

## First United Methodist Church of Gilbert

Serving, Giving, Welcoming, Growing in the likeness of Christ

April 9, 2023
Easter Sunday—6:00am—Sunrise Service

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### Welcome to the Sunrise Service!

Service at 6:00 am \*please stand as you are able

#### **Ringing of the Easter Bell**

**Opening Song** "Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)" Praise Band #CCLI Song # 5638022 John Wilbur Chapman | Mark Hall | Michael Bleecker © 2009 Curb Songs

Welcome Pastor Rick Casebolt and Adriana Hernandez

#### \*Call to Worship

Leader: The dark night is behind us; the morning light erased all

darkness and doubt.

People: All that remains is the empty tomb and the wrappings of

pain and death.

Leader: The Lord has risen; he's no longer among the dead.

People: He lives. The Lord has risen!

Leader: Yes, the Lord lives! The new morning fills our hearts with joy and hope.

All: Let us then worship together, extinguishing all doubt and fear with

joyful songs and an unbreakable faith in our Redeemer.

\*Song "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" vs. 1-4 #302

UM Hymnal #302 WORDS: Charles Wesley MUSIC: Lyra Davidica, 1708

#### \*Opening Prayer

How awesome are your ways, O God! With thanksgiving, we offer praise for the work you brought in Christ. In gladness, we thank you for hiding us deeply into his sacred life. We bless you for raising us in and with Jesus Christ, giving us the power to proclaim with Mary Magdalene, the Risen One, not only with our voices, but with our lives. In Jesus' name, we pray, amen.

#### **Song of Praise**

"Living Hope"

CCLI Song # 7106807 Brian Johnson | Phil Wickham © Phil Wickham Music (Fair Trade Music) et al.

**Scripture Reading** 

Matthew 28:1-10

Message

Pastor Rick Casebolt

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Lord's Prayer

**Song of Response** 

"Because He Lives" vs. 1

CCLI Song # 16880 Words and Music by Gloria and William J. Gaither

Offering

\*Doxology

#### \*Offering Prayer

Mighty God of Resurrection and Redemption, we offer our gifts alongside our alleluias! We long for Easter to fill us and soak into our bones like those who were confronted in a graveyard by angels announcing, "He is not here, he is risen!"

May we run from here, not walk, because we and every corner of the world so desperately need to hear the news the angels share! Before we speak a word, may others see in our faces that the world has been turned upside down. You win; death loses. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

\*Closing Song

"He Lives" vs. 1-3

#310

UM Hymnal #310 WORDS and MUSIC: Alfred H. Ackley

\*Blessing

## Thank you for joining our service this morning!

If you have any questions or comments please contact us at connection@gilbertumc.org

CLERGY: Pastor Rick Casebolt and Pastor Adriana Hernandez
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Randy Van Der Pol



# Pancake Breakfast on Easter Sunday All are Welcome!

BSA Scouting is hosting Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 9 from 7 -11am in the Activity Center

All families and friends are welcome – you don't have to be a member of the Church or Scouting unit.

Donations are accepted and help Scouts attend Summer Camp and purchase camping equipment for Troops 88 and 3088.



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