

# EASTER

"THE LIGHT SHINES IN THE DARKNESS,  
AND THE DARKNESS DID NOT OVERTAKE  
IT."

 Westwood  
Christian Church

## Welcome and Opening Prayer

*Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

**"Christ Arose"**

**"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"**

## Scripture Reading

**Matthew 28:1-10**

## The Response:

**Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24**

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures for ever.**

Let Israel now proclaim,  
**"His mercy endures for ever."**

The LORD is my strength and my song,  
**and he has become my salvation.**

There is a sound of exultation and victory  
**in the tents of the righteous:**

"The right hand of the LORD has triumphed!  
**the right hand of the Lord is exalted!**  
**the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"**

I shall not die, but live,  
**and declare the works of the Lord.**

The LORD has punished me sorely,  
**but he did not hand me over to death.**

Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
**I will enter them;**  
**I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

"This is the gate of the LORD;  
**he who is righteous may enter."**

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me  
**and have become my salvation.**

The same stone which the builders rejected  
**has become the chief cornerstone.**

This is the LORD's doing,  
**and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

On this day the LORD has acted;  
**we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

## **Prayer**

Fill out a Connect Card if you have a prayer request

## **“Christ is Risen”**

## **Victory in the Light**

**John 1:1-18**

## **“At the Cross (Love Ran Red)”**

## **Communion**

Communion is open to all who profess faith in Jesus  
If you need gluten free bread, please let an usher know.

## **“Glorious Day”**

## **Closing**

### Easter Giving!

Our missions team has selected Mountain Mission School as our Easter giving recipient! We’ll collect money from now until the end of April and all that will be sent to Mountain Mission School to help them cover a counseling program for the students.

### Westwood turns 65!

We are going to celebrate our 65th birthday on April 23! Join us from 10-3! We’ll have a worship service, lunch together, and fun and games and time together. Invite your friends, neighbors, and family to join us. If you want to help with preparations, let Adam Tomlinson or Kathi Seman know

## **Benediction**

**Colossians 3:1-4**

*If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.*

## Things to Know

1. There is an accessible restroom in the main foyer on the upper level. Additional men's and women's restrooms are located downstairs.
2. There is children's Sunday School during service. Take your kids downstairs and our teachers will help them get acclimated and help them witness the glory of Christ's resurrection!

At Westwood, we want to bear witness to God.

We do that by seeing where God is working, joining God in that work, and telling the world what God has done.

We hope you witness God today. Use the space below to note how you witness God.

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