

Traditional Worship Service

9 and 10:30: Why Be a
Christian?

April 20, 2025

Questions To God

Length
in mins

5:00 Prelude

1:30 Live Stream Startup

3:00 Introit

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5:00 Welcome & Announcements

1:00 Call To Worship

Liturgist: Pastor Cody Anderson

Leader: We wonder with Mary and the other women—where is Jesus?

People: We are told Jesus has conquered death and is no longer in a tomb.

Leader: We wonder—should we tell the news of a risen Christ?

People: Yes! Joyfully share the good news!

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

0:00 *Christ The Lord Is Risen Today*

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with Choir, PUMC Handbells, Brass

1:00 Unison Prayer

All: Whether in a whisper, in a question, in a song, in a sigh, we will tell your Story, for it is our story now.

Christ is risen! Amen!

3:30 Special Music

"Christ Is Arisen," Choir

Trumpet I: Aaron Olson

Trumpet II: Aiden Williams

Trumpet III: August Rivero

5:00 A Time for Children

Noelle Allison, Director of Children and Families

Indicate special props, placement and movement if known.

1:00 Scripture Readings

Mark 16:1-8

5:00 Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

1:00 Offering Our Gifts to The Lord - Breakthrough Prayer

Offering Introduction:

Jesus - alive from the dead - transforms us! As we are open to this transformation, we become people who are more loving, joyful, patient, peaceful, kind, generous, faithful, gentle, and self-controlled. May your giving today reflect this transformation! Give as you are able, as people ready and on their way to God-given transformation.

Offertory Prayer:

Risen Lord, thank you for taking our fears and transforming them into wonder! Bless our gifts today to transform the world for your sake and in your name. Make us bold to declare that new life is available to all. Amen!

4:00 Offertory

"Because He Lives," Elizabeth Gore-Stanley and Gene Olvera

1:00 *Doxology*

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in mins**

20:00 Message

Title: Why Be a Christian?
Pastor Laura Rainwater
Scripture: Galatians 5:22-26

0:00 Prayer of Confession

All: Living God, thank you for the ultimate gift of resurrection – yours and ours – that we celebrate with joy this day. Thank you for the path of transformation you have created for us. We admit that we so need this transformation. So, we bring all of our brokenness to you today, all the ways we have turned away from you and our neighbors. We put it all to rest in the tomb with the great hope and assurance that when the stone is rolled away, it will be there no longer. Instead, we will find ourselves, risen with you and renewed by your Spirit. Make us bold to share your Good News with those we encounter. Amen!

0:00 Words of Assurance

Leader: He arose! He arose! Hallelujah, Christ arose! And with him, the promise that you will be raised to new life – forgiven and free! Thanks be to God.

0:00 *Up From The Grave He Arose*

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1:00 Benediction

2:00 Postlude

51:30
