



Sunrise Service

Evergreen Memorial Park
6:30 a.m.

ATHENS FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

The Worship of God

*Please stand as you are able. The congregation speaks or sings the text in **bold type**.

Gathering

THE RESPONSIVE GREETING

Josh Miles

The Lord has risen.

The Lord has risen indeed.

Faith, hope, and joy are alive. A new age is dawning, and death cannot harm us. God of all creation, we praise you. God of resurrection and eternal life, we have gathered in this garden to worship you and celebrate your victory.

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*** THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Praise & Thanksgiving

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Adeline Archibald & Freddy Geiser

The light of Christ rises in glory, overcoming the darkness of sin and death. The King of kings and Lord of hosts ransoms his Church, and the gates of hell shall not overpower us. Christ is our light!

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!

THE ANTHEM

“Hallelujah, Mungu wa Israeli”

Sung by the Wesleyan Youth Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

Laney Hunter

THE SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:1-9

THE MEDITATION

“Telling all the Rest” | Josh Miles

*THE HYMN

“Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Led by Millican Jarrett and Joanne Timberlake

**Come, Thou Fount of every blessing tune my heart to sing Thy grace
Streams of mercy, never ceasing call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it mount of Thy unchanging love**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer, here there by Thy great help I've come
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger wandering from the fold of God
He, to rescue me from danger interposed His precious blood**

**O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now, like a fetter bind my wandering heart to Thee
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart, O take and seal it seal it for Thy courts above**

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* THE BENEDICTION

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The tomb is empty. Christ has risen. As you journey in faith, may your life be full, your love be abundant, and your hope be eternal. Live this day and always for Christ Jesus because the Risen Christ lives in you.

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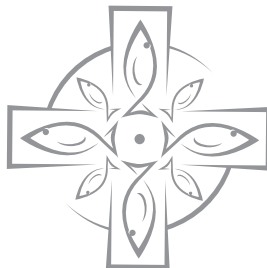
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