

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

March 31, 2024

“He Is Alive!”

PROCESSIONAL HYMN #457

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to-day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which He endured, Al - le - lu - ia!
△ 4 Sing we to our God a-bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

INVOCATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Christ is risen!

C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

L: "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."

C: **"We have an inheritance that can never perish, spoil nor fade."**

L: Sing praises to the Lord, for He has done glorious things!

C: **"Shout for joy, O heavens; rejoice O earth; for the Lord comforts his people."**

L: Alleluia! For the Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Alleluia!

C: **Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory.**

L: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

C: **"Burst into songs of joy together for the Lord has comforted his people."**

L: Christ is risen.

C: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

EASTER PRAYER

HYMN 475

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing"



1 Good Chris - tian friends, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day; Bring flow'rs of song to
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry That love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, And sing to - day with



of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
strew His way; Let all the world re - joice and say:
can - not die, And sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord The life laid down, the life re - stored:



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

PSALM 150

L: Praise the Lord! Praise God in His sanctuary;
praise Him in His mighty heavens!

C: **Praise Him for His mighty deeds;
praise Him according to his excellent greatness!**

L: Praise Him with trumpet sound;
praise Him with lute and harp!

**C: Praise Him with tambourine and dance;
praise Him with strings and pipe!**

L: Praise Him with sounding cymbals;
praise Him with loud clashing cymbals!

**C: Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!**

**C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever, Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 15:1-11

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

L: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

EPISTLE READING

1 Corinthians 15:19-26

L: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God.

L: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

HYMN #488

"He Is Arisen! Glorious Word"

He is arisen! Glorious Word! Now reconciled is God, my Lord;

The gates of heav'n are open. My Jesus did triumphant die,
And Satan's arrows broken lie, Destroyed hell's fiercest weapon.

O hear what cheer! Christ victorious,

Rising glorious, Life is giving.

He was dead but now is living!

Text: Birgitte Katerine Boye, 1742-1824; tr. George A. T. Rygh, 1860-1942, alt.

GOSPEL

John 20:1-18

L: This is the Gospel of the Resurrection of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: Christ is Risen!

C: He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE CREED

L: Let us join together to confess our faith in our risen Lord.

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from
eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord.**

**He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and
won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil;
not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with
His innocent suffering and death,**

That I may be His own and live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity! This is most certainly true!

HYMN #474

“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter Tell - ing the
 3 Je - sus the vine, We are the branch - es; Life in the
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; Sor - row, be si - lent: Death put a -
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, Gold - en Je -



sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb, Heav - en for -
 sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; Break - ing our bread, Giv - ing us
 Spir - it the fruit of the tree; Heav - en to earth, Christ to the
 sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing: “O grave, be
 ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, Riv - er of life, Saints and arch -



ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 peo - ple, Gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 o - pen!” Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 an - gels, Sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain



Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:



Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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EASTER POETIC READING

“SonRise!”

HYMN #463

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia”



1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day; Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Hail, the vic - tim un - de - filed, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Chris - tians, on this ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten on your way; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Sin - less in the sin - ner's stead. Al - le - lu - ia!
 God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled, Al - le - lu - ia!
 All your grate - ful hom - age pay; Al - le - lu - ia!



Of - fer praise with love re - plete, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 When con - tend - ing death and life, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Al - le - lu - ia!



At the pas - chal vic - tim's feet. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now He lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Met in strange and awe - some strife. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now He lives, no more to die. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane E. Leeson, 1809–81, alt.

Tune: Robert Williams, c. 1781–1821

EASTER WORD “He Is Alive: Jacob and Mary” John 20:1-18

HYMN #486

“If Christ Had Not Been Raised from Death”



1 If Christ had not been raised from death Our faith would be in vain,
 2 If Christ still lay with - in the tomb Then death would be the end,
 3 If Christ had not been tru - ly raised His Church would live a lie;



Our preach - ing but a waste of breath, Our sin and guilt re - main.
 And we should face our fi - nal doom With nei - ther guide nor friend.
 His name should nev - er - more be praised, His words de - serve to die.



But now the Lord is ris'n in - deed; He rules in earth and heav'n:
 But now the Sav - ior is raised up, So when a Chris - tian dies
 But now our great Re - deem - er lives; Through Him we are re - stored;



His Gos - pel meets a world of need— In Christ we are for - giv'n.
 We mourn, yet look to God in hope— In Christ the saints a - rise!
 His Word en - dures, His Church re - vives In Christ, our ris - en Lord.

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OFFERING

LITANY OF THE RESURRECTION

L: O Lord,

C: have mercy.

L: O Christ

C: have mercy.

L: O Lord,

C: have mercy.

L: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

C: hear us.

L: Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who was crucified for our transgressions and raised for our justification,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who foretold Your passion saying, "The Son of Man must be crucified and on the third day rise again."

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who destroyed death by dying, and by rising to life again brought life and immortality to light,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Whose resurrection was first announced by an angel to the women.

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who appeared to Mary Magdalene and was worshiped by her,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who revealed Yourself to the two disciples on the Emmaus road and made Yourself known to them in the Scriptures and in the breaking of the bread,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who appeared to the disciples, bestowing on them Your peace and Your Spirit,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who showed Your wounded hands and side to the apostle Thomas that he too might believe,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who appeared to seven disciples on the sea of Tiberias, bringing a miraculous catch of fish,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who appeared to Peter and to the twelve, to over 500 disciples, to James and to all the apostles, and to Paul on the Damascus road,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Who commissioned Your Church to make disciples of all nations by baptizing and teaching them,

C: have mercy on us.

L: By Your glorious resurrection from the dead,

C: good Lord, deliver us.

L: By Your victory over sin and death,

C: good Lord, deliver us.

L: By the majesty of Your risen body,

C: good Lord, deliver us.

L: We poor sinners implore You

C: to hear us Lord Jesus.

L: That we may daily die and rise with You in our Baptism and walk in the freedom of Your forgiveness,

C: grant us, good Lord.

L: That we may set our minds on things above and not on earthly things, serving others as we have been served by You,

C: grant us, good Lord.

L: That we may dwell with You forever in the new creation as citizens of the heavenly Jerusalem, together with all the saints,

C: grant us, good Lord.

L: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: have mercy on us.

L: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: grant us Your peace. Amen.

PRAYERS

L: O God, ... through Jesus Christ, our Lord,

C: Amen.

L: Almighty God, ... one God, now and forever,

C: Amen.

L: In the name of your Son, our risen Lord, who taught us to pray:

THE 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. And forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever, Amen.

BENEDICTION

HYMN 477

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"



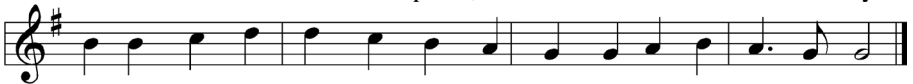
1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
△ 3 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:



Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise;
See the an-cient pow'rs of e - vil In con - fu - sion and re-treat;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior Who has gained the vic - to - ry;



He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal - va - tion bled—
Once He died, and once was bur-ied: Now He lives for - ev - er - more,
Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc-ti - ty!



Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, Now is ris - en from the dead.
Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, Whom we wor-ship and a - dore.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia To the tri - une Maj - es - ty!

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