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**Easter Sunday - April 17, 2022**  
**Resurrection Sunday**

## Welcome Announcements

*Please take a quiet moment to prepare your heart for worship.*

**Prelude** “*Easter with the Pennsylvania Moravians*”\* Gaul  
\*People who have visited the Pennsylvania Moravians, have been enthralled with their Easter Daybreak Services. Just before dawn at Lititz, Nazareth, or Emaus, the village band goes to the cemetery. The town rises and follows, the band playing the old German Hymns. H.G.

## GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

### \*Call to Worship

L: Run from fear and darkness! Hope is on the move!

P: **Run to tell the world, Christ is risen!**

L: Do not be afraid, Jesus has conquered death!

P: **We can proclaim with great confidence that God’s love rules.**

L: Christ is risen!

P: **CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!**

All: Amen

\*Hymn “*The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done*” RED #161

### Call to Confession

#### Prayer of Confession

We have to admit it, Lord, that we had our doubts. We have heard the Resurrection story and for so many years it has remained just a nice story. But this time it is different. This time we have walked the path with Christ. We have journeyed through the wilderness and valleys, to the mountain tops to the courtyard, the garden and the cross. Now you bring us to the empty tomb and to the joyous news of the truth of Christ. Forgive us when we so easily doubt the truth of his resurrection. Forgive us when we feel we have to have absolute proof of everything. You conquered death and sin, you brought us to new life. We praise your holy name and sing our unending song of hope and thanksgiving. Christ the Lord, is risen today. Alleluia. Amen.

Time of silence for personal reflection.

## **Assurance of Pardon**

### **The Peace**

L: Peace be with you.

P: And also with you.

**\*Gloria Patri**      *“Glory Be to the Father”*      **PH #579**

**Chancel Choir** *“Forth in Thy Name, Hallelujah”*

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

Prayer for Illumination

Time with Young Disciples

Robert Lackie

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 65:17-25

New Testament Reading

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Sermon

*“Surprised by Hope”*

Robert Lackie

Luke 24:1-12

## **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

### **\*Affirmation of Faith: The Nicene Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.**

