

Collierstown Presbyterian Church
Easter Sunrise Service
April 5, 2026
6:30 a.m.

Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ has risen indeed.

Leader: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: This is the Good News – the grave is empty & Christ is risen. Hallelujah!

People: Let us worship God with Easter joy!

Prayer (in unison):

God of Resurrecting faith, you lift our hearts with hope when we see the tomb is empty.

God of Resurrecting hope, you fill us with wonder when we hear that Christ is risen.

God of Resurrecting love, you embrace us with courage when we trust in the power of new life that you promise in the Risen Christ.

We offer you all glory, honor and praise with hearts overflowing in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips are afraid to name and what our hearts can no longer bear. Set us free from a past we cannot change and open us to a future in which we can be changed through your grace and mercy alone...In Jesus' name, we pray.

Assurance of Pardon

Hymn: Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning
Blackbird has spoken like the first bird
Praise for the singing, praise for the morning Praise
for them springing fresh from the world

Sweet the rains new fall, sunlit from Heaven Like
the first dewfall on the first grass
Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden
Sprung in completeness where His feet pass

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning
Born of the one light, Eden saw play
Praise with elation, praise every morning
God's recreation of the new day

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Pastoral Prayer

Illumination Prayer

Scripture: Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon: "Angels"

Commissioning and Benediction (in unison)

Let us go now, with wonder at the empty tomb to amaze us, with the joy Mary felt in the garden to lift our hearts, and with the disciples' hope at the news Jesus had risen to encourage us! May God's resurrecting love open the future for us, empowered by the Spirit and embraced by Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord. AMEN!!

All are welcome to join us for Easter breakfast after the sunrise service. Join us in celebrating the resurrection by breaking bread together.



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