



ALKI UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

April 20, 2025

Order of Service

for the Worship of God

Easter Sunday

everything between grief & hope

Gathering Music

Prelude

Christ Is Risen

Gordon Young

Welcome and Land Acknowledgment

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen Indeed! Alleluia!

Sung Response

We are standing on holy ground
And I know that there
Are angels all around
Let us praise Jesus now
We are standing in His presence
On holy ground

Call to Worship

Keith T, Liturgist

(responsive)

In the dark before dawn,
we believe that God is alive.
In the midst of our grief,
we believe the Spirit is at work.
In the chaos of our broken world,
we believe that love is on the loose.
For no stone could keep God at bay,
and no violence could keep God's love from us.
So today we sing,
Alleluia!
For somewhere in between our belief and doubt,
hope lives.
Christ has died,
and Christ has risen. Thanks be to God!

Opening Song

#233, *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Time with Children

Special Music

He Is Risen

Craig Courtney

Alki UCC Community Choir

Scripture

Luke 24:1-12 Day T-L, Liturgist
New Revised Standard Version, updated edition

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

Sermon**Quiet Meditation**

Song #433, *In the Bulb There Is a Flower*

Prayers of the People**Time, Talent & Treasure****Offering Invitation**

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Offertory**Festive Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creatures here below.
Alleluia, Alleluia
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Closing Song #241, *Joy Dawned Again on Easter Day*

Benediction

Postlude Halle, halle, halle—lu—ja
Halle, halle, halle—lu—ja
Halle, halle, halle—lu—ja
Halleluja, hal-le-lu-ia!



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