised with Christ, look for the things that are above
where Christ is sitting at God's right side. Think about the things above and
not things on earth. You died, and your life is hidden with Christ in
God. When Christ, who is your life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed
with him in glory.

Minister: The Word of God for the people of God

People: Thanks be to God!

*THE HYMN OF PREPARATION

TFWS NO.2115 | *Christ Has Risen*

2115

Christ Has Risen

1. Christ has ris - en while earth slum - bers,
 2. Christ has ris - en for the peo - ple
 3. Christ has ris - en to com - pan - ion
 4. Christ has ris - en and for - ev - er

Christ has ris - en where hope died, as he said and
 whom he died to love and save; Christ has ris - en
 for - mer friends who fear the night, sens - ing loss and
 lives to chal - lenge and to change all whose lives are

as he prom - ised, as we doubt - ed
 for the wom - en bring - ing flowers to
 lim - i - ta - tion where their faith had
 messed or man - gled, all who find re -

and de - nied. Let the moon em - brace the bless - ing;
 grace his grave. Christ has ris - en for dis - ci - ples
 once burned bright. They be - moan what is no long - er,
 li - gion strange. Christ is ris - en, Christ is pres - ent

WORDS: John Bell (Matt. 28; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20-21; 1 Cor. 15:3-8)
 MUSIC: William Moore

HOLY MANNA
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*THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:1-12

Very early in the morning on the first day of the week, the women went to the tomb, bringing the fragrant spices they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus. They didn't know what to make of this. Suddenly, two men were standing beside them in gleaming bright clothing. The women were frightened and bowed their faces toward the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He isn't here, but has been raised. Remember what he told you while he was still in Galilee, that the Human One must be handed over to sinners, be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words. When they returned from the tomb, they reported all these things to the eleven and all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles. Their words struck the apostles as nonsense, and they didn't believe the women. But Peter ran to the tomb. When he bent over to look inside, he saw only the linen cloth. Then he returned home, wondering what had happened.

Minister: The Gospel of Our Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

The Resurrected Christ!

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy *catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* *universal*

SENDING FORTH

*THE HYMN OF DEDICATION

UMH NO.303 | *The Day of Resurrection*

1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
3. Now let the heavens be joy - ful! Let earth the song be - gin!

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light;
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is there - in!

From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
Let all things seen and un - seen their notes in glad - ness blend,

our Christ hath brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.
his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
for Christ the Lord hath ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

WORDS: John of Damascus; trans. by John Mason Neale, 1862
MUSIC: Henry T. Smart, 1835

LANCASHIRE
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During the season of Lent, Pastor Carolyn invited us to let go of a habit we would have done regularly throughout the week, and for each time we would have engaged in that habit donate equivalent to what it would have cost us. We invite you to bring your cartons or donations now to the Altar rail.

We will pray over them and give them directly to the designated areas of mission.

*PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata, from Symphony #5

Charles-Marie Widor

WELCOME | THINGS TO KNOW

Welcome! We are so glad you are worshipping with us today!



ATTENDANCE | Please sign the attendance pad located at the end of your row or scan this QR code to register your attendance and share prayer requests using our online Connection Card.

TITHES & OFFERINGS | Please place your offering in the plate during this morning's service, or use the Secure Giving App, or Saint Mark's assigned number for text donations is 844-703-1444 and the keyword is 'operating'. To give via text, text the word 'operating', a space, and the amount you would like to give. For example, to give \$25, text 844-703-1444 operating 25. Your generosity allows us to love, accept and serve the people of our community.

PRAYER REQUESTS | Let us pray for you. Prayer request cards are located in the pews. Please return your request to the offering plate or the prayer boxes in the Narthex.

RESTROOMS | Men's & Women's restrooms are located just outside the chapel. As you exit the sanctuary turn left. Once you reach the chapel, turn left then immediately right. The Women's restroom is the third door on the left. For the men's restroom, pass the Women's restroom and the Men's restroom is just around the corner. Gender Neutral & ADA restrooms are available. Please see an usher for assistance.

2023 Easter Lilies



Given by

Bill Cox
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Bruce Erwin
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Buddy Wofford
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Carolyn Bibb & Susan Yandel
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Chris & Paula Ward
David Hazen
Donna Rosenmayer
Eric Steverson
Eric Steverson
Greg Brown
Jerry Becker
Jerry Becker
Jerry Becker
Joel Fechter
John Klein
John Seeling
Joyce Norman
Katie Long
Kim & Paul Winslow
Kristen Settlemire
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Lee-Barber Family
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In Memory of

Jimmy Bodker
Ned & Charlotte Cox
Aud and Verna Erwin
Jerry Erwin
Sandra Ragan Erwin
Steed and Irene Ragan
Christina Wofford
Clifton Wofford
Nicholas Wofford
Ann Bibb
David Yandel
William Bibb
Bob Ward and Jeanette Haggard
My Mother, Carol Hazen
Jean and Don Davis
Dr. Darren Shoyer
Wade Steverson
Bob & May Brown
Jeffrey Brown
Lois King and Diane Hawkins
Louis and Alice Becker and Janis Hawkins
Carol Fechter
Walter William & Sylvia Cecilia Klein
Rosalie and Herbert Seeling
The best husband ever Eric S Norman
Deborah June Long
Paul's mother Ruth Winslow
Chloe Settlemire
J.B. and Beverly Hembree
Frank & Gail Barber
Ophery & Hazel Lee
Christopher Fletcher
Eric Norman
Floyd Barnett

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Robert L. Manning
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Roger Brown
Scott Dixon
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Sheila Stephens
Sheila Stephens
Sheila Stephens
Tommy Barron
Tommy Barron
Yin Xu & Brian Moore
Yin Xu & Brian Moore
Yin Xu-Moore
Yin Xu-Moore
Yin Xu-Moore
Yin Xu-Moore
Zeb Lau

In Memory of

PJ Walker
Raymond Rowe
Santiba Clark
Saundra Kelley
Woody Donaldson
Mark Crouch
Eddie Crumbly, Sr. & Eddie Crumbly, Jr.
Mary Woelper
James and Tessie Boulet
My parents, Jim & Teresa A. Gilleo
Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Manning, Jr.
Mr. Floyd Barnett
Mrs. Linda V. Manning
Ms. Kelly Brown
My daughter, Kelly
Dr. Richard Adicks and Jennifer Adicks Harnage
Lorenzo F. Gonzalez, Sr.
Mark S. Dixon
Mr. and Mrs. Denver Hawthorne
Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Dixon
Cleveland and Mattie Chandler
Jaison Matthew Chandler Hollis
Theresa Chandler Walton
Rob Terrell
Sandra Kelly
Anne Moore
Donald & Kay Moore
Dr. Leigh E. Conver
Dr. Wayne E. Oates
Jifa Xu
Yuanrui Tong
My parents, Rev Ding & Lilyc Lau

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Betty McDow
Bill Cox
Bill Top
Calvin Johnson
Carissa Evans
Chris and Paula Ward
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Eric Steverson
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Robert Gilleo
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Robert L. Manning
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Robert L. Manning
Roger Brown
Roger Brown

In Honor of

All those of you who have been dear to me for years. May Resurrection Sunday be a day of renewal for you.
Joel Black
Rev. Dr. Josh Noblitt
Barbara Johnson
Lillian L Evans
Diana Ward
Pam Buzbee and the SMUMC Cobb County at Home Group
Georgia Gonzalez
Johnny Sims
Penelope McCalley
Robert Gilleo
Sandra Steverson
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John Woody & Jason Lowery
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Ronnie Vaughn
Sherrie Graham
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Zeb Lau & Scott Van Derbeck

In Honor of

Phil Crumbly
Larry Graham
Megan Kramer
Bruce & Mitize Van Derbeck

You may collect your Easter lily after the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

To learn more about upcoming events, to subscribe to our weekly newsletter (the Remarks), see the church calendar, or give, visit stmarkumc.org.

REMINDER

Church Offices – CLOSED | Monday, April 10, 2023

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

*“We give thanks for all the God has already given you
and we welcome you in Christian love.”*



Katie Long



Luke Murphy



Julie Parmenter



Javar Parker



SAINT MARK UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

WELCOME STATEMENT

As a United Methodist Church, we are proud to be a congregation with open hearts, open minds, and open doors. We strive to be a congregation that embodies God's absolute love and hospitality, proclaiming Jesus as our savior and as our model of the ultimate embodiment of God's love. We believe that all persons are of sacred worth and dignity as part of God's good creation. Saint Mark United Methodist Church welcomes all persons into the full life and ministry of our congregation, regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, family, or socioeconomic status, physical or mental ability, or faith history.

Preaching:	Rev. Carolyn Stephens, Senior Pastor
Liturgists:	Rev. Steve Fazenbaker, Retired Elder North Georgia Annual Conference Kenny Smallhorn, Candler School of Theology Intern Sheila Stephens, Minister of Education and Spiritual Formation Meagan Williams, Assistant Director of Young Adult Ministry
Music:	Jon Easter, Director of Fine Arts and Organist Anne-Marie Cherry, Horn Mike Hurst, Trombone Ivan Feldman & Zihan Zhad, Trumpets Marshall Gagne, Tuba
Audio Visual:	Jay Drew, Eric Steverson, & Julie Tootle
Acolytes:	Amy and Izzy Herbert
Ushers:	Joel Black, Bob Brown, Joseph Hackett, Deana Hilton, Russell McKinney, & Head Usher, Buddy Wofford
Greeters:	Pam & Andy Davis

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