

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *(Unison)*

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

OFFERING *(includes One Great Hour of Sharing)*

OFFERTORY SELECTION **FUPCC CHOIR**
"Marvelous" by Walter Hawkins

***DOXOLOGY**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

CLOSING HYMN #275 (AA) **"He Lives"**

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

RESPONSE **"Sevenfold Amen"**

POSTUDE

FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Resurrection of the Lord

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"Helping Others See Jesus' Grace In Me"

Order of Worship

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day
**Congregation Stands/Rise in spirit*

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***INTROIT #174 (AA) "We Have Come Into This House"**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

LEADER: Jesus Christ is risen today!

PEOPLE: Alleluia!

LEADER: Our triumphant and holy day!

PEOPLE: Alleluia!

LEADER: Praise our God, ye heavenly host!

ALL: Alleluia!

***OPENING HYMN #171 (AA).. "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"**

SELECTION FUPCC Handbell Choir
"Give Thanks" by Henry Smith

*** PRAYER OF PRAISE AND ADORATION (Unison)**

Gracious and loving God, on this Resurrection Sunday morning, we lift our hearts in awe and gratitude. As Christ rose from the tomb, You are making all things new restoring creation, healing hearts, and bringing life out of death. We praise You for the hope and joy of resurrection, and for signs of renewal all around us. May the power of Jesus Christ fill us and overflow into a world longing for peace. In His risen name we pray, Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

You call us to hope, Savior God, but we despair. You call us to work for peace, but we doubt its power. You call us to community, but we judge and shun. Transform us, Holy One, by the joy of Christ resurrection. Let us celebrate this day as a new beginning and a new life. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

**SPECIAL SELECTION
FUPCC Choir & FUPCC Liturgical Dancers
"Don't Cry" by Kirk Franklin**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Rev. Delton H. Farmer

SCRIPTURE READINGS Rev. Delton H. Farmer

OLD TESTAMENT: Psalm 118:22-24

NEW TESTAMENT: John 20:1, 11-18

SERMON Rev. Delton H. Farmer
"The Stone Has Been Removed: What's Holding You Back?"

INVITATIONAL HYMN # 345 (AA)..... "Just As I Am"

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE /LORD'S PRAYER