<u>April 18, 2021</u>

Welcome

### \*Come People of the Risen King

# \*Call to Worship

(based on Psalm 133, John 20: 29; 1 John 1: 5)
This is the message we have heard from Him and now celebrate with each other:
Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed.
Blessed are you who have not seen him, yet you truly believe and trust him.
See how good and delightful it is when we gather together as one.

# \*Low in the Grave

\*God's greeting

\*We greet each other

Prayer of Confession (based on John 20: 24-29; Luke 24:36-43)

Wondrous God, we confess that at times our doubts and fears override our hope and faith. Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of Your love and instead fall into despair and gloom.

Lift up our spirits, Lord, and help us to remember the promise of new life here and now, not just the hope of resurrection for the future.

We give thanks for Your Son, Jesus the Christ, who continues to offer us new life, who continues to turn us around and upside down, who continues to break down the walls of death in our own life.

Forgive us, restore us and renew us. In the name of our risen Savior, Jesus the Christ, we pray. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon

The tomb is empty. The stone is rolled away. There is no darkness now, only light. **God continues to renew us and restore us.** 

We are forgiven, loved and restored, receiving the gift and promise of new life and resurrection now. Let us go and share the wondrous news of God's love in Jesus the Christ. **Amen.** 

### \*Blessed Assurance

Congregational Prayer \*Children's Blessing Scripture Reading (John 20:24-31) Sermon - No Doubt \*By Faith \*The Lamb Has Overcome \*God's Parting Blessing \*We Receive Your Blessing