

Easter, April 9, 2023

10:00am

PRELUDE

WELCOME

**\*INTROIT #247 *The Day of Resurrection***

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Giver of new life, we come this morning with our alleluias, our banners, with flowers and song.

**All: We come to worship in beauty and truth because we have faith that Christ is raised from the dead**

Leader: Because we have hope that the resurrection will enter into each of our lives and transform them

**All: Because, through Christ's spirit, we have come to love one another.**

Leader: Be present with us always as daystar, miracle and mystery

**All: and as the tender hands of grace. Alleluia. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: What do you see?

FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

**\*HYMN #242 *In the Garden***

PASTORAL PRAYER

**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Colossians 3:1-4, p. 957

ANTHEM "Glorious Day"

SCRIPTURE READING: John 20:1-18, pp. 882-883

SERMON *A Persistent, Tidy, Recruiting, Nagging Miracle*

**\*HYMN #243 *Christ is Alive!***

MINISTRY OF SHARING

**\*DOXOLOGY: #809 "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."**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

**\*CLOSING HYMN #234 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today***

\*BENEDICTION

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: #839 "God Be With You Till We Meet Again; by his counsels guide, uphold you, with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again."**

POSTLUDE

\*Please stand in body or spirit

*Wishing you and your loved ones a very Happy Easter!*

## **WELCOME**

God instilled in all of us a desire for a life of meaning and purpose. That quest can be full of surprises – share your journey with fellow travelers at the Brookline Community Church.

Please stay for coffee hour after the worship service, or fill out a pew card and we'll be in touch!

### **Participants**

Reverend Catherine A. Merrill Minister

Kevin Aitken

Lay Reader

Musicians:

Peter Bretschneider

Sanjay Cherian

Jon King

Megan King

Jocelyn Jones

John Panto

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Worship: Sept – June: 10:00am; July & August: 9:00am