

Peace United Church of Christ



Worship Resources for Easter Sunday April 9, 2023

Please have the elements for Communion prepared before you view the service.
Blessed Easter from Peace UCC!

Welcome

Hear the Easter Gospel John 20: 1-18

Easter Hymn “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

Prayer of Praise

*God of resurrection, we have come through the quiet darkness
to gather on this Easter morning. The air is full of promise and possibility.
Open our eyes to recognize the risen One!
Open our hearts to greet the risen Christ!
Send us into the day filled with the love and light of new life.
We pray in the name of the one who call us by name, Jesus. Amen*

Meditation

Prayers of the People/The Prayer of Our Savior (debts and debtors)

The Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Communion Prayer

Breaking the Bread/Blessing the Cup

Sharing the Meal

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*God of resurrection,
we thank you for the presence of the Risen One
this day, and for the gift of new life in this sacred meal.
As the good news is shared by us in the days to come,
grant us grace and courage.
May we live in the power and love of the Risen One!
Alleluia! Amen!*

Sending Song “In the Garden”

I come to the garden alone,
While the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear,
The Son of God discloses.

Refrain:

And He walks with me, and He talks with me,
And He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there,
None other has ever known.

He speaks, and the sound of His voice
Is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me
Within my heart is ringing. [Refrain]

Benediction & Sending Forth

