

THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD
AT SWIFT CHURCH
Easter Sunday

GATHERING

WELCOME

CHORAL HYMN "Our God Reigns"

PRELUDE "Majesty"

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Susan Pichoff

Leader: Rejoice and be glad:

People: This is the day that the Lord has made!

Leader: Rejoice and be glad:

People: Heaven and earth will never be the same!

Leader: Rejoice and be glad:

People: Christ is risen! Alleluia

***HYMN #217** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Silent Prayer

Leader: Gracious God, we have heard the good news:
how on the third day Christ rose again.

People: Still, we look for the living among the dead.

Leader: You rolled away the stone from the tomb.

People: Still, we look for the living among the dead.

Leader: You sent messengers to proclaim the gospel.

People: Still, we look for the living among the dead.

**please stand as you are able*

Leader: You were faithful to your promise; you have
done wonderful things
People: Still, we look for the living among the dead.

Silent Confession "Cleanse Me"

Leader: Forgive us Lord, we pray. Teach us to trust
your promise and to believe the good news of
salvation:

People: Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead.
Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: When Christ comes...good news of the gospel
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

***RESPONSE #335** "Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of His glory and grace.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Isaiah 65:17-25

SECOND READING John 20:1-8

RESPONSE

Leader: This is the word of God, for the people of
God.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Believe!"
Reverend Alexandra Hutson

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN #227** "Thine Is the Glory"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

(From the Brief Statement of Faith)

**In life and in death we belong to God. Through the
grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in
the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom
alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus
Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed
the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives, teaching by word and
deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and
binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and
believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for
blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain and giving his
life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus
from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking
the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death
to life eternal. With believers in every time and
place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can
separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus
our Lord. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN #429** "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory "The Day of Resurrection"

***RESPONSE #625** "Doxology"
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him All creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

SENDING

***HYMN #228** "Rejoice the Lord Is King"

***TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD**

***CHARGE**

Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you?
People: Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim Christ's love and grace through serving and nurturing body, mind and soul.

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE "He Lives"

Music is licensed through CCLI.

Please join us in the fellowship hall for Easter Brunch immediately following worship!



Remember to have your picture taken this Sunday for the new church directory!

THIS WEEK AT SWIFT

Sunday, April 20

Sunday School, 9:00am
Worship in the Sanctuary, 10:00am

Monday, April 21

Session Meeting, 4:30pm

Wednesday, April 23

Prayer Group, 9:00am
Food Pantry, 10:00–11:00am
Butterfly Girls and Guys Night Out
6:00pm, Tin Top Restaurant

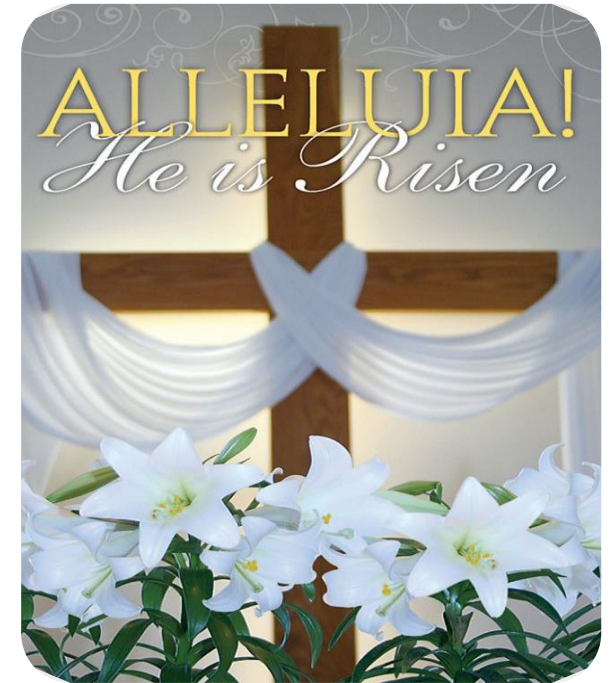
Thursday, April 22

Ladies Bible Study, 5:00pm

Welcome to
Swift Church

April 20, 2025

Striving to bring God joy!



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