We who hold (prayer continues) before us have declared:

Holy, holy, hope-breathing God, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God.

Hosanna in the highest.

And we celebrate (prayer continues) Thus making our living a source of renewal and hope.

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

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- * **BENEDICTION**
- * CHORAL BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE Trumpet Voluntary

* You are invited to stand if able.

Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

April 16 ~ Easter Sunday

Ask an usher for audio hearing units. ~ Please silence your cell phones. Childcare is available for children 1st grade and younger in the upstairs childcare room.



WELCOME

Dupuis/Slater

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive) The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE Christ the Lord Is Risen Today arr. Dobrinski

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive) Alleluia! Christ is risen! **The whole creation rejoices; the birds sing from every tree.** Alleluia! Christ is in our midst! **Babies babble with sounds of joy;** words cannot express our overflowing hearts. Alleluia! Christ is our light forever! Breathing peace on us in these moments; surrounding us with grace and hope. * HYMN 104

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

All that is good and beautiful are the generous gifts from your heart of love. All the grace we will ever need is held out to us in your hands of hope. We have nothing apart from you, God of Easter.

By your living example, we can set aside our fears to live as God's faithful children. By your compassion, we can stand in the midst of the broken, and share healing with them. We can do nothing apart from you, Lover of our souls.

You are the Breath which gives us the gifts and lives to pour out for others. You are the composer of songs of joy which echo throughout the universe. We are nothing apart from you, Spirit of wonder. Amen

* HYMN 579

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Children are invited forward

HYMN 294

Wherever I May Wander vs 2

Throughout the whole creation I see God's loving care for everyone in every land, God's children everywhere. Wherever I may wander, wherever I may be, I'm certain of my Maker's love; God's care is over me.

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

lsaiah 25:6-8 John 20:1-18

SERMON

Bread for the Journey: The Bread of Life

WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM	Easter Fanfare	Wagner

 * HYMN Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one. Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE JOYFUL FEAST OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Communion is served by Intinction. Please come forward by the aisle closest to the piano, move to a server, select a generous piece of bread, dip it in the juice and commune. Return to your seats using the other aisle.

INVITATION

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Healing for Bill Vogel, Joyce Van Cura, Julie Messner (mother-inlaw of Stephanie Messner), and Rachel Nouye.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

When our days become over-busy and our spirits are weary **May we be** flooded with a downpour of encouragement! When we take things for granted and gratitude goes to sleep... **May a new song be put on our tongues.**

When life's abrasive pressures fray us, loosing our hold on you May we be told again about your care of sparrows, and lilies of the field, and the Parent who knows our every need. It is right and (prayer continues) We give thanks, O Holy One. We give thanks.