



## Order of Worship

April 4, 2021

7:00 a.m. Service

*During this time of social distancing, we ask that all singing and responsive reading be done from behind a mask.  
Thank you for doing your part to keep yourself and others safe during the pandemic.*

### Prelude

### Introit

*Safely Through Another Year*

*Mason/Newton*

### Call to Worship

Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here. He has risen from the dead. He is risen.

**He is risen indeed.**

Christ is risen.

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### \*Hymn #108

**Christ Is Alive!**

1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
2. Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,  
But saving, healing, here and now, and touching every place and time.
3. Not throned afar, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains,  
But daily, in the midst of life, our Savior in the God-head reigns.
5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,  
Till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

### \*Call to Confession

### \*Prayer of Confession

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us by our sin. Cleanse us from all our offenses. Deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may we draw near to you, confessing our faults and finding in you our refuge and strength.**

**\*Silent Prayer of Confession**

**\*Assurance of Pardon**

Friends, believe the Good News.  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*Congregational Response**

*Gloria Patri*

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory**

**\*Hymn #592**

*The Doxology*

**\*Prayer of Commitment and 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 debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**Anthem**

*Come, Let Us Sing*

*Beall*

**Old Testament Reading**

**Isaiah 25:1, 6-9**

<sup>1</sup> O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure.

<sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. <sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> 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."

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**Children's Time**

**\*Hymn**

**Because He Lives**

1. 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.

Refrain:

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.

2. How sweet to hold a newborn baby, and feel the pride and joy he gives.  
But greater still the calm assurance, this child can face uncertain days because He lives.  
(Refrain)

3. 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.  
(Refrain)

## New Testament Reading

Mark 16:1-11

<sup>1</sup> When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup> And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup> And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?"

<sup>4</sup> And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large.

<sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> 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. <sup>7</sup> 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."

<sup>8</sup> 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.

<sup>9</sup> Now when he rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast out seven demons. <sup>10</sup> She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. <sup>11</sup> But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it.

## Remarks

Rev. Dr. David H. Green

### Good News?

*"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." (Mark 16:8)*

## The Sacrament of Communion

### Invitation to the Table

### Prayers of the People

### Words of Institution

### Distribution of the Elements

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

## \*Hymn #123

## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
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!
4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## \*Charge and Benediction

## \*Postlude

\*Please stand if able.

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