## An Easter Celebration

April 4, 2021 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

Liz Yeiser

The Welcome

Jeff Bell

From First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in Paris, Kentucky, our hope for you is that today will be a day of rejoicing and celebration that our Lord, once dead and placed in a tomb, has now risen to new life. We share in the promise of new life in Jesus Christ as is written in Revelation:

See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

and God will be with them;

he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.

And the one who was seated on the throne said,

"See, I am making all things new."

Revelation 21:3b-5a

Today we complete a Lenten season of humble submission, prayerful thanksgiving and hopeful longing for a day such as the one we celebrate today.

Jesus is alive and living among us, living in God and living in us as well.

You will be able to enjoy a Sunday of music with brief narration and prayers. Singing for us today will be Vicky Myers and Sylvia Villiegas, Tom Cook, and Myra Miller. Dwana Stevens will present a flue solo. You may find a worship guide on our website at firstchristianchurchparis.org which will include words to the hymns and the narration.

Hymn - #562 "Because He Lives

Vicky Myers and Sylvia Villiegas

God sent his Son, they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal and forgive; he lived and died to buy my pardon, and empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

Refrain

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow; because he lives, all fear is gone; because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.

How sweet to hold a newborn baby, and feel the pride and joy that gives; But greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because he lives.