



Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021

“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.

7 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.”

Mark 16:6-7

## **Order of Worship and Lyrics**

## Call to Worship

**Hymn:** Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where 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 hath 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!

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Praise Song:** Come People of the Risen King

Come, people of the Risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,

Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

[Chorus]

Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
And those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land  
Men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age:  
"Our God is all in all"!

### **Affirmation of Faith:** The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:  
And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by  
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the  
third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty; from  
thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in  
the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### **Gloria Patri:**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

### **Unison Reading:** Luke 24:1-12

““But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise. And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.”

### **Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer:**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**Anthem:** Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed.

**Sermon:** “The Upward Call”                      Randy Jenkins

**Scripture:**    Philippians 3:8-16

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. 12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. 16 Only let us hold true to what we have attained.”

**Hymn:**                      **He Lives**

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;  
I know that He is living, whatever men may say.  
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,  
And just the time I need Him, He's always near.

[Chorus]

He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!  
He walks with me and talks with me  
along life's narrow way.

He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart!

In all the world around me I see His loving care;  
And though my heart grows weary,  
I never will despair.  
I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast;  
The day of His appearing will come at last.

Rejoice, Rejoice, O Christian, Lift up your voice and sing  
Eternal Hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!  
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,  
None other is so loving, so good and kind.

**Benediction/Response:** Doxology

dPraise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him all creatures here below,  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Amen!

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