

Easter Contemporary Worship Service
Message: Rise Up
UMH – United Methodist Hymnal
***Stand in body or in spirit**

Gathering	Hallelujah Christ is Risen	Praise Band
Welcome/Announcements		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
*Easter Greeting		
Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!		
People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!		
*Centering Song	<i>In Christ Alone</i>	Praise Band
*Opening Prayer		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Pastor: Let us pray.		
People: Creator of Life,		
in raising Christ Jesus up from the grave,		
Your love proved victorious.		
You opened for us the way		
to eternal and abundant life.		
As we raise our alleluias on this day,		
raise us up!		
Renew our lives!		
Resurrect our hopes		
in Your love, grace, and power		
at work in the world		
that we may be faithful witnesses		
to Your steadfast, liberating love. AMEN.		
Children's Moment		Linda Biscardo
Easter Prayers		Sarah Chambers
Offering Song	<i>Cornerstone</i>	Praise Band
Prayer of Thanksgiving		Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Gospel Reading	Matthew 28:1-10	Karen Coltrin
Message	<i>Rise Up</i>	Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller
Invitation to Communion		
Prayer of Confession		See Screen
Assurance and Pardon		See Screen
*The Great Thanksgiving		UMH 13 See Screen
*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 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.**

***Breaking of the Bread**

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer Following Communion

**Eternal God,
we give You thanks for this holy mystery
in which You have given Yourself to us.
Grant that we may go into the world
in the strength of Your Spirit,
to give ourselves to others
in the name of Jesus Christ our Risen Lord and Savior. AMEN.**

***Closing Song**

Living Hope

Praise Band

***Benediction**

Rev. Melissa Porter-Miller

Postlude

Christ is Risen (Reprise)

Praise Band