

### Celebration of Holy Communion

As we come to the Lord's table, let us come with a spirit of humility and penitence.

**Compassionate God, have mercy on us we pray.**

Let us examine ourselves: our thoughts, our actions, our motives, and our attitudes toward others.

**O Holy God, have mercy and forgive us our shortcomings.**

Help us to remember our responsibility to our families and our neighbors, our stewardship to you and the work you have given to our hands.

**O Living God, we stand in need of your grace, strength, and mercy.**

As we eat the bread, which represents Christ's body, which is the True and Living Bread, open our eyes to recognize the intimacy that you yearn to share with us.

**O Loving God, teach us to love you above all else.**

As we drink the cup, which represent Christ's blood shed for us, we thank you for the new covenant. "Love ye one another," which is written on our hearts. Let us rejoice because our names are written in heaven.

**Tender Father and Mother, may your great sacrifice of redeeming love renew us for loving service and sacrifice for others.**

May this Lord's supper energize every area of our lives and enable us to transcend our circumstances, our inadequacies, and our enemies.

**God who sees us, touch and empower us so that our lives will be renewed.**

We praise you, O God, who make us your own people through the death and resurrection of your Son, our Lord.

**Abide in us, Savior and Redeemer. Fill us with life-giving power of your Spirit, now and forever.#**

Prayer.

Sharing of the Elements.....Deacons

Parting Blessings and Benediction.....Pastor Dunn

### Prayer List

Ethel Warr  
Edith Carroll  
Doris Clark  
Valeria Jenkins

Leona G. Hill  
Evelyn Griffin  
Mary Waddy  
Carl Bumbry, Jr.



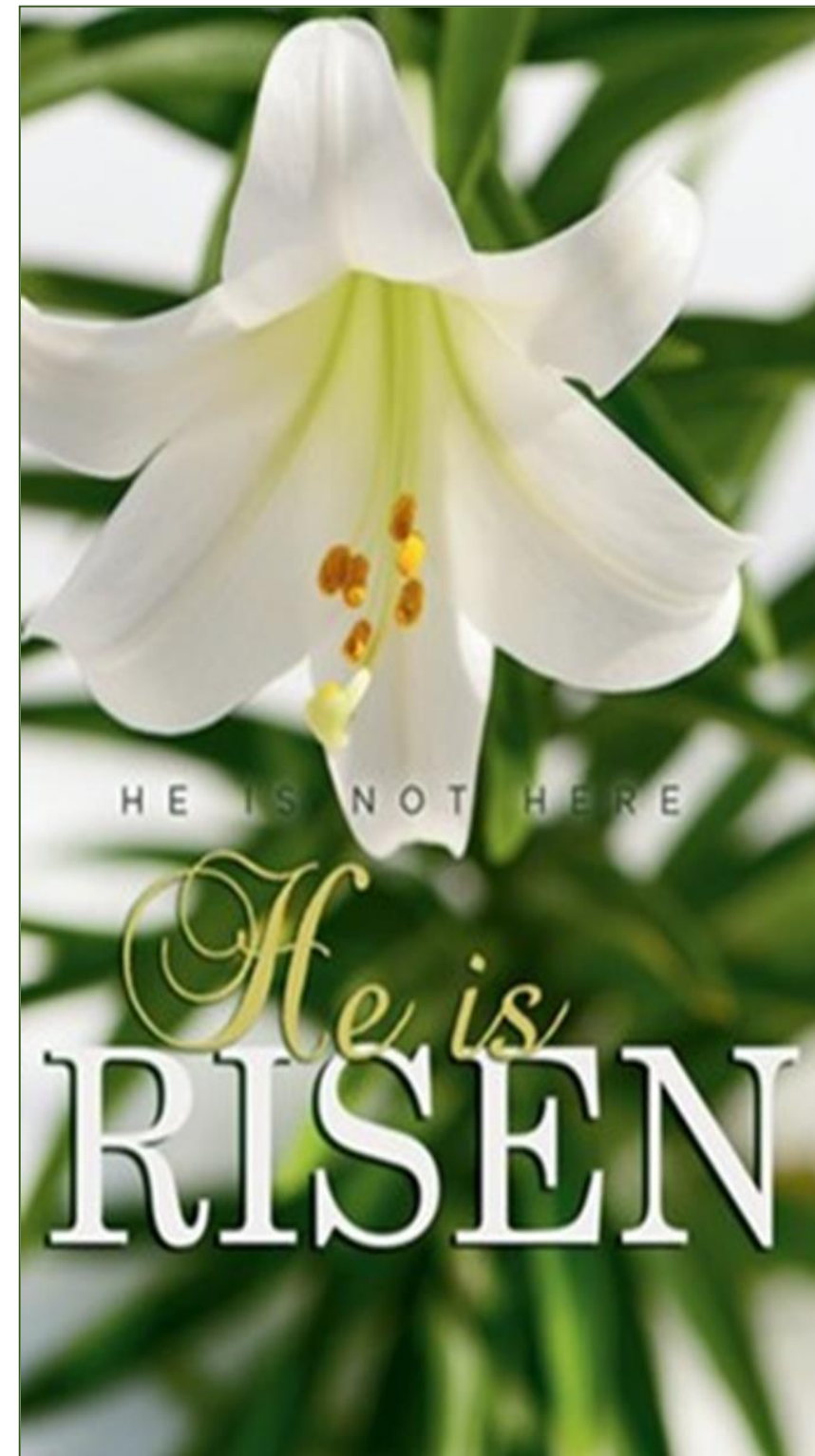
### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Monday Morning Prayer Line: @ 6:30 a.m., dial 1-302-202-1118, passcode 902825.

Prayer Service and Bible Study: Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

*\*re: Worship, Stephen Fearing \*\*Ministry Matters, Nancy C. Townley First Congregational Church of Greenwich, Conn African American Lectionary \*\*\*Reformed Worship, Ed Baker, #The Old Black Church*

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West Hyattsville Baptist Church  
Sunday, April 4, 2021  
11:00 A. M.

Resurrection Sunday

Worship Leader.....Pastor Emmett L. Dunn

Call to Worship\*

Christ the Lord is risen today!

**Alleluia**

Raise your joys and triumphs high!

**Alleluia**

Love's redeeming work is done!

**Alleluia**

Christ has opened paradise!

**Alleluia! Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

**Prayer of Invocation \*\***

God of new life, we gather this morning to welcome you as you have welcomed us. We come to sing songs of praise for the new life we find in you. We come to experience the resurrected Christ through the hearing of His stories, and the joy we find in greeting one another. Our prayer is this, Join Us! Join us on the journey to the cross. Guide us! Guide us as we seek to live as Christ has taught us! Love us! As we seek to share the perfect love that you give to us. Hear us! Hear us as we pray together the prayer that Christ has taught us...

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your Kingdom come. Your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For yours is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Hymn of Proclamation....."He Lives".....#119

Responsive Reading.....Dea. Dorothy Stancell

*The Resurrection of Jesus #571*

Welcome to our Guests.....Pastor  
Dunn

Selection.....Cho  
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Second Reading.....Dea. Alvin Harris  
*Mark 16:1-8*

**Affirmation of Faith: Easter\*\*\***

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that Jesus died on the cross, his hands and feet held to the wood by metal spikes. I believe that his body was pierced by the soldier's spear, and even the sun was darkened as all creation grieved the death of God's eternal Son.

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that Jesus' body was placed in a borrowed tomb, where it lay for three days. I believe that the power of God, his heavenly Father, brought life to his dead body and rolled the stone away from the entrance so all might see that Jesus was no longer there.

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that the unbelievable story of the women was true, just as the angel had announced: "He is not here; he has risen, just as he said."

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that there is no force in the universe that could stop, hinder, contain, or successfully oppose the risen Savior, my Lord, Jesus Christ. No nails are long enough to hold him to any cross unless he wills it to be so. No tomb can be sealed so tightly—by Pilate or Herod, or Caesar himself. Were there an army of a thousand men guarding the

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that Jesus appeared to eleven discouraged, defeated, demoralized disciples in a room where the doors were locked and all hope was lost. I believe that when he showed them his nail-pierced hands and his spear-pierced side, they fell at his feet and cried out, "My Lord and my God!" I believe that in the days that followed, hundreds saw him alive. All their doubt was removed; their fear was gone. What could the world do to them? Jesus was alive.

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that Jesus lives today—as powerfully and perfectly alive as he was two thousand years ago, and for all time past and yet to come. I believe he empowers his followers to follow in his footsteps, fight the forces of evil, and find their peace and joy and eternal hope in him.

**I believe in the resurrection.** I believe that Jesus calls women, men, and children to join him in changing the world, one heart and life at a time, starting with their own. One day soon, he will come again on the clouds of heaven with an army of celestial warriors whose numbers are beyond counting and whose power is beyond imagining. Then Jesus will establish his eternal kingdom, where there will be no more soldiers or spears or graves or battles or bleeding wounds or crosses. I believe all this because...**I believe in the resurrection.**

Intercessory Prayer.....Pastor Dunn

Worship through Dance.....Allissa Brice

Special Music.....Yatta Lymas

Sermon.....Pastor Dunn

Invitation to Discipleship

We Offer Our Gifts.....Pastor Dunn