

APRIL 12, 2026 | 8:00 A.M. CHAPEL COMMUNION SERVICE
IN THE WAY OF IONA ABBEY, SCOTLAND



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COMMUNION SERVICE
8:00 a.m., Cedarholm Chapel

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
This is the good news we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved:
Christ died for our sins,
was buried,
and was raised on the third day.

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
He appeared to Mary Magdalene,
to Peter, and to The Twelve,
and to many faithful witnesses.

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
At last, he comes to us —
Calling us by name,
breaking bread among us,
and sending us into the world
to bear witness to his Resurrection.

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Let us worship the Living God!

*** HYMN 255**

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

O FILII ET FILAE

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God of love and life abundant,
In raising Jesus Christ from the dead,
you have broken the power of sin and death
and opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Yet we confess that we are tempted, like the first disciples,
to be fearful and uncertain,
slow to believe the promise of new life,
quick to return to old patterns of sin and despair.

Forgive us, God of grace.
Breathe upon us your Holy Spirit,
that we may live as people of the Resurrection—

Fill us with Easter joy,
that we may proclaim with our lives
what we confess with our lips:

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, in the empty tomb,
God declares that nothing can separate us
from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Friends, believe the good news:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Rev. Jasmine Smart & Elder Calvin Ford

Paige Locke

THE APOSTLE'S 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 Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on 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 Ghost,
the holy catholic Church*,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:19-31 (NT, page 115)

Rev. Jasmine Smart

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Easter Joy & Peace

Rev. Jasmine Smart

INVITATION

THE THANKSGIVING

One: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.
Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE COMMUNION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Eternal God, we thank you that through Word and Sacrament you have given us your Son who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. Having been nourished at this table, strengthen us and send us out in the power of your Spirit with peace; and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

* HYMN 238

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABAEUS

BENEDICTION

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