#### EASTER EARLY SERVICE

March 31, 2024 8:00 a.m.

#### **PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

The Organ Prelude

Introit: # 60 "Morning Has Broken" v.1

#### \* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ has risen!

**People: Christ is risen indeed!** 

Leader: This is the day which God has made. Unison: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

#### PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION

O God, who was, is, and evermore shall be; to You belong all praise and glory. Angels in heaven announce the dawn of Your eternal order; trumpets herald Christ's victory as the stone is rolled away; our mouths are opened to proclaim Your mercies. We lift up our hearts to You, our Judge and Redeemer. In the name of our risen Lord, we pray. Amen.

\*Hymn #217 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

JLK

Responsive Reading: #667

Morning Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\* The Doxology

(# 625 Hymnal)

#### **GOD'S WORD**

Scripture: John 20:1-18

Luke 24: 23-35

Hymn #226 "The Day of Resurrection"

### **EASTER PROGRAM**

"The Easter Story"

\* Hymn #234 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

\* Benediction:

Leader: Go out in the world in peace.

People: Be of good courage and hold onto what is

good.

Leader: Return no one evil for evil.

Unison: Strengthen the fainthearted, support the weak, help the suffering, and honor all people.

\* Benediction response:

\*Hymn # 216 "Christ Arose," v. 1

\* Postlude

\* Offertory Prayer

<sup>\*</sup> Stand, if comfortably able

## The Cast

Temple Scribe
John
Max Gentry
Mary Magdalene
Thomas
Cleopas
Cleopas
Guard
Jesus
Violet Fiers
Max Gentry
Emma Steiger
Sam Mortensen
Rachel Manecke
Bodie Lambert
Elliot Fiers

Please join us for a light breakfast following the service downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Thanks to all who helped with the worship service and also those who helped prepare and serve the breakfast.



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