



# RESURRECTION SUNDAY

APRIL 5, 2026

10:00 A.M.

INTROIT “Two Renaissance Easter Anthems” H. Hopson

PROCESSION WITH THE CROSS

PROCESSION HYMN (INSERT) “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today”

WORDS OF WELCOME The Pastor

JUBILATE RINGERS “Easter Medley”

◆CALL TO WORSHIP (responsive)

Leader: Come, people of God, even as you are—carrying hope, questions, and longing.

**People: We come seeking new life, looking for signs of hope.**

Leader: The stone has already been moved. God has gone ahead of you.

**People: We come expecting a miracle, trusting something can change.**

Leader: Christ is risen and meets us on the way.

**People: We come with fear and with joy, ready to follow.**

Leader: Go, for the risen Christ calls you by name and sends you forth.

**All: We worship the God of resurrection, who forms us to become part of the miracle.**

◆OPENING HYMN # 322 “Up from the Grave He Arose”

◆THE GOSPEL LESSON (p.32 NT) Matthew 28:1-10 (responsive)

◆HYMN OF ANTICIPATION # 304 “Easter People, Raise Your Voices”

CHILDREN’S HYMN “God is so Good”

CONVERSATION WITH THE CHILDREN & THE LORD’S PRAYER  
*(ushers collect green prayer cards)*

PROMISE KIDS BELL “He Lives”

MESSAGE “YOU ARE THE MIRACLE YOU CAME LOOKING FOR”

HYMN OF PREPARATION #621 (Tune: Old 100<sup>th</sup>)

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE #17-18

PASTORAL PRAYER

CHORAL ANTHEM “Run, Mary, Run” J. Martin

OFFERTORY

◆Doxology #94, Prayer of Dedication and Altar Call

◆CLOSING HYMN #310 “He Lives”

◆THE BENEDICTION

◆PASSING OF THE PEACE

◆Stand, if you are able

*Usher:* Holly Carey

*Ambassador:* Jim Jackson

*Member Outreach:* Elizabeth Thomas

*Visual Arts Creator:* Carl Strand

*Visual Arts Engineer:* Mark Gilleylen

*Livestream Tech:* Natalie Missakian

*Counters:* Carol Hotz, Michele Bloom

*Prayer Cards:* Kathy Esposito

*Lector:* The Children

*Communion Stewards:* The Children

## *Announcements*

Please join us after worship for an **Easter Egg Hunt!** All children are invited to participate.

**Trustees** will be meeting on Tuesday, 4/7, at 7:00 p.m. in the Faithful Thomas Room

We have a **YouTube channel** and encourage you to check it out. Check the links on our church's website, [www.cheshireumc.com](http://www.cheshireumc.com).

## *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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
forever. Amen.

## *Welcome!*

We are a Welcoming and Reconciling congregation. Rooted in God's love, we affirm the dignity and worth of every person and seek to live Christ's call to compassion, justice, healing, and wholeness. We welcome people of all races, ages, genders, sexual orientations, gender identities and expressions, nationalities, abilities, family structures, and social or economic backgrounds into the full life and leadership of the church. We believe we can love alike even when we do not think alike, and we invite all to share in worship, ministry, fellowship, and the sacraments as we grow together in faith and love.

## *Who We Are . . .*

We are a church family that welcomes all, regardless of political views or Christian perspectives, because we belong to the one family of God. Though we may not always agree, we commit to loving, forgiving, honoring our differences, and serving together as we live out the Gospel of God's love revealed in Jesus Christ. Guided by Micah 6:8, we strive to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with our God.