

Easter, March 31, 2024

10:00am

PRELUDE

ANTHEM "Breathe"

WELCOME & Right Hand of Fellowship

**\*INTROIT #258 *Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise***

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Beloved Redeemer, we come to you in the morning of the resurrection. We expect to find you among the tombs and the grave clothes of our world,

**All: but you are alive.**

Leader: Sin cannot hold you

**All: Death cannot bind you**

Leader: And just as we have been weeping and mourning that you have been taken from us,

**All: you meet us in the garden of new life. You are risen indeed.**

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

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

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: Who got transformed?

**FLOWERING OF THE CROSS**

**\*HYMN #353 *For the Beauty of the Earth***

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: Isaiah 25:6-9, p. 568

ANTHEM "Oceans"

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

SERMON *The Lessons Never End*

**\*HYMN #45 *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing***

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 FOR THE GIFTS WE'VE BEEN GIVEN

**\*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

John Panto      Lay Reader

### **Musicians:**

Peter Bretschneider, Sanjay Cherian, Jon King, Megan King, Jocelyn Jones, and John Panto.

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