

Woman, Weeping in the Garden 241

1 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, who has
 2 Wom - an, wait - ing in the gar - den, af - ter
 3 Wom - an, walk - ing in the gar - den, Je - sus
 4 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, weep for
 5 Wom - an, danc - ing from the gar - den, find the

pushed the stone a - side? Who has tak - en Je - sus'
 men have come and gone, af - ter an - gels give their
 takes you by sur - prise; when the gar - dener calls you,
 joy, for you have seen Je - sus, the Mes - si - ah,
 oth - ers and pro - claim Christ is ris - en as he

bod - y, Je - sus Christ the cru - ci - fied?
 wit - ness, si - lent - ly you watch the dawn.
 "Mar - y!" faith and joy meet in your eyes.
 ris - en; Christ, of whom the proph - ets dream.
 prom - ised; tell the world he knew your name!

This hymn focuses on Mary Magdalene, the first witness to Christ's Resurrection (John 20:1-18). Her frame of mind turns from sorrow and apprehension to joy and proclamation in the middle stanza when the supposed gardener calls her by name, and she recognizes the risen Christ.

Welcome to Riverside Presbyterian Church

April 1, 2018 ~ Easter Sunday

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CHIMING THE HOUR
 WELCOME & SHARING OUR JOYS AND PRAYER CONCERNS

WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP

* PASSING OF THE PEACE (Responsive)
 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

PRELUDE & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

arr. Raney

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)
 Jesus lives! He lives in the hearts and minds of all who love him.

This is the way we will remember him!
 On this day called Easter, we celebrate the indestructible love
 and wisdom that Jesus showed to the world.

We will gladly follow in his Way!
 We will remember Jesus as we live our lives.

**We will remember him as we forgive,
 and not hold on to hurts.**

We will remember Jesus as we live our lives.
We will remember him as we give until it makes a difference.
 We will remember Jesus as we live our lives.

**We will remember him as we feed the hungry,
shelter the homeless and befriend the lonely.**

We will remember Jesus as we live our lives.

**We will remember his faith in a God
who loves, forgives and restores our hope.**

* HYMN 104

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

* PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison)

**O God of all our days, we come this morning with eager
anticipation. We seek to know you. Open our hearts, that we
might experience you anew. Open our lives, that we may be
faithful witnesses to your resurrection. May we, with shouts of
joy, proclaim your steadfast, liberating love to all people,
everywhere. Amen.**

* HYMN

In the Bulb There Is a Flower

**In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity; in our doubt
there is believing; in our life, eternity. In our death, a
resurrection; at the last a victory, unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.**

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Children are invited forward

HYMN OF RESPONSE 302 (refrain)

I Danced in the Morning

**Dance, then wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance
said He, and I'll lead you all, wherever you may be, and I'll lead
you all in the dance, said He.**

PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

SCRIPTURE

John 20:1-18

MEDITATION

Mary Magdalene

* HYMN

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WE RESPOND IN FAITH

INVITATION TO OFFER OUR GIFTS

ANTHEM

Gloria in excelsis from "Gloria"

Vivaldi

* HYMN *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow with Alleluias*
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE JOYFUL FEAST OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

Communion is open to all and is served by intinction. Please come forward, tear off a piece of bread, dip it in the chalice and commune before returning to your seat.

INVITATION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Responsive)

God is the heart of life.

And we are the heartbeat.

May our hearts be filled with thanks and praise and songs of joy.

We rejoice in the miracle of life and delight in our participation.

We give thanks (*prayer continues*) with all those who love you throughout the ages we praise you saying:

**Holy, holy, holy, resurrection God, heaven and earth are full of
your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of God.

Hosanna in the highest.

It is here at this Table (*prayer continues*)

**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 debts, as
we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

COMMUNION OF GOD'S PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

* HYMN 113

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

* BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Allegretto from "Water Music"

Handel/Wolff