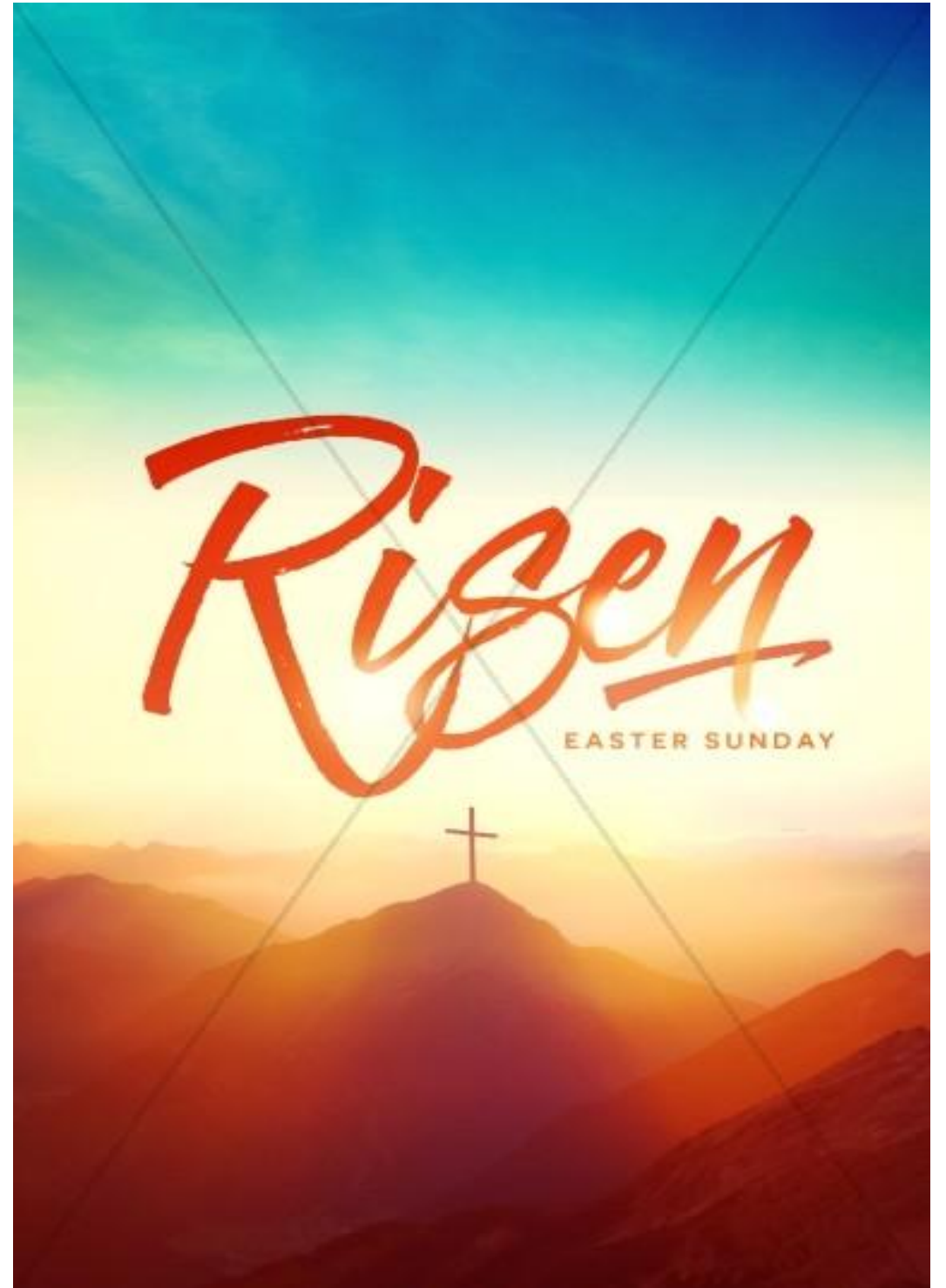




He has
given us a new
birth into a living hope
through the resurrection
of Jesus Christ
from the dead.

1 Peter 1:3, NRSV



Easter Sunrise Service

April 5, 2026

We gather in silence and darkness

P: Who have you come looking for?

C: We have come looking for Jesus. He died on Friday, and they laid Him in the tomb.

P: He is not here. He has risen!

C: He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.

P: Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Opening Hymn: *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* ELW #365

Confession and Forgiveness ELW p. 94

Opening Prayer

Gracious God, you journeyed with us during this season of Lent. You have been with us to help us identify our sins, have assured us of your complete forgiveness, and have called us to be Easter people. Just as you charged Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome to go and tell Jesus' disciples of Jesus' resurrection, help us to go and share the news of Jesus' Resurrection with other people, so they can know the good news that every power of this world has been defeated, including death itself. Through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, we pray. Amen.

Readings Darrin Van Meter

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Psalm 118:21-27

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the sixteenth chapter

C: Glory to you, Oh, Lord.

John 20:1-18

P: This is the Resurrection Gospel of our Lord

C: Praise to you, Oh, Risen Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: *Now All the Vault of Heav'n Resounds* ELW #367

Offering

Offering Hymn: *Christ is Risen! Alleluia* ELW #382

Offertory Prayer

Great and wonderful God, in thanksgiving for what you have done for us through your Son's Resurrection, we give the resources you have given to us back to you. We ask you to use what we have given to reach out and share the good news of new life with all those who need to hear and experience a Resurrection in their lives. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Confession of Faith:

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won [delivered] me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, in order that I may be [wholly] His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, even as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.

Prayers of Intercession

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

Distribution of Holy Communion

Distribution Hymn: *Thine is the Glory* ELW #376

Post-Communion Blessing

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

P: As people of the Resurrection, go forth in amazement, looking to share the good news with the world. Amen.

Closing Hymn: *The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done* ELW #366