



WELCOME TO WEST SIDE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



CONNECT • GROW • SERVE

Easter • Communion Sunday • April 5, 2026

11:00 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

PRELUDE

Brass Ensemble:	Festive Easter Selections	Various
Westminster Bell Choir:	Bell Jubilee Resurrection Alleluias	Ellen Jane Lorenz Stephen Wurst

PROCESSION OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE	Nimrod (<i>from Enigma Variations</i>)	Edward Elgar arr. Deborah Holden-Holloway
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WELCOME/*CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen. **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia.**
 Before dawn broke, the women came to the tomb carrying sorrow.
But the stone was rolled away. Death had lost its grip.
Hope began to breathe again. Not as a private miracle, but as a promise for a people.
 So come, people of God. The risen Christ is already at work among us.
Risen Christ, breathe Your life into us.
Make us a people shaped by joy, courage, and love.
 Alleluia. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN #232	Jesus Christ Is Risen Today	EASTER HYMN
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CALL TO CONFESSION/PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of resurrection, we confess that we do not always live as Easter people.
 We cling to fear when You call us to courage.
 We settle for despair when You are bringing new life.
 We close our hearts when You invite us to love more deeply.
 Forgive us. Open our eyes to Your living hope.
 Renew our joy, restore our courage,
 and make us witnesses to Your resurrection life.
 Through Christ we pray.

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Holden-Holloway and Seigart



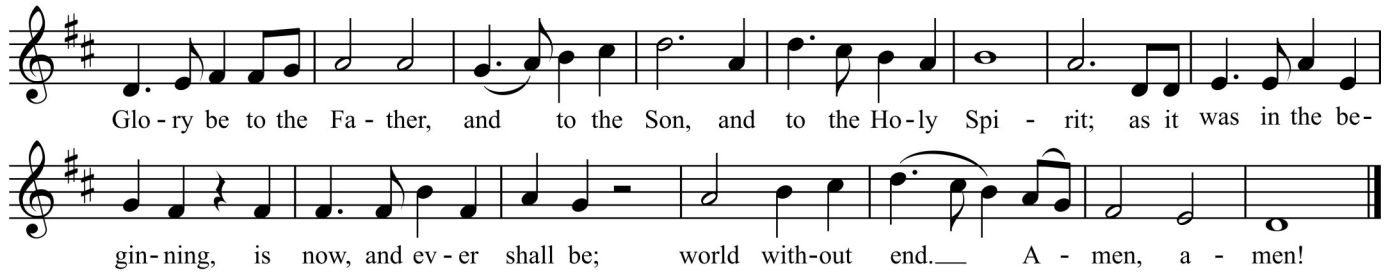
ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**Please stand*

WEST SIDE IS A WELCOMING CHURCH, ROOTED DEEPLY IN CHRIST, INVITING ALL TO CONNECT, GROW AND SERVE.

***GLORIA**

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Spi - rit; as it was in the be -
gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be; world with - out end. — A - men, a - men!

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

During the Passing of the Peace, children from K to 3rd grade will follow Pastor Christine to the Chapel.

SCRIPTURE READING

Gospel of John 20:1-18

ANTHEM

The Day of Resurrection

Steven Seigart

SCRIPTURE READING

I Peter 1:3-9

SERMON

Hope: The Virtue that Lives

Rev. Marc Oehler

***HYMN #251**

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

The young adult choir will sing verse 1 in Swahili before all join in to sing the entire hymn in English.

LENT MISSION CAMPAIGN

OFFERING/OFFERTORY

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OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Antiphon (from Five Mystical Songs)

Ralph Vaughan Williams

***DOXOLOGY (Glory to God #609)**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

***THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are You, O Lord our God:

You formed the earth in beauty and breathed life into Your creation.

When we lost our way, You did not abandon us,

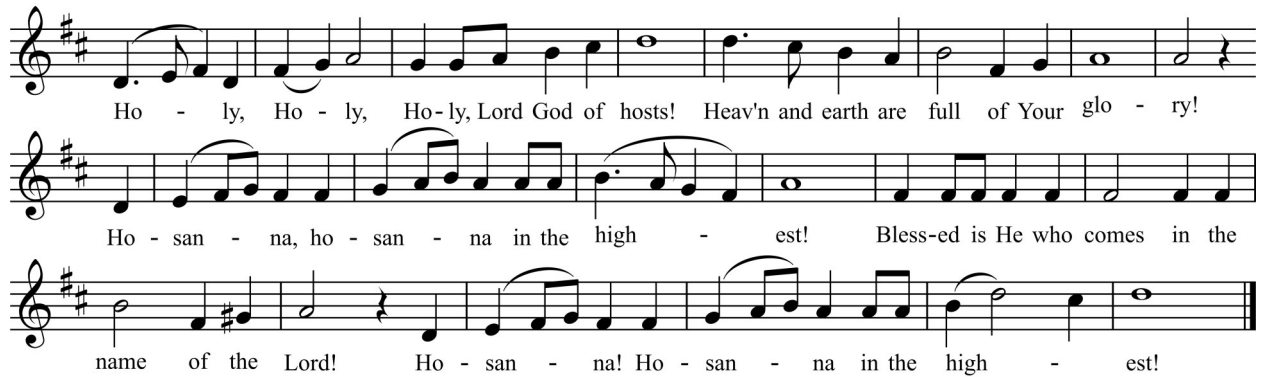
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but called us back through prophets and promise,
always seeking to renew Your people in love.

Therefore we praise You, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

***SANCTUS**

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Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Lord God of hosts! Heav'n and earth are full of Your glo - ry!
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is He who comes in the
name of the Lord! Ho - san - na! Ho - san - na in the high - est!

Blessed is Jesus Christ, our Savior: **In Him Your promise took flesh—
teaching, healing, forgiving, and loving even to the point of the cross.
Yet death could not contain Your life, for on the third day You raised Him from the grave,
opening a future no darkness can overcome.**

Remembering Your goodness and grace, we offer ourselves to You with gratitude as we share this joyful feast.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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Christ has died; Christ is ris - en; Christ will come a - gain!

Pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and cup; make us one in the body and blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Renew us by Your Spirit so that we may live as people of resurrection hope—
sustained by grace, strengthened for love, and sent into the world to serve.**

Through the Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, we bless You, God of glory, now and forever.

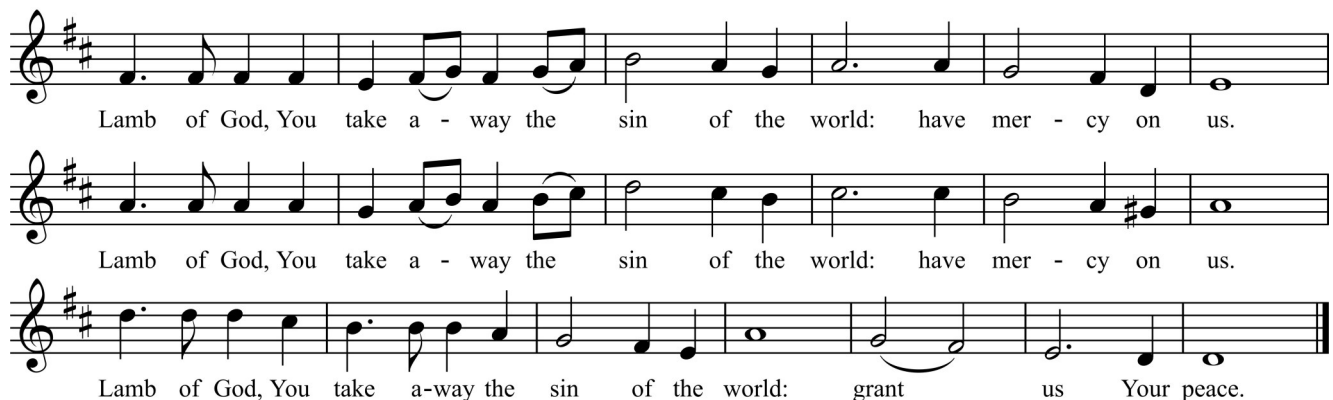


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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

AGNUS DEI

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Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us.
Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world: grant us Your peace.

RECEPTION OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION ANTHEM

How Can I Keep From Singing?
Young Adult Choir

arr. Robert Hugh

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN #248**

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

CHARGE AND BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Finale from Symphony No. 6

Charles-Marie Widor
arr. Holden-Holloway

Happy Easter!
Please join us for fellowship following the service.

PARTICIPANTS:

Rev. Marc Oehler
Rev. Christine Park
Rev. Liz Junod
Jamelia Davis, Seminarian
Dr. Steven Seigart, Minister of Music
Deborah Holden-Holloway, Assistant Director
Viviana Kaszubski, Assistant Director
Chancel Choir
Young Adult Choir
Westminster Bell Choir

INSTRUMENTALISTS:

Eve Locastro, Flute
BRASS ENSEMBLE: Roger Widicus, Michael Connor,
Albert Semler, Dan Montella, Alex Massuet, David Beck, Carolyn Kirby
PERCUSSION: Michael Klopp