

**+ GATHERING AROUND THE WORD +**

**WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

✦ **PEACE**

**PRELUDE**

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The bread of life opens our eyes.

**The word of life opens our ears.**

The risen one shows us God's own brokenness,

**and by those wounds we are healed.**

Peace be with you.

**And also with you.**

✦ **HYMN #610**

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

The One who calls us to repent, hears us.

**In trust that our Creator knows us through and through,**

**let us open our hearts to the healing of God's forgiveness.**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

[unison]

**Good and gracious God,  
we are creatures of dust,  
ignorant of your revelation,  
misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us,  
needing forgiveness.**

**We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us.**

**We beg your mercy for our fallen world.**

**We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus.**

**Be our solace in this life and always.**

**We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete.**

**Forgive us and lead us.**

[continue in silence, personal confession]

**DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Hear the good news! Who is in a position to condemn?

**Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,**

**Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.**

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.

**The old life has gone; a new life has begun.**

**Know that we are forgiven and be at peace. Amen.**

✦ **GLORIA PATRI #581**

“Glory Be To the Father”

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**+ PROCLAIMING THE WORD +**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING**

Acts 3:12-19

✦ **HYMN #776**

“O God, Be Gracious”

✦ **GOSPEL**

Luke 24: 36b-48

**SERMON**

**+ RESPONDING TO THE WORD +**

- ✦ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**  
Hymn #481

Apostles' Creed  
"I Believe in God the Father"

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

The Lord's Prayer [page 35]

Hear us, O God, your mercy is great.

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERING AND OFFERTORY**

- ✦ **DOXOLOGY #606**

- ✦ **PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**+ BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD +**

- ✦ **HYMN #233**

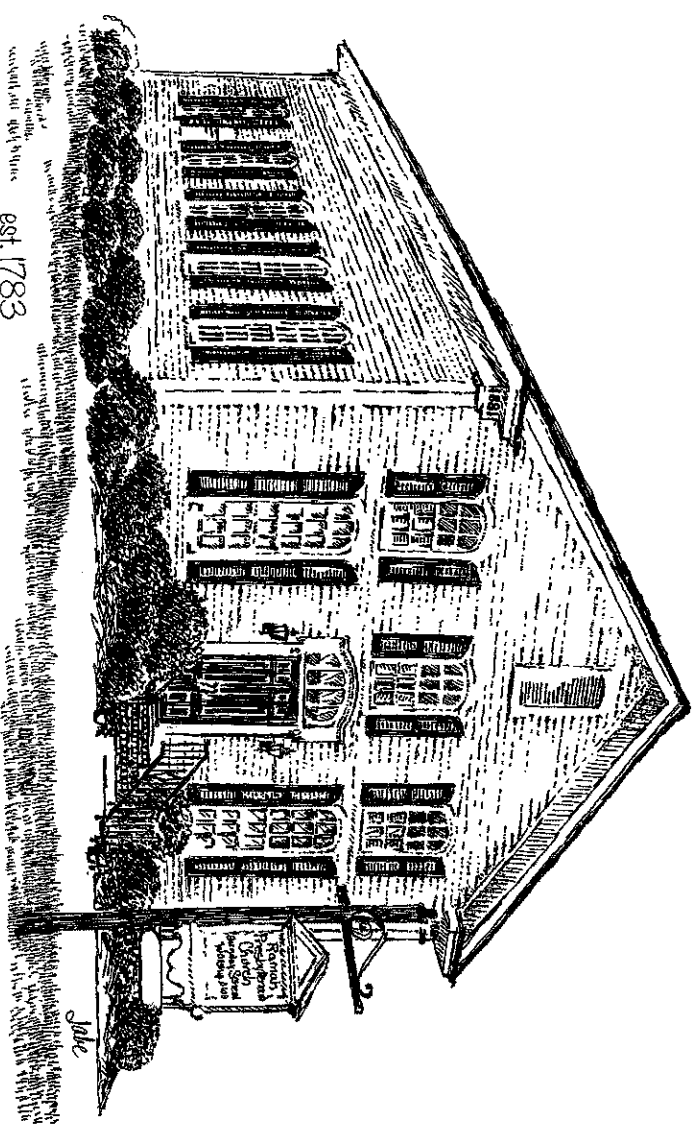
"The Day of Resurrection!"

- ✦ **BENEDICTION**

- ✦ **POSTLUDE**

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✦ PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE



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**Sunday, April 15, 2018**  
**3rd Sunday of Easter**

**Worship Leadership:**  
The Reverend Brian Copeland  
The Director of Music: Tim Ward  
Nursery: Karen Helms & Dianne Dulovitz  
Children's Church: Christine Senn