

# EASTER SUNRISE SUNDAY WORSHIP CELEBRATION

APRIL 8, 2007 6:00 AM

## ~ GATHERING ~

6:00 AM Kate Whitney, Piano  
Special Music, Kendal Thomas

## INTROIT

## HYMN\*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING\*

~Worshippers May Be Seated~

ANTHEM *Rise Again* D. Holm  
Solo: Gail Blache-Gill

## WELCOME

## MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

Ever-loving God, Hallowed be your name. Your reign come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us, and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for yours is the reign, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## PASSING OF THE PEACE\*

## CHILDREN LEAVE FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

## ~ REFLECTING ~

## SCRIPTURE

## SERMON

## ~ RESPONDING ~

OFFERING/ OFFERTORY *Because He Lives* B & G Gaither  
Solo: Gail Blache-Gill

## DOXOLOGY HYMN/DEDICATION PRAYER\*

From all that dwell below the skies / Let faith and hope with love arise.  
Let peace, goodwill on earth be sung / Through every land, by every tongue.

## BENEDICTION\*

## POSTLUDE\*

*Indicates Please Stand If You Are Able*

## WELCOME TO MIDDLE CHURCH

We are glad you are here today. If you are visiting for the first time, we invite you to return often and make Middle Church a home for you, your family, and friends. Complete the card from the pew in front of you or sign the guest book in the narthex to receive our newsletter or listserv. For more information visit [middlechurch.org](http://middlechurch.org).

## COURTESY AND SAFETY IN THE SANCTUARY

Please silence your cell phone and leave food or drink outside. Please help us comply with fire safety codes: fold strollers or carts and store them carefully under a pew. Thanks for your cooperation. For the additional comfort of parents with restless young ones, the worship celebration can also be heard real time in our social hall.

## UPCOMING NEW ADULT EDUCATION IN APRIL

### LIVING THE WORD, Cheryl Cochran and Keith Slatten-Poss for the Month of April,

Living The Word will present both traditional and contemporary viewpoints in translating key Scripture passages that mention homosexuality. By the end of this series, we hope that participants will be able to have more informed discussions on this issue by hearing from both sides.

Week 1-Genesis and Judges

Week 2 Leviticus

Week 3 Romans and Jude

Week 4 1 Corinthians and 1 Timothy

Week 5 Wrap-Up/Summary

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER? NEXT NEW MEMBER GATHERING APRIL 22ND-MAY 6

Joining Middle Church is a welcoming process. We hope you will consider making Middle Church your home. Meet at 1:00p in the parlor on May 6 to get started. If you have any questions, please contact Jacqui Lewis at [jlewis@middlechurch.org](mailto:jlewis@middlechurch.org)

## SUNDAY CLASSES AND ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES TODAY

9:00 & 11:15 AM	Wee Care	Nursery	Under 4
9:00 AM	<b>Children in Worship Today</b>		
10:00 AM	No Church School	<b>Children in Worship Today</b>	
10:00 AM	<b>No Bible Study:</b> Charlie Haynes	Joins Living the Word	Adult
10:00 AM	Living the Word	Parlor	Adult
10:00 AM	Easter Brunch	Social Hall	
10:00 AM	Middle Cares Table	Social Hall	
11:30 AM	Easter Egg Hunt	After School Room	Children
12:30 PM	Order Tapes of Celebration	Media Room	
12:45 PM	Easter Brunch	Social Hall	