

**Message**  
**"Why I Believe in Resurrection!"**  
**by Pastor Peter Choi**

**Joys and Concerns**

Happy Birthday to Val Kauk, Phyllis Burnham, and  
Bailee Fries.

Happy Anniversary to Rhodell & Joyce Jameson—70 yrs.  
(2615 W 11th St Apt 202, Kearney, NE 68845)

Prayer List: Marjorie Hultquist, Larry Anderson, Fred Will,  
Merlin Beahm and Kent Verbeck.

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Offertory Music**

**"Now the Green Blade Riseth" by Bell Choir**

**"Doxology      "We Give Thee But Thine Own"**

**Offertory Prayer**

Mighty God of Resurrection and Redemption, we offer our gifts alongside our alleluias! We long for Easter to fill us and soak into our bones like those who were confronted in a graveyard by angels announcing, "He is not here. He is risen!" May we run from here, not walk, because we and every corner of the world so desperately need to hear the news the angels share! You win; death loses. In the name of the risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

**Holy Communion**

**Closing Hymn      "Because He Lives"      UMH#364**

**Benediction**

You are people of the resurrection, followers of Jesus Christ, who is no longer dead but alive among us. Go and share the good news with others. Christ is indeed risen! Hallelujah.

**Sending Forth**

**Postlude**

**Glen Haselbarth**



**Prelude**

**Glen Haselbarth**

**Welcome and Announcements**

1. Thank you all who have served our church and community for Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. With your support and participation, we can go forward and make our church brighter.
2. There will be No Bible study and Confirmation class for two weeks since Pastor Peter visits South Korea to celebrate his father's retirement.
3. Easter Cards are still available in the back. Donations will go towards mission trips.
4. The volunteers of Scripture Reading, Usher and Greeter, and Refreshment are in the back. Please write your name on the sheet in the back if you want to serve our church and ministry.
5. UMW will meet this Wednesday, April 12 at 9:30am.
6. Join us for socializing and refreshments in room 300 following worship.
7. Last week we received offerings of \$4,144. Thank you for the offerings and prayers.

## Call to Worship

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**P: Christ is risen indeed!**

L: Darkness has been vanquished.

**P: The brilliant Light of Hope has come!**

L: Come! Let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

**P: Alleluia! Christ is risen! Amen!**

## Opening Prayer

Loving God, on this joyous Easter day, we come together as a community of faith to celebrate the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. We give thanks for the gift of new life that He brings and for the hope and promise that His resurrection holds for us. As we gather here in worship, we ask that you fill us with your Holy Spirit. Open our hearts and minds to your Word, and help us to see the ways in which you are at work in our lives and in the world around us. We pray all of these things in the name of Jesus, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Silent Prayer of Confession

**Hymn “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” UMH#302**

## Passing the Peace of Christ

## Children’s Time

## Special Music

**Children’s Bell Choir**

**“Jesus Loves Me” UMH 191**

**Apostle Creed (Ecumenical Version)**

**UMH#882**

## Scripture

**Mike Boudreau**

**John 20:11-18 (NIV)**

Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot.

They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?”

“They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus.

He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?”

Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.”

Jesus said to her, “Mary.”

She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).

Jesus said, “Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’”

Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: “I have seen the Lord!” And she told them that he had said these things to her.

L: This is the Word of the Lord

**P: Thanks be to God.**