

**Worship Service
Easter Services
April 20, 2024
8:30 and 11:00am Services**



Prelude

**“The Day of Resurrection”
Easter Brass**

arr. Nelhybel

Welcome:

Gretel Roberts

- **Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed!**

Welcome to Lake Highlands UMC! Every Sunday is someone's first Sunday and we are glad you are here today!

- Welcome to those of you who are here in person and those who are worshipping with us online!
- If you are new, and want to learn more about LHUMC, please look for someone in the narthex wearing a blue “How Can I Help You?” name tag if you have questions about our church.
- We encourage all of you to take a few moments to check in on our website www.lhumc.com/onlineworship or click on our QR code



Announcements:

Andy Roberts

- **Spring and Summer Groups** The best way to get connected at LHUMC is by finding a group. We have groups for children, youth, and adults. We have groups that meet on Sunday mornings and throughout the week! Find the right group for you today on our website! <https://www.lhumc.com/groups>
- Join us on May 18th as we hear a Holocaust Survival story from **RON SCHWARZ** entitled "The Quiet Strength of Resilience: A Holocaust Survival Story". Sunday, May 18 5:00-6:30pm. RSVP on our website! <https://www.lhumc.com/ron-schwarz>
- Enjoy a night out with your significant other for a **DATE NIGHT** on May 10th from 5:00-8:30pm. \$15/child. All proceeds go to support youth missions! Register today! <https://www.lhumc.com/date-night>

All these announcements and more you can find on www.lhumc.com

Choral Call to Worship

"Easter Fanfare"

Ferguson

Christ is risen! Christ the Lord is risen from the tomb. Alleluia!

Opening Hymn #302 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1 Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing ye heavens and earth reply: Alleluia!

2 Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!

3 Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the sky, Alleluia!

Opening Prayer:

Rocky Dwyer

Creator of Life, in raising Christ Jesus up, through, out of, and beyond the chains of death, You opened for us the way to external and abundant life. May our Alleluias on this day float high above the ceiling of what we think we know and transcend to the heaven of what we believe - and thus live. Raise us up! Renew our lives! Resurrect our dreams! Through Jesus Christ our Living Savior! Amen.

Affirmation of Faith:

Rocky Dwyer

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Children's Sermon

Stephanie Campoverde

Ministry Moment:

Rocky Dwyer

For all of our guests here today:

Lake Highlands UMC is a vibrant, multi-generational community of Christ followers building the kingdom of God on earth—beginning in the Lake Highlands neighborhood and beyond.

We welcome all people into a relationship with Jesus Christ.

We form people into mature followers of Jesus Christ.

We equip people to share their gifts in the Church and the World.

We partner with organizations that help us impact the world, to make the world more like heaven.

In short, we are a church that loves God, loves people, and follows Jesus.

There is a place for you here.

At this time we will invite our ushers forward as we continue to serve God through our tithes and offerings! You can also give on www.lhumc.com/give. Thanks in advance for your generosity.

Offertory Prayer

Rocky Dwyer

Anthem

“Alleluia, Christ is Alive”

Raney

Why do you seek the living among the dead?

The stone has been rolled away as the angel said.

Why are you weeping, when Christ his promise keeping,

Has opened heaven’s door?

He’s alive. He has risen. The tomb is empty. He’s alive.

He has risen, to reign forevermore. He is alive!

Sing “Alleluia, Christ is risen.”

Sing a hymn of praise to God on high.

The power of sin has been overcome,

the ransom paid by the holy Son.

Blameless, forgiven, the dead are raised to life!

Praise to the Lord of earth and heaven.

Christ arose and opened paradise.

On this day of resurrection,

Join the jubilant celebration.

Alleluia, Christ is alive!

Alleluia, Alleluia, hearts to heaven and voices raise.

Sing to God a joyful hymn, a hymn of gladness,
Sing to God a hymn, a hymn of praise!

Sing "Alleluia, Christ is risen."
Sing a hymn of praise to God on high.
Now love's redeeming work is done.
He fought the fight, now the battle's won.
Blessed Redeemer, the King of love and light!
Praise to the Lord of earth and heaven.
Christ arose and opened paradise.
From the grave he rose, victorious.
Praises ring from the heavenly chorus,
"Alleluia, Christ is alive. Christ is alive."
Sing "Alleluia, Christ is risen."
Christ is alive, he's alive, Christ is alive!

Doxology:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer:

Pastor Andy Roberts

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:

Luke 24:1-12

Pastor Andy Roberts

Message: Crazy Talk Pastor Andy Roberts

Service of Holy Communion Pastor Andy Roberts

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP Easter Brass play's "Lasst Uns Ferren" arr. by Nelhybel

Invitation to Discipleship

Closing Hymn: #327 Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

2 Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high,
Who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

4 Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
Those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Benediction Pastor Andy Roberts

Postlude "Ellacombe" arr. Nelhybel
Easter Brass