

# He is Risen!

Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021 11:15 a.m.

**Gathering Song** *Worship Band*

**Announcements** *Rev. Jason Christ, Associate Pastor*

**Welcome** *Rev. Dr. Charles E. Whited, Jr.*

*(Stand)*

## Opening Song

### *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

*Verse 1*

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia  
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia

*Verse 2*

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia  
Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia

*Verse 3*

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia  
Our salvation have procured, Alleluia  
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia  
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia

*Verse 4*

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia  
Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia  
Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia  
Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia  
Alleluia, Alleluia

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## Invocation

Leader In the name of the Father, who gave His Son to conquer death for us.  
In the name of the Son, who has burst free from the tomb for us.  
In the name of the Spirit, who grants us faith in our Redeemer Jesus.

**People Amen. Jesus is risen! Alleluia!**

Leader He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of His people He will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. *Isaiah 25:8*  
Jesus is risen!

**People He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader Shall I ransom them from the power of Sheol? Shall I redeem them from Death? O Death, where are your plagues? O Sheol, where is your sting? *Hosea 13:14* Jesus is risen!

**People He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. *1 Corinthians 15:25-26* Jesus is risen!

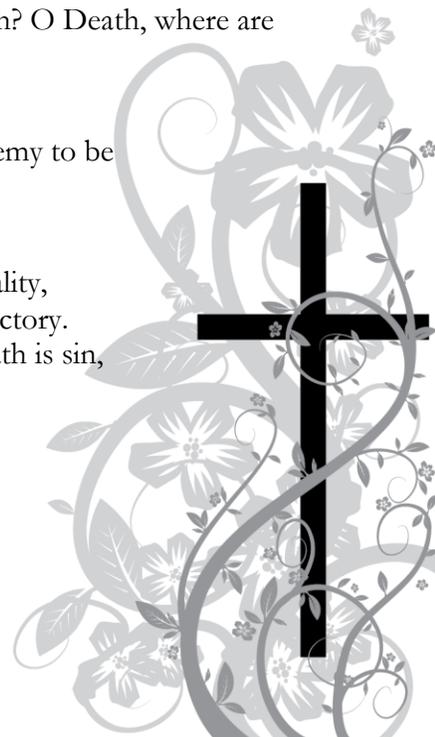
**People He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. *1 Corinthians 15:54-56*

**People Jesus is risen!**

Leader He is risen indeed!

**People Alleluia!**



## Confession & Absolution

Leader Confident of God's mercy, let us approach the throne of God to confess our sins.  
Most merciful God,

People **We confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.** *(Silence for personal reflection)*

Leader Jesus is alive! By His resurrection He has broken the chains of sin and slavery that held us captive. Our sins are forgiven. We have been set free and given the gift of new life! Rejoice in His gift, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

People **This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice, be glad in it!**

## Learning From the Word *(Sit)*

Reader God speaks to us through the Old Testament: Isaiah 25:6-9  
On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Reader God speaks to us through the New Testament: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11  
Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Reader God speaks to us through the Gospel: Mark 16:1-8  
When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

## **The Nicene Creed** *(Stand)*

**People** I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## **Preparation for Lord's Supper**

**Leader** The Lord be with you

**People** And also with you.

**Leader** Lift up your hearts.

**People** We lift them to the Lord.

**Leader** Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

**People** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**Leader** On the night when He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread, He gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take; eat; this is My Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." In the same way also He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you; this is My blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**People** And also with you. *(Sit)*

*We welcome to the Lord's Table baptized believers who confess their sins, affirm their faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and who accept that Christ's body and blood are truly present in Holy Communion, given for the forgiveness of sins.*

## **The Invitation and Home Distribution**

## Songs During Lord's Supper

### *On the Third Day*

#### *Verse 1*

Creation brings an offering  
As autumn leaves turn to gold  
The trees bow down in highest praise  
Now made bare before Your throne  
The western sky an amber blaze  
At the end of the day  
For ev'rything must die  
To rise again

#### *Verse 2*

The winter's chill a bitter cold  
As sin and shame leave us to fall  
The clouds now full of newborn snow  
For grace to come and save us all  
Within the darkest night of man  
Was found Your saving hand  
For ev'rything must die  
To rise again

#### *Chorus 1*

On the third day behold the King  
On the third day death has no sting  
On the third day we're forgiven and reconciled

### *Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)*

#### *Verse 1*

Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me.  
I once was lost, but now I'm found.  
Was blind, but now I see.

#### *Verse 2*

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.

#### *Chorus*

My chains are gone, I've been set free.  
My God, my Savior has ransomed me.  
And like a flood His mercy reigns.  
Unending love, amazing grace.

#### *Verse 3*

The earth it groans in labor pains  
As flowers stretch to heav'n above  
Your creatures sing the prophet's song  
To be a gift of selfless love  
The sun is rising in the east  
And Your Spirit is unleashed  
For ev'rything must die  
To rise again

#### *Verse 4*

And so we wait in joyful hope  
For You to come and take us home  
And so we join beneath the cross  
In suffering from whence we go  
The greatest act of sov'reign grace  
In the universe displayed  
For ev'rything must die  
To rise again *Chorus 1*

#### *Chorus 2*

On the third day the saints rejoice  
On the third day we lift our voice  
On the third day

We're united and glorified *Chorus 1*

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#### *Verse 3*

The Lord has promised good to me;  
His words my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be,  
As long as life endures. *Chorus*

#### *Verse 4*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow.  
The sun forbear to shine.  
But God, Who called me here below  
Will be forever mine.  
Will be forever mine.  
You are forever mine.

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## ***Lord I Need You***

### *Verse 1*

Lord I come I confess  
Bowing here I find my rest  
And without You I fall apart  
You're the one that guides my heart

### *Chorus*

Lord I need You oh I need You  
Ev'ry hour I need You  
My one defense my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You

### *Verse 2*

Where sin runs deep Your grace is more  
Where grace is found is where You are  
And where You are Lord I am free  
Holiness is Christ in me

## **Prayers**

### **The Lord's Prayer** *(Stand)*

**People** Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done on Earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours, now and forever. Amen.

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### **Living Hope**

#### *Verse 1*

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope

#### *Verse 2*

Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

### *Bridge*

So teach my song to rise to You  
When temptation comes my way  
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You  
Jesus You're my hope and stay

### *Tag*

You're my one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You  
My one defense, my righteousness  
Oh God how I need You

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### *Chorus*

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ my living hope *Repeat*

### *Verse 3*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me *Repeat*  
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

### *Ending*

Jesus Christ my living hope  
Oh God You are my living hope

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## Closing Song

### *In Christ Alone*

#### *Verse 1*

In Christ alone my hope is found  
He is my light my strength my song  
This Cornerstone this solid Ground  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm  
What heights of love what depths of peace  
When fears are stilled when strivings cease  
My Comforter my All in All  
Here in the love of Christ I stand

#### *Verse 2*

In Christ alone who took on flesh  
Fullness of God in helpless babe  
This gift of love and righteousness  
Scorned by the ones He came to save  
Till on that cross as Jesus died  
The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid  
Here in the death of Christ I live

#### *Verse 3*

There in the ground His body lay  
Light of the world by darkness slain  
Then bursting forth in glorious Day  
Up from the grave He rose again  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me  
For I am His and He is mine  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

#### *Verse 4*

No guilt in life no fear in death  
This is the power of Christ in me  
From life's first cry to final breath  
Jesus commands my destiny  
No power of hell no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand  
Till He returns or calls me home  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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## **Blessing and Sending Music** *Worship Band*

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## **In Thanksgiving To God For**

His Many Blessings  
His Many Blessings  
His Many Blessings  
Abundant Blessings  
The Resurrection