



He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. MATTHEW 28:6

MARCH 31, 2024

EASTER SUNDAY

TRINITY EASTER WELCOME:

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

CELEBRATION SONG: “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

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!

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!

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!

THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY:

- ❖ *“And now siblings, I will ask you a terrible question, and God knows I ask it also of myself. Is the truth beyond all truths, beyond the stars, just this: that to live without him is the real death, that to die with him the only life?”*
– Frederick Buechner, *The Magnificent Defeat*
- ❖ *“If a grave is empty, is it a grave? I wonder how Jesus would answer that.”*
– Craig D. Lounsborough (Pastor, Counselor)

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People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!!

OPENING SONG:

“My Redeemer Lives”

I know He res - cued my soul, His blood, He
cov - ered my sin, I be - lieve, I be - lieve
My shame, He's tak - en a - way, my pain is
healed in His name, I be - lieve, I be - lieve.
I'll raise a ban - ner; my Lord has
con - quered the gravel! My Re - deem - er lives! My Re -
deem - er lives! My Re - deem - er lives! My Re -
deem - er lives! You lift my bur - den,
I rise with You. I'm danc - ing on this mount
- tain - top to see Your King - dom come. Repeat CHORUS 2X

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed.

Leader: We have Good News to share this day.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: God is for us.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: Jesus is alive and victorious.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: New life is possible.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: Forgiveness is offered.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: Reconciliation is real.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: Evil has been defeated.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: God's final word is life.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

Leader: We eagerly await our Risen Lord.

People: Christ is risen. Tell the world.

PRAISE SONGS:

"Christ Is Risen"

Christ is ris - en, sing al - le - lu - ia!
Christ is ris - en, sing al - le - lu - ia! O - pen wide the door is stand - ing.
From the grave new life is spring - ing. He was dead, now he's liv - ing!
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#) and a time signature of 6/8. It begins with a repeat sign. The melody is simple and repetitive, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

“Lord, I Lift Your Name on High”

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

Lord, I love to sing Your praises.

I'm so glad You're in my life.

I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth, to show the way

From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;

From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky

Lord, I lift Your name on high.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a time signature of 4/4. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

WE CONFESS OUR OWN GOOD FRIDAYS:

L: Holy, living God, we struggle to silence our active minds, put aside our “to-do” lists and rest our spirits in this moment. (*Moment of Silence*)

Move into the busy spaces and know our hearts, we pray. (*Moment of Silence*)

In this day of celebration and new life, we are mindful that we hold on to what is familiar and habitual. Forgive us for preferring ways of negativity and death to the adventure and joy you offer us each moment. Pardon us for reacting in fear when we hear or see things we do not understand. Grant us new life as you have gifted us with Christ’s resurrection. Teach us what it means to be transformed this very day, as forgiven and holy people.

C: Amen.

WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF EASTER:

L: Today brings the best news of all...Jesus lives! Jesus died a cruel death on the cross for the sin of the whole world. His body was placed in a borrowed tomb and on the third day he came back to life to defeat death for all time. Christ offers us this new life as our very own. Our sin is forgiven because Jesus lives. We no longer need to fear death as we look forward to living for all eternity with him. Jesus lives! Praise God for the good news of Easter.

CONFESSION RESPONSE: "Christ is Living" ACS #934 (verse 1)



1. Christ is liv - ing! Gone with sor - row! Tears and ter - ror, be no more.
Death and grave, you now are noth - ing; Christ is free of ev - 'ry pow'r.
Why then seek the liv - ing Sav - ior in the haunts of death and fear?
Christ is ris - en! Shout the good news so that all the world may hear.

THE EASTER STORY: Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, 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. They had been saying to one another, 'Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?' When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, 'Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.' So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

EASTER MESSAGE: "It's Easter, What are You Afraid of?"

- Pastor David Schoob

MESSAGE RESPONSE: "Resurrection Hymn"

1. See what a morn - ing, glo - rious-ly bright, with the
 2. See Mary - y weep - ing, "Where is He laid?" as in
 3. One with the Fath - er, An - cient of Days, through the

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem.
 sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb,
 Spir - it, who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty.

Fold - ed the grave - clothes; tomb filled with light, as the
 hears a voice speak - ing, call - ing her name. It's the
 Hon - or and bless - ing, glo - ry and praise to the

an - gels an - nounce, "Christ is ris - en!"
 Mas - ter, the Lord, raised to life a - gain!
 king, crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty.

Chorus

See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in
 The voice that spans the years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing
 And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has

sac - ri - fice; ful - filled in Christ, the Man, for He
 peace to us, will sound 'til He ap - pears, for He
 con - quered. And we shall reign with Him, for He

lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead.
 lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead.
 lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead. Repeat last chorus and tag.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER:

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

THE SENDING OUT:

L: Go forth, fear not! God walks with you! God sustains you! Christ is risen!

C: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SENDING SONG: "Rise O Church Like Christ Arisen"

1. Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this meal of
2. Rise, trans - formed and choose to fol - low af - ter Christ, though
3. Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has called us
4. Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age be our
love and grace; may we through such love en - vis - sion
wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are hal - lowed
to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing nur - ture,
dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti - na - tion,
whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le - lu - ia,
to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le - lu - ia,
Spir - it - ed then let us live, Al - le - lu - ia,
from this day and to our death. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia; God the won - der of our days.
al - le - lu - ia; Christ, the pres - ent, past, and goal.
al - le - lu - ia; Spir - it, grace by whom we live.
al - le - lu - ia; Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

THE DISMISSAL:

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

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EASTER GREETINGS

May each of you, as you have worshipped here, sense the marvels of God's love seen in the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. May His presence dwell with us always.

OUR *Welcome* IS WIDE OPEN

Skeptic. Cynic. Certain. Believer. Confident. Fearful. Doubter. Seeker. Questioner. Latino. Black. Asian. White. Indigenous. Immigrant. Any combination of ethnic or racial identities. Female. Male. Straight. Gay. Bisexual. Transgender. Questioning. Rich. Poor. Middle-class. Barely making it. Able bodied. Specially abled. Disabled. Young. Old. In-between. Married. Single. Divorced. Awaiting trial. Served time. On probation. Tired. Worn. Hopeful. Employed. Unemployed. Workaholic. Slacker. Anxious. Depressed. Confused. Centered. Inked. Pierced. Both. Life long follower of Jesus. Regular attender. Occasional attender. Curious onlooker. Don't quite fit the box. Need a prayer right now. **Trinity is a faith community where we believe in God's love, grace and mercy—illustrated most clearly through Jesus Christ. We believe we are all children of God, created in God's image and equal in God's sight. We believe God loves us just as we are and way too much to let us stay this way. We are called to live in God's light and be transformed, not through judgment but through unconditional love. We believe God's love is all-inclusive and is stronger than the pressure to be perfect regardless of whatever labels we carry.** Saint. Sinner. Democrat. Republican. Independent. Libertarian. Green. Socialist. Apolitical. Addicted. Recovering. We don't care what religion or denomination you are. We are all Human. We are all Flawed. We are all Beloved. —**You are welcome here.**

COME *as you are.*

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