



Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024

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Grace Alone • Faith Alone • Scripture Alone • Christ Alone • Glory to God Alone

EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP

March 31, 2024 @ 10:30 am

When the Gathering Music begins, please assume a quiet and reverent attitude of worship.

Please silence your cell phones.

GATHERING MUSIC

Beth McEwen — “Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus,” “O Lord, My Rock and My Redeemer,” “Christ Exalted Is Our Song”

PRELUDE / CHIMES

Judy Redeker — “O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”
(arr. J.F. Dandrieu)

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Brewer

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 55

†CALL TO WORSHIP

(Congregation reads bold print)

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**He has given us new life and hope.
He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**He has brought us out of darkness.
He has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

— based on 1 Peter 1:3-5

†INVOCATION

Christian Brewer

†HYMN OF PRAISE

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

• 1. Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 • 2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 • 3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!
 • 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sons of men and an - gels say: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Dy - ing once He all doth save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Death in vain for - bids Him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Made like Him, like Him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ hath o - pened Par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Charles Wesley

Music: Lyra Davidica; Last stanza setting by Don Marsh

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†PROFESSION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLE’S CREED

(Congregation reads bold print)

**I believe in God the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

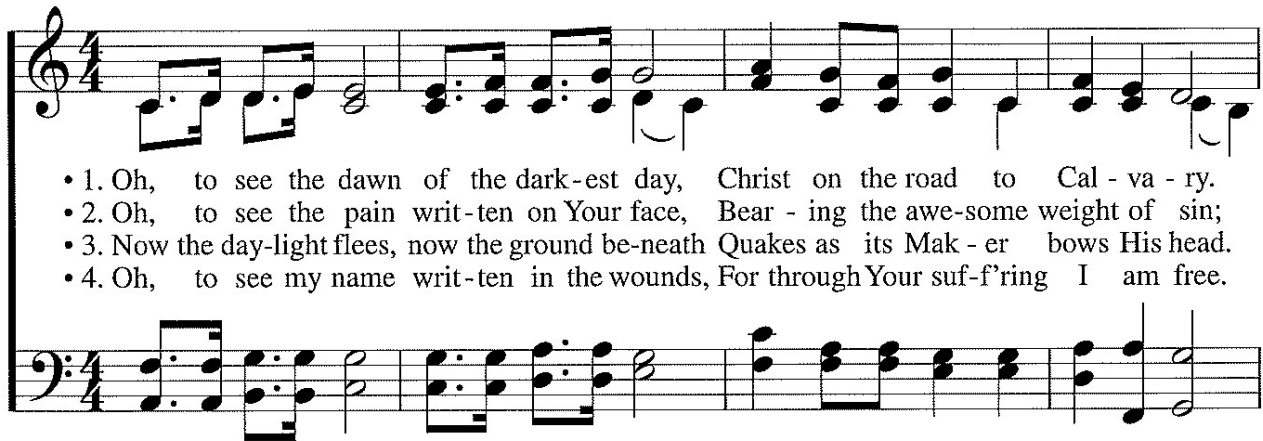
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*(*catholic = universal)*

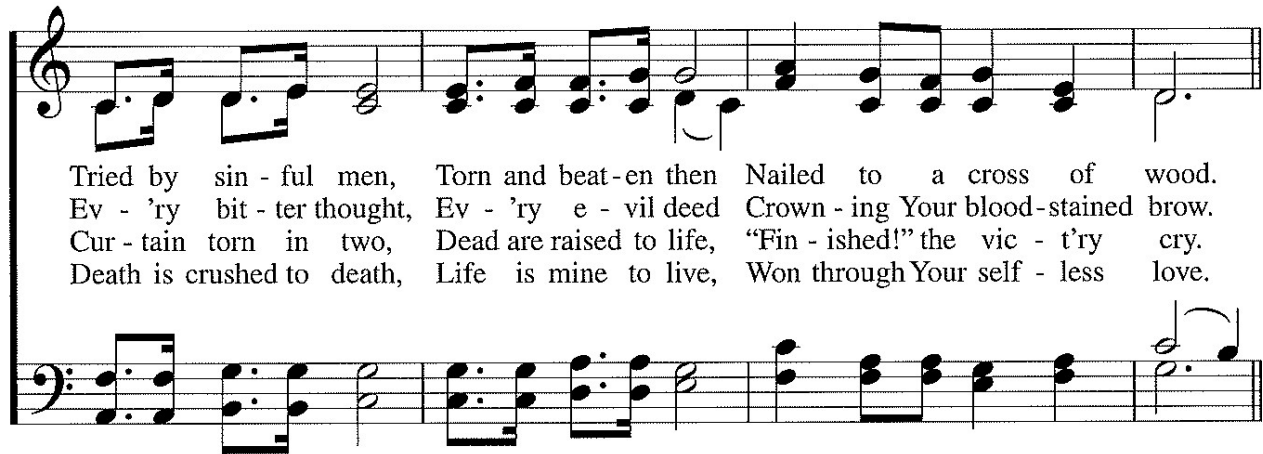
†HYMN OF AFFIRMATION

“The Power of the Cross”

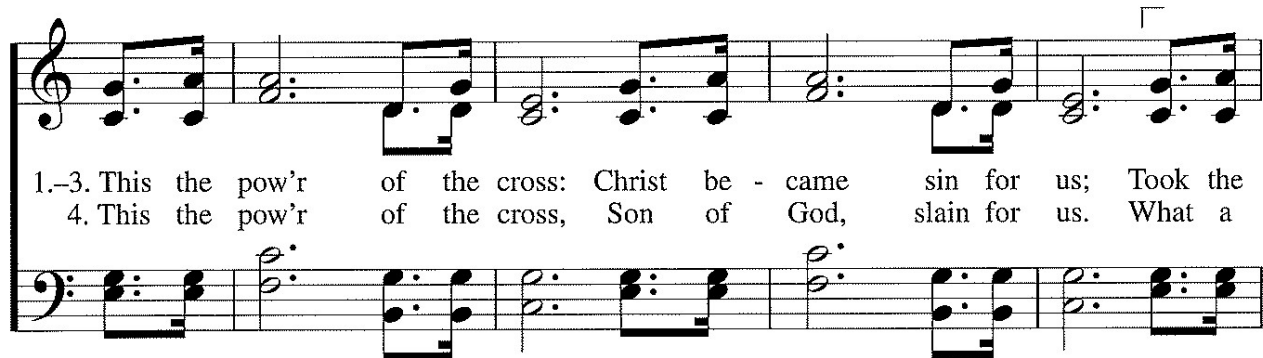
THE POWER OF THE CROSS



1. Oh, to see the dawn of the dark-est day, Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry.
 2. Oh, to see the pain writ-ten on Your face, Bear - ing the awe-some weight of sin;
 3. Now the day-light flees, now the ground be-neath Quakes as its Mak - er bows His head.
 4. Oh, to see my name writ-ten in the wounds, For through Your suf-f'ring I am free.



Tried by sin - ful men, Torn and beat-en then Nailed to a cross of wood.
 Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, Ev - 'ry e - vil deed Crown - ing Your blood-stained brow.
 Cur - tain torn in two, Dead are raised to life, "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
 Death is crushed to death, Life is mine to live, Won through Your self - less love.



1.-3. This the pow'r of the cross: Christ be - came sin for us; Took the
 4. This the pow'r of the cross, Son of God, slain for us. What a



blame, bore the wrath, We stand for - giv - en at the cross.
 love! What a cost! We stand for - giv - en at the cross.

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

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The Congregation will be seated.

CONFESSION OF SIN

(Congregation reads bold print)

The very stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.
Come now to Christ, that living stone,
a cornerstone chosen and precious.
Whoever believes in Him will not be put to shame.
Trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ, let us confess our sins before
God and one another.

**Almighty God, we confess how hard it is to be Your people.
You have called us to be the church,
to continue the mission of Jesus Christ
to our lonely and confused world.
Yet we acknowledge we are more apathetic than active, isolated
than involved, callous than compassionate,
obstinate than obedient, legalistic than loving.
Gracious Lord, have mercy upon us and forgive our sins.
Remove the obstacles preventing us
from being your representatives to a broken world.
Awaken our hearts to the promised gift of Your indwelling Spirit.
This we pray in Jesus' powerful name. Amen.**

-based on 1 Peter 2:4-7

Silent Confession

PASTORAL PRAYER

Christian Brewer

THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Congregation reads bold print)

**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.**

THE GOSPEL'S ASSURANCE OF GRACE

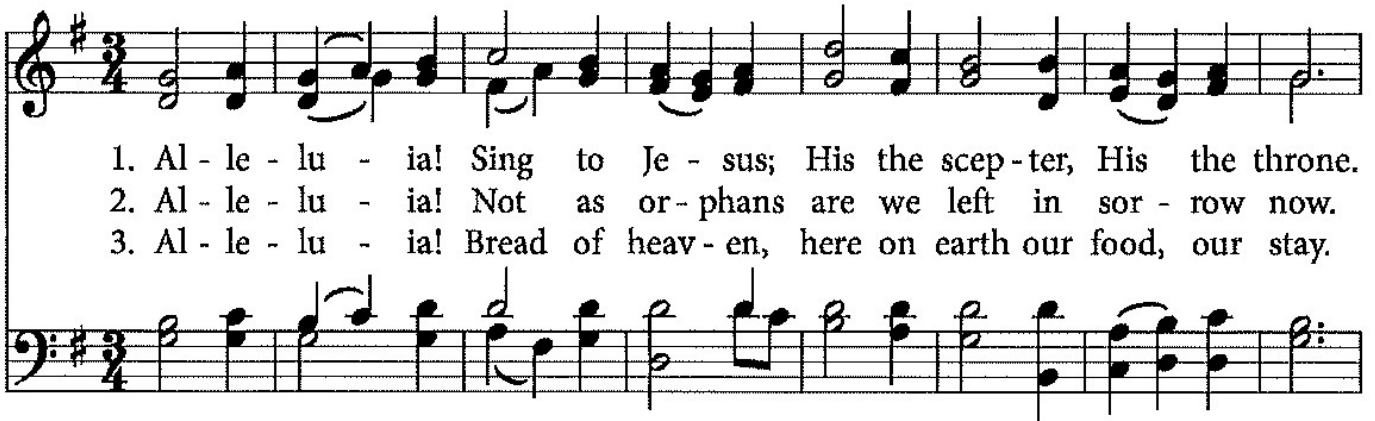
Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his
great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into
an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept
in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God
through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

— 1 Peter 1:3-5

SONG OF PREPARATION

"Alleluia! Sing to Jesus"

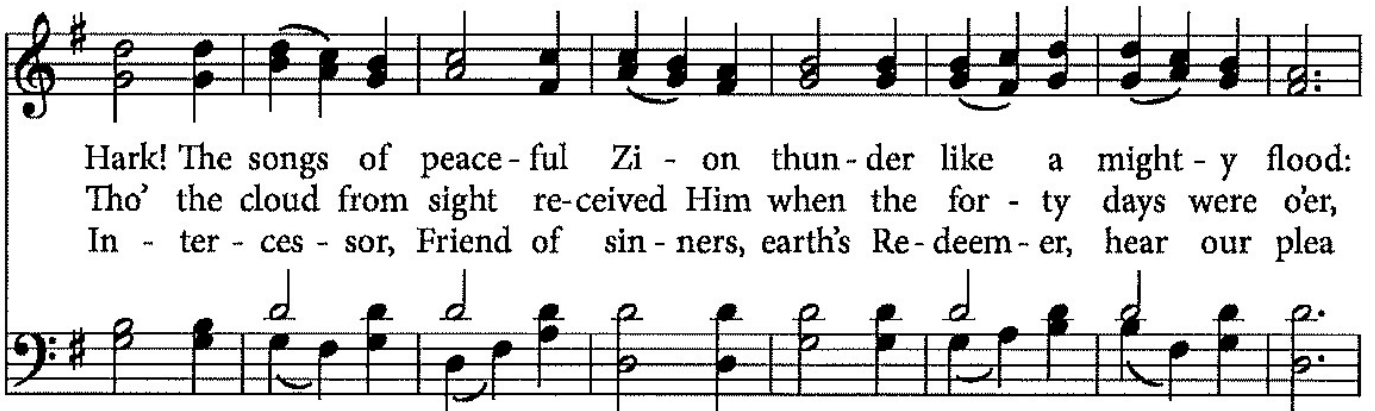
ALLELUIA! SING TO JESUS



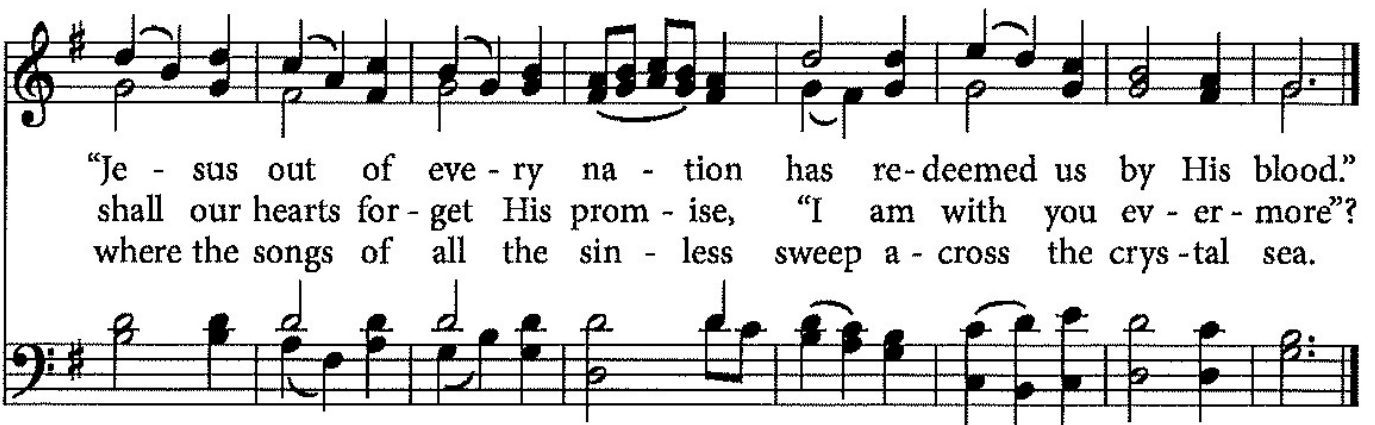
1. Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the scep - ter, His the throne.
2. Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now.
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, here on earth our food, our stay.



Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us; faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
Al - le - lu - ia! Here the sin - ful flee to You from day to day.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood:
Tho' the cloud from sight re - ceived Him when the for - ty days were o'er,
In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, hear our plea



"Je - sus out of eve - ry na - tion has re - deemed us by His blood."
shall our hearts for - get His prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.

READING AND PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

Dr. Jon Jacobs— *"Raised"* (1 Corinthians 15:25-49)

PRAYER For Application of the Word

†BENEDICTION / RESPONSE *Praise God from whom all blessings flow;*
(Doxology) *Praise Him, all creatures here below;*
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†POSTLUDE *If you have questions about today's message, salvation through Jesus Christ, or our church, several of our Elders will be at the front of the Sanctuary following the Benediction.*

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

ADULT CONTINUING EDUCATION (9:15 am)

"Redemption Accomplished and Applied"—Led by Jerry Pedine in Classroom A.
"Distinctives of Grace"— Led by Christian Brewer in Classroom B.
"Rejoicing in Christ"—Led by Andre Schoeffler in the Fellowship Hall.

ReformerZ (YOUTH) SUNDAY SCHOOL (9:15 am in the Youth Room)

The Westminster Confessions of Faith. The Youth will be studying both the Shorter and Longer Catechisms.

CHILDREN AND NURSERY (9:15 am in the Kids Room)

Nursery (3-36 months). Childcare provided in the infant nursery. Classroom D
Children (3-11 years). Generations of Grace curriculum is used. Students memorize catechism questions which introduce them to the doctrines of the faith.

WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE (Child care available)

ADULT BIBLE STUDY (6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall)

"Rethinking the Book of Revelation" led by Dr. Jacobs during April

ReformerZ - (6:30 pm in the Youth Room)

The youth will study what the Bible teaches about justification and how we can be assured of our salvation in Christ.

Covenant Kids- (6:30 pm in Classroom B) - The class is modeled after a Sunday morning worship service. The children learn and memorize the catechisms, learn hymns, read the scripture, pray and close with a doxology.

ELDERS / CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Listed below are the Elders of Grace, with their areas of oversight. If you have special needs, contact your Elder. Last names beginning with

A-B: Andy Williams (Treasurer)
C-G: Jerry Pedine (Education, Youth, Clerk of Session)
H-M: Andre Schoeffler (Deacons)
N-R: Scott Tallman (Sacraments)
S-V: Keith Matthews (Missions)
W-Z: Doug Brownsberger (Members and Visitors, Fellowship)

DEACONS

Kurt Spangenberg (Chairman),
Leonard Celaya, Mike Fann,
Jonathan Riley, Jacob Wallace,
Mike Ziegenbein

COFFEE is served from 9:00 until 9:15, and from 10:00 until 10:15 each Sunday morning. We ask that food and drink not be brought into the Sanctuary.

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ASSISTED HEARING DEVICES
Wireless hearing units are available on the table near the sound booth.