

WELCOME to Worship at Grove Church
April 20, 2025
Easter Sunday



Assisting in Worship

Liturgist – Betty Traver

Greeters – Richard & Joanna Nichols

Ushers – Brad Hanford, Jim Schmidt and
Rick Wilson

Grove Stream Team

Coffee Fellowship – Chris & Jenna Gatchel

GROVE KIDS

Kids of all ages are welcome in worship!

We welcome families with children to use our **Grace Space** in the front of the sanctuary. This purposely designed area allows space for children to fully participate in worship without being confined to a pew. There is ample seating for parents to be nearby to connect with their children as needed.

We also have a Nursery available for infants and toddlers.

LISTEN

PRELUDE *Fantasia for Easter* arr. Albin C. Whitworth

PASTORAL GREETING & WELCOME Pastor Stacy

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Christ Is Risen, Alleluia* arr. Albin C. Whitworth
– You are invited to spend this time preparing your heart for worship

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (Psalm 118, Acts 10)
Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made.
All: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!
Liturgist: This is the day of resurrection.
All: Let us rejoice and celebrate!
Pastor: This is Easter Sunday.
All: Alleluia! Alleluia!

***OPENING HYMN** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* UMH No. 302

***LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE**
Pastor Eva: The risen Savior shines upon you!
People: **Alleluia and Amen!**

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *Up from the Grave He Arose* UMH No. 322

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

SEEK

A MESSAGE FOR ALL OF GOD'S CHILDREN Pastor Eva
(Children of all ages are invited to come to the front)

SCRIPTURE READING: John 20:1-18
Liturgist: This is the Word of the Lord!
People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM *"Christ Is Risen"* Arr. Fettke and Grassi
Tabernacle Choir

SERMON *Stay Close* Pastor Stacy

RESPOND

MORNING PRAYER with THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain* arr. Wilbur Held
***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH No. 95

GATHERING AROUND THE TABLE FOR COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

RECEIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

PREPARING TO LISTEN IN THE WORLD

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE & FELLOWSHIP

***CLOSING HYMN** *He Lives* UMH No. 310

***DEACON'S CHARGE**

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING SONG** *They Will Know We are Christians by our Love* (vs. 2) TFWS #2223

***POSTLUDE** *Hallelujah Chorus* Tabernacle Choir

*-please stand in body or in spirit

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If you have been moved by your experience in worship today and would like to learn more about faith in Christ or get connected at Grove, our Pastors would love to talk with you. Please call the church office to schedule a meeting or email PastorStacy@GroveChurch.org.



Scan the QR Code to go to our **Grove Connect Page**. Here you can fill out a connect form, *give online*, and see *all of the events and activities coming up here at Grove Church!*

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