



**Easter Sunday**  
**April 1, 2018**



**Westminster Presbyterian Church**

**“Glorifying God and Reflecting the  
Love of Jesus Christ to the World.”**

Prelude

“Lift High the Cross”

By Sydney Nicholson arr. by Phil Norris

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

**Congregation: Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

**Congregation: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

Opening Prayer

Praise Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

# 217 in the red hymnal

Prayer of Confession

*God of Life, you reveal yourself to us in ways and in places where we least expect to find you. Amidst the decay of death and the paralysis of fear, we discover your bold and living presence among us, and begin to see just how good the story of our salvation really is. Yet we turn away from you, refusing to acknowledge your gracious presence among us. We prefer clinging to our fears to embracing your hope; forgive us for turning away from you. Captivate us with the Good News of your sure salvation, through Christ Jesus, our Risen Lord. Cause our hearts to burn within us as we walk with him, that we may declare with assurance and live in confidence that all is well, and all shall be well.*

Pardon and the Peace

Prayer of Illumination

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 31: 1-6

(p. 733 in the Old Testament of the pew Bible)

Special Music

“Lift Your Voice and Sing, He Is Risen!”

By Lloyd Larson Sung by the Chancel Choir

New Testament Reading

Colossians 3: 1-4

(p. 201 in the New Testament of the pew Bible)

Blessing from the Children

“O Master Let Me Walk with Thee”

Westminster Junior Chimes Choir

**Gospel Lesson**                      Mark 16: 1-8  
(p. 54 in the New Testament of the pew Bible)

**Sermon**                                “Fools Only”

**\*Response Hymn**                “The Day of Resurrection”  
# 226 in the red hymnal

**The Offering**

Offertory

Piano and Organ Duet:            “Christ Is Risen!”  
-arr. by Ruth Elaine Schram

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

**Communion**

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

**The Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

*People: And also with you.*

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

*People: We lift them to the Lord.*

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

**Breaking of the Bread**

**Communion of the People**

**Unison Prayer after Communion**

*Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus the Christ, and you have fed us with this spiritual food in the Sacrament of his body and blood. Send us now into the world in peace and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with the gladness and singleness of heart, through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Sending Hymn**                      “He Lives”  
# 220 in the red hymnal

**Benediction**

**Postlude**                                “Praise Him with the Sound of the Trumpet”

**Ushers:** Hareld & Janet Dills

**Lay readers:** Don Wilson & Jean Bluhm

**Communion Servers:** Tony & Karen Reynolds, Randy Howlett & Michael Schieffer

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