

100 YEARS OF EASTER AT FOREST LAWN

Visit the Pop-Up Exhibit at Forest Lawn Museum in Glendale

As part of its commitment of offering cultural experiences for the whole family, Forest Lawn held its first Easter sunrise service in 1924.



First Easter Sunrise Service, 1924



Easter Pageant, 1930



Band Shell and Community Choir, 1947



View from the Stage, 1948



Allyn Cox, Preliminary Study for The Resurrection, c. 1961, oil on canvas

You can see the final painting during the Hall of Crucifixion-Resurrection Video Presentation

To celebrate this centennial anniversary, Forest Lawn Museum is hosting a pop-up exhibition that features paintings, photographs, and ephemera from our archives. You're invited to visit and explore it and all the other fascinating features on display.

We look forward to sharing another century of free culturally enriching events with the communities we serve.

Easter

SUNRISE SERVICE

Sunday, March 31, 2024



FOREST LAWN – HOLLYWOOD HILLS
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Choral Prelude San Fernando Valley Master Chorale
“Ave verum corpus” by W. A. Mozart Charlie Kim, Artistic Director

Welcome Shawna de la Cruz, Vice President
Forest Lawn – Hollywood Hills

Call to Worship* Reverend Cynthia Crowell
Pastor, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Pasadena

Congregational Hymn* All
“Because He Lives” by Gloria Gaither and William J. Gaither (See Insert)

Choral Anthem San Fernando Valley Master Chorale
“What Wondrous Love is This” by Richard Proulx

Morning Prayer Reverend Crowell

Scripture Reading Reverend Crowell
Matthew 28: 1-8

*YOU ARE INVITED TO RISE IN BODY AND SPIRIT AS YOU CHOOSE.

Choral Anthem San Fernando Valley Master Chorale
“For the Beauty of the Earth by John Rutter” by John Rutter

Sermon Reverend Rick Mandl
“What difference does Easter make?”
Senior Pastor
Eagle Rock Baptist Church

Congregational Hymn All
“Christ the Lord is Risen Today” by Charles Wesley (See Insert)

Closing Remarks Shawna de la Cruz

Benediction* Reverend Mandl

Choral Benediction San Fernando Valley Master Chorale
“Hallelujah Chorus” (Messiah) by G. F. Handel

☐ Please silence your cell phone.



BECAUSE HE LIVES

Gloria Gaither and William J. Gaither



God sent His Son
They called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and forgive
He lived and died to buy my pardon
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

Chorus:

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 new born baby,
And feel the pride and joy He gives;
But greater still the calm assurance,
This child can face uncertain days because He lives.

Chorus

And then one day I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.

Chorus

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

Charles Wesley



Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
All creation, join to say: "Alleluia!"
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our Glorious King, Alleluia!
Where O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where's thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!