

## Bellflower UMC

April 17, 2022

Resurrection Of The Lord

# GREETINGS<sup>1</sup>

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

## PRELUDE & CANDLE LIGHTING

### \* 🎵 HYMN

**302 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today**

**308 Thine Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son**

### 📖 NT READING - Acts 10:34-43

### 🙏 OPENING PRAYER<sup>2</sup>

**Living God, on this most joyous day**

**we offer our thanks and praise to You;**

**creator of heaven and earth,**

**creator and lover of all humanity.**

**We bless You for creating the whole world,**

**for Your promises to Your people Israel,**

**and for the life we know in Jesus Christ Your Son.**

**Even when we turned away from You,**

**You never rejected us.**

**You spoke words of mercy and love**

**through the prophets;**

**promising to swallow up death forever**

**and to host a banquet for all people;**

**a feast of life-giving sustenance.**

**We praise you for Christ Jesus,**

**Your Word Incarnate made Flesh.**

**Born of Mary, He shares our life.**

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<sup>1</sup> TBD - Cover art by John Stuart, [www.stushieart.com](http://www.stushieart.com).

<sup>2</sup> *Easter 3A worship elements*, <http://pilgrimwr.unitingchurch.org.au/>

**Eating with sinners, He welcomes us.  
Leading His followers, He guides us.  
Dying on the cross, He rescues us.  
Risen from the dead, He gives new life.  
Most resilient God, Source of all that is eternally raised  
up, we give you thanks for your unspeakable gift of  
Christ Jesus. Amen.**

 **PSALM - Psalm 118:14-29 (UMH 839)**


**CHILDREN'S SERMON**


 **NICENE CREED (UMH880)**

 **GLORIA PATRI**

**Glory be to the Father  
and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now,  
and ever shall be,  
world without end.**

**Amen. Amen.**

 **OT READING - Isaiah 65:17-25**

 **GOSPEL - John 20:1-18**

**TESTIMONY**

 **HYMN**

**364 Because He Lives**

## CONFESSION & PARDON<sup>3</sup>

As we come to this table with the risen Jesus, we are witnesses to the resurrection! Let us forsake all that holds us back from this joy as we offer our confession.

**Jesus our Host,**

**we yearn for your Communion**

**we yearn for the hope of new life;**

**we yearn to meet you here.**

**And yet, despite your invitation,**

**we find ourselves stumbling on our way.**

**Forgive us.**

**Hear now in silence**

**the confessions of your people.**

*(Silence)*

*(Leader to people):* Hear the good news!

“All the prophets testify about him

that everyone who believes in him

receives forgiveness of sins through his name!”

In the name of the risen Christ, you are forgiven!

*(People to leader):* **In the name of the risen Christ,  
you are forgiven!**

*(All):* **Glory to God! Amen.**

## OFFERING & PEACE

\*  **DOXOLOGY - #95**

## HOLY COMMUNION

## CHARGE & BLESSING<sup>4</sup>

We have seen the Lord this day!

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<sup>4</sup> Ibid.

Now go into the world to spread the good news.

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

May you be blessed and may you be a blessing, in the  
name of the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

**Amen.**

 **SENDING FORTH (UMH177)**

**He is Lord, he is Lord!**

**He is risen from the dead and he is Lord!**

**Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord. (2x)**

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