

# Ocean Shores United Methodist Church



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## March 31, 2023 - 10:30 am Easter "Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors"

### Welcome

Celebration of Birthdays/Anniversaries

**Prelude** 

Up from the Grave He Arose

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is Risen! All: He is Risen, Indeed!

Leader: A new Age has dawned. Death can no longer end us,

for Jesus is Risen!

All: He is Risen, Indeed!

Leader: Jesus is Risen, and with him rise our faith, our hope

and joy, for Christ is Risen!

All: He is Risen, Indeed! Amen! Alleluia!

\*Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today pg 302

Psalm of the Day (responsive) Psalm 118:1-2,14-24 pg 839

### **Invocation**

Loving God, we gather on the morning of your Resurrection. We have mourned, believing that our sin took you away from us. Now, our tears of sorrow are not barriers to you, and you call us to join you in freedom. May we rejoice in your victory as if it is our own, for it *is* ours in you. Alleluia!

**Hymn** 

Majesty pg 176

**Proclaiming the Gospel** John 20:1-18

**Meditation** 

"Mark 16:1-8 ... What if?"

**Hymn** 

In the Garden pg 314

**The Prayers of the People** Our Joys and Concerns

**Pastoral Prayer** 

The Lord's Prayer

**Invitation To Offering** 

## **The Offertory**

Leader: God of great gifts and miraculous surprises, on this Resurrection morning we give you thanks! We joyfully present our tithes and offerings to You. In directing their use, challenge us to see beyond our own expectations. Help us discover the transformative power of the Living Jesus to radically reshape our world. In the Holy name of our risen Savior we pray. Amen! Alleluia.

\*Doxology

**UMH 94** 

\*Blessing and Benediction

**Sending Forth Hymn** 

He Lives pg 310

**Announcements** 

**Postlude** Alleluia

<sup>\*</sup> Please stand

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