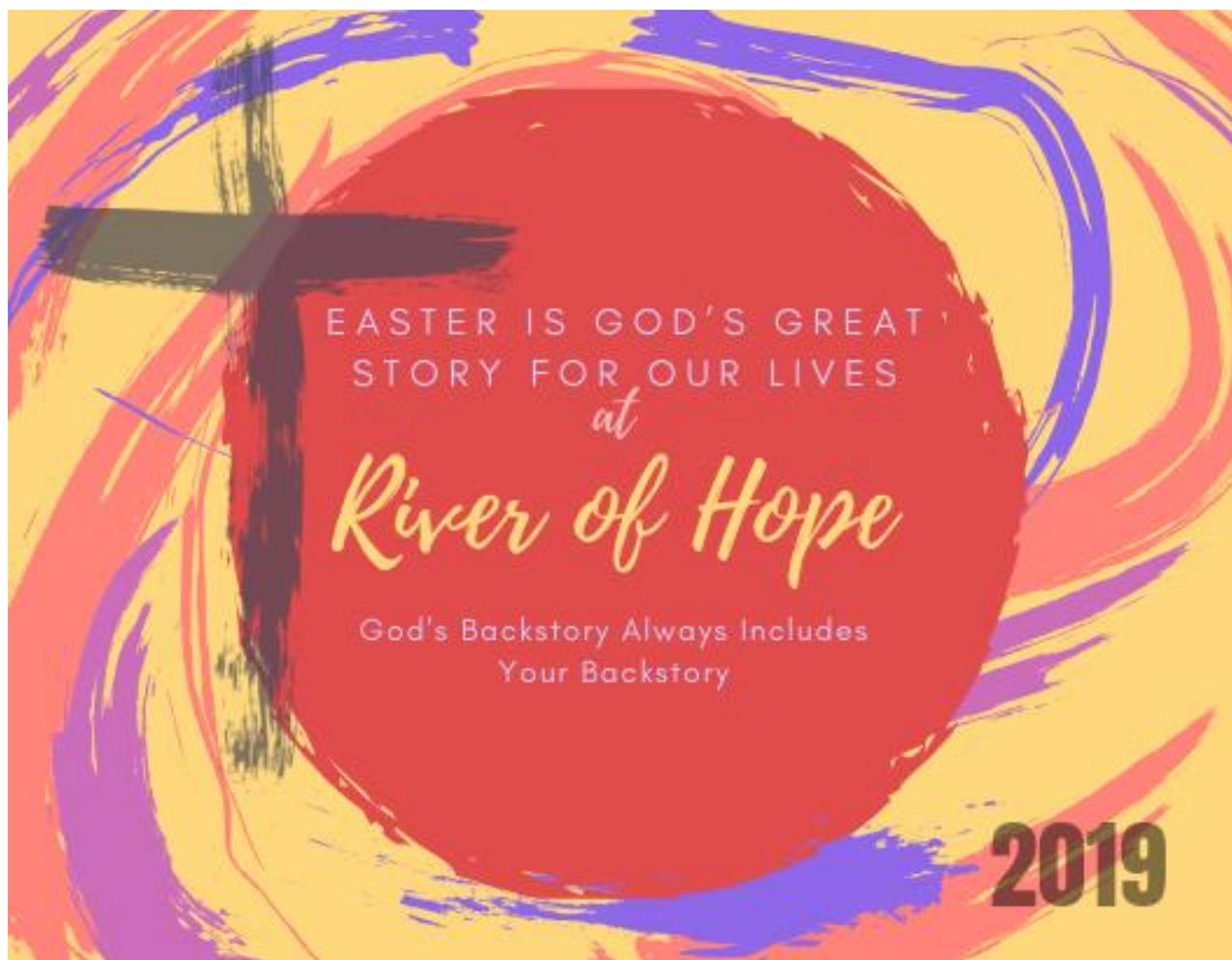


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*Easter is God's Great Story for our Lives*

April 21, 2019  
Easter Sunday Worship at 10:30am



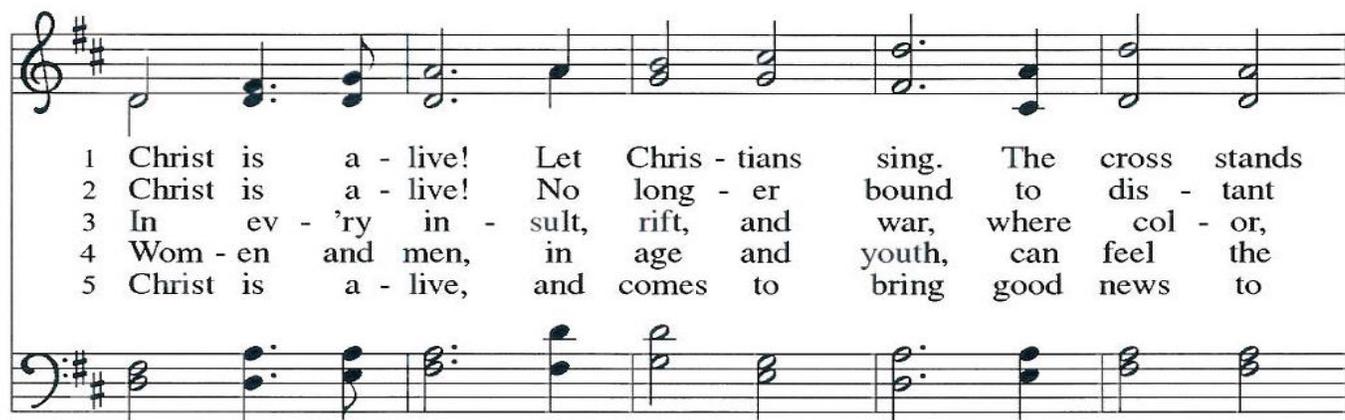
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# Gathering

Music to Prepare Us For Worship

Gathering Songs – “Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing” & “My Redeemer Lives”

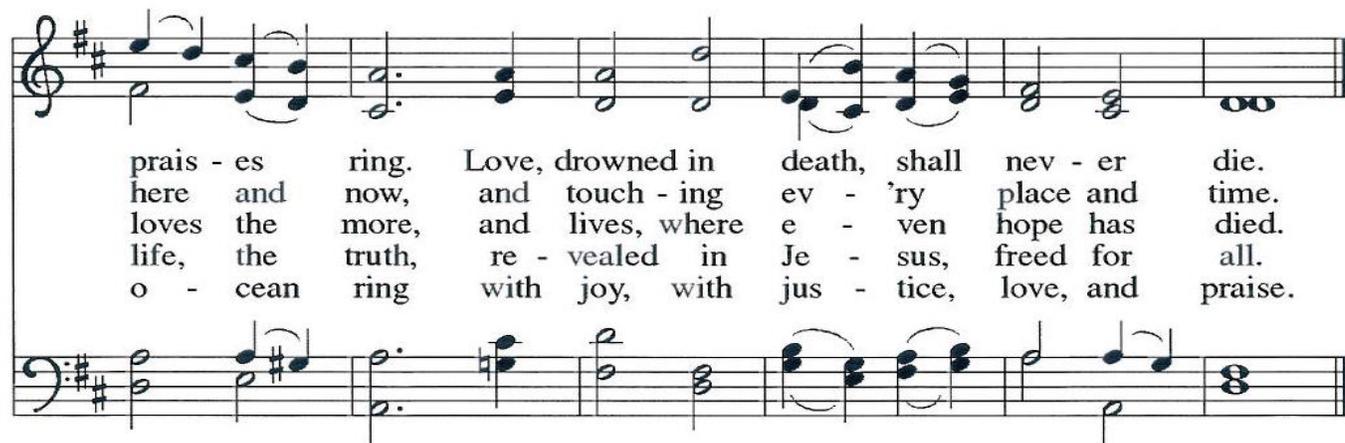
# Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
 this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789

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# My Redeemer Lives

Words and Music by  
Reuben Morgan

$\text{♩} = 138$  **VERSE**  
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I know He res-cued my soul, — His blood has  
My shame He's tak - en a - way, — my pain is



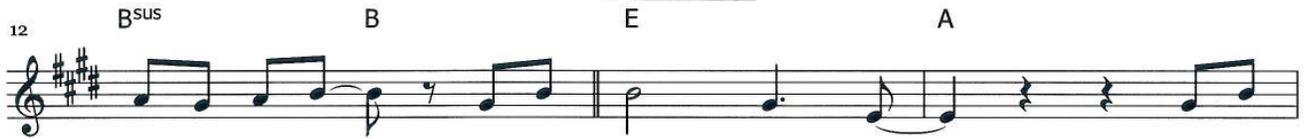
cov-ered my sin. — I be-lieve, — I be-lieve; —  
healed in His name. — I be-lieve, — I be-lieve. —

**PRE-CHORUS**



I'll raise a ban - ner, 'cause my Lord has

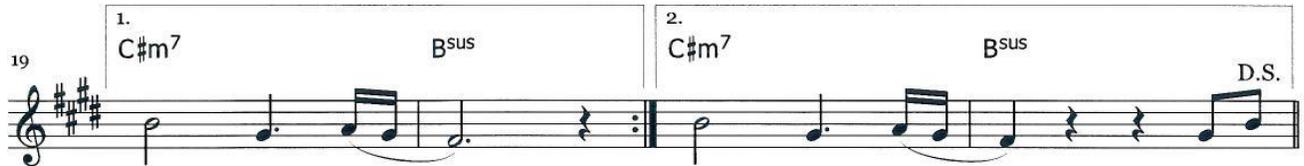
**CHORUS**



con-quired the grave. — My Re - deem - er lives, — my Re -



-deem - er lives; — My Re - deem - er lives, — my Re -



-deem - er lives. — deem - er lives. — My Re -

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23 <sup>3.</sup> C#m<sup>7</sup> B<sup>SUS</sup> BRIDGE D  
 deem - er lives. \_\_\_\_\_ You lift my bur - dens,

27 A/C# E/B  
 I'll rise with You; \_\_\_\_\_ I'm danc - ing on \_\_\_\_\_ this moun -

30 F#m<sup>7</sup> E/G# B<sup>SUS</sup> B D.S. al Coda  
 - tain - top \_\_\_\_\_ to see Your king - dom come. \_\_\_\_\_ My Re -

34  $\oplus$  Coda C#m<sup>7</sup> B E  
 deem - er lives. \_\_\_\_\_

### Call to Worship

Pastor: Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.

ALL: **He is not here; for he has been raised,**

Pastor: Then go quickly and tell his disciples,

ALL: **"He has been raised from the dead, and he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him."**

Pastor: Jesus is risen, alleluia! Alleluia!

ALL: **Jesus is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Introduce the Theme with Kids – Alleluia Ribbons

Welcome, River Source, Connection Cards

## No Longer Strangers Prayer

God of the Stranger, **Help us to see you alive in all who we meet, especially those we might fear. Transform our fear into hope so that we can love the stranger, the enemy, the friend. Your miracle of love is present in each one. Amen.**

## Meet Someone New

*Tell someone about a memorable Easter Sunday, Easter outfit, or Easter egg hunt.*

Bridge and Chorus of "My Redeemer Lives" to bring people back together.

## Confession and Forgiveness

Let us confess that God is God and we are not.

**If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we speak the truth of who we are, we are reminded once again of how madly God loves us.**

## *Silence for confession*

God of mercy,

**We confess that we don't have everything figured out. We confess that we are not holy like you are holy. We confess that we try to not need you. We confess that we try to not need each other. Forgive us for the ways in which we do not act like your beloved children and bring us again to resurrection.**

Hear this Good News:

God who is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love – loves you as you are. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ and by his authority, I declare to you – you are forgiven! Your sin is as far removed as the east is from the west. You are not defined by your mistakes. Your story is God's story and so you are transformed and made new. You, each of you, a beloved Child of God. **Amen!**

**Alleluia!**

## Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the community of the Holy Spirit is with you all.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray,

Author of Life, **the story just gets started today. Remind us to have no fear, for you are with us. You will never give up on us. What a gift! Thank you! Alleluia! Thank you! Amen.**

# The Story – Rapid River Players

Narrator: Today, God’s backstory becomes the story of our life as found in Matthew 28:1-10

## Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional

**Narrator:** After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women,

**Angel:** “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.”

**Narrator:** So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said,

**Jesus:** “Greetings!”

**Narrator:** And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them,

**Jesus:** “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

NARRATOR: Stay tuned for the continuing backstory that mixes together our backstory with God's.

ALL: **Alleluia! Alleluia! Jesus is risen!**

(Sing *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah* again)

## Halle, Halle, Hallelujah

Hal-le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah.

Music: Caribbean traditional

Sermon

Song "Hallelujah"

# HALLELUJAH

Music by Leonard Cohen

Adapted for Easter with Lyrics by Kelly Mooney

A crown of thorns placed on His head He knew that He would soon be dead  
He said did you forget me Father did you?  
They nailed Him to a wooden cross soon all the world would feel the loss  
Of Christ the King before His Hallelujah.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

He hung His head and prepared to die Then lifted His face up to the sky  
Said I am coming home now Father to you.  
A reed which held His final sip was gently lifted to his lips  
He drank His last and gave His soul to glory.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

The soldier who had used his sword to pierce the body of our Lord  
Said truly this is Jesus Christ our Savior.  
He looked with fear upon his sword then turned to face his Christ and Lord  
Fell to his knees crying Hallelujah.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Took from his head the thorny crown and wrapped him in a linen gown  
And laid him down to rest inside the tomb.  
The holes in his hands, his feet and side now in our hearts we know he died  
To save us from ourselves oh hallelujah.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

Three days went by again they came to move the stone to bless the slain  
With oil and spice anointing hallelujah.  
But as they went to move the stone they saw that they were not alone  
But Jesus Christ has risen Hallelujah.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.  
Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah.

## Prayers of the People

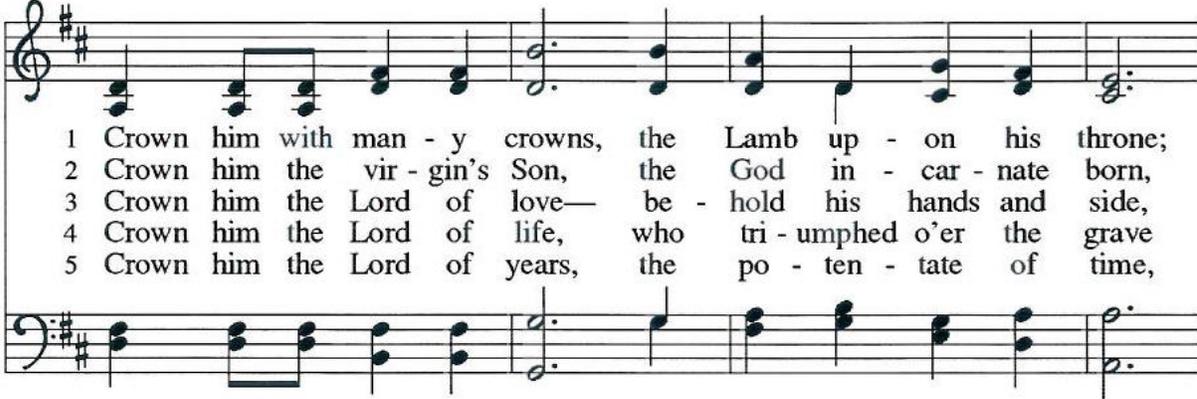
God, author of our story,  
**transform our fear into new life.**

## Offering

*We are grateful for your financial gifts; it's the only way churches are churches. Set up automatic giving by using the green folded paper you were given on your way in or go to our website, [riverofhopehutchins.org](http://riverofhopehutchins.org) click "give" and go from there. Today you are invited to use the envelope to make a donation to Operation Hope. Above all, we give thanks to God for however it is you give back to the world God made.*

Offering Song "Crown Him with Many Crowns" verse 1

# Crown Him with Many Crowns



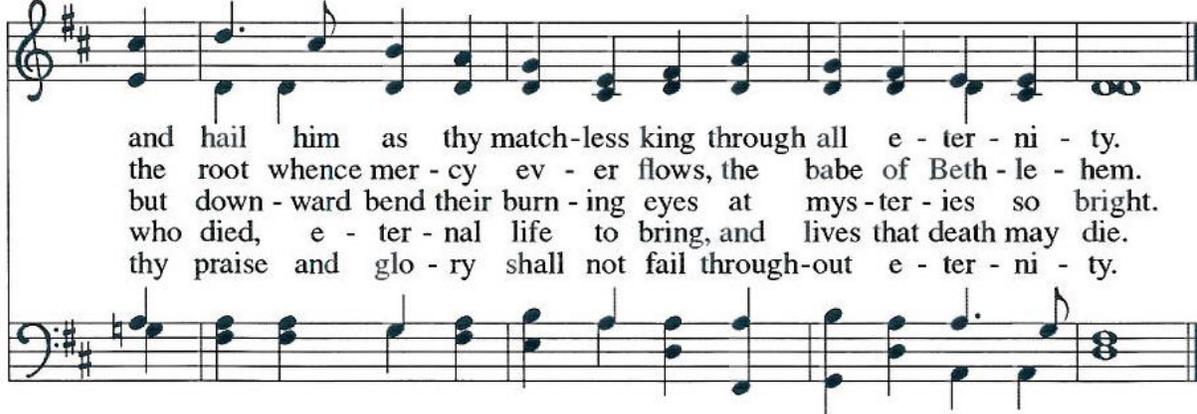
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,  
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,  
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
 whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;  
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

# THE FEAST

## Setting the Table

*As the kids help set the table, they make a circle around the table and lead the congregation in the table prayer written by Martin Luther:*

Let's pray: **Come, Lord Jesus, be our guest. And let these gifts to us be blest. Blest be God who is our bread, may all the world be clothed and fed. Amen.**

## The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord is with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

O God most mighty,  
O God most merciful,  
O God our rock and our salvation,  
hear us as we praise,  
call us to your table,  
grant us your life.

In the night when Jesus was betrayed by his best friends, he took bread. He blessed it and broke it and gave it to these same friends saying, "Take and eat. This is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup, blessed it and gave it for all to drink saying, "This is the new covenant, the new promise, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering his death,  
we cry out Amen! **Amen!**  
Celebrating his resurrection,  
we shout Amen! **Amen!**  
Trusting his presence  
in every time and place,  
we plead Amen. **Amen.**

O God, you are Breath:  
**send your Spirit on this meal.**  
O God, you are Bread:  
**feed us with yourself.**  
O God, you are Wine:  
**warm our hearts and make us one.**  
O God, you are Fire:  
**transform us with hope.**

O God most majestic,  
O God most motherly,  
O God our strength and our song,  
you show us a vision of a tree of life  
with fruits for all  
and leaves that heal the nations.  
Grant us such life,  
the life of the Father to the Son,  
and the life of the Spirit of our risen Savior,  
life in you, now and forever.

The Lord's Prayer

*You are invited to join hands with those around you in prayer. If you are not the hand-holding type, then simply fold your hands in front of you or hang onto this bulletin as you pray.*

**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 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 forever. Amen.**

Invitation to the Meal

You are welcome to this meal. It is free and it is for you. If you hunger and thirst for grace and mercy that comes through Jesus Christ, then Christ has set this table just for you.

Communion Songs/Hymns "Thine Is the Glory" & "Halleluiah, Jesus Lives"

# Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

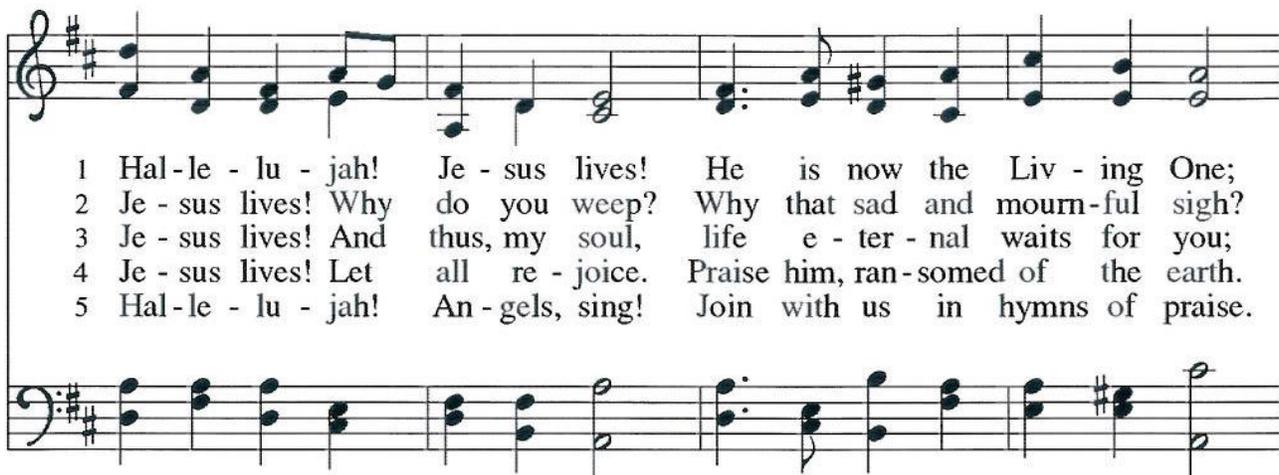
vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness  
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

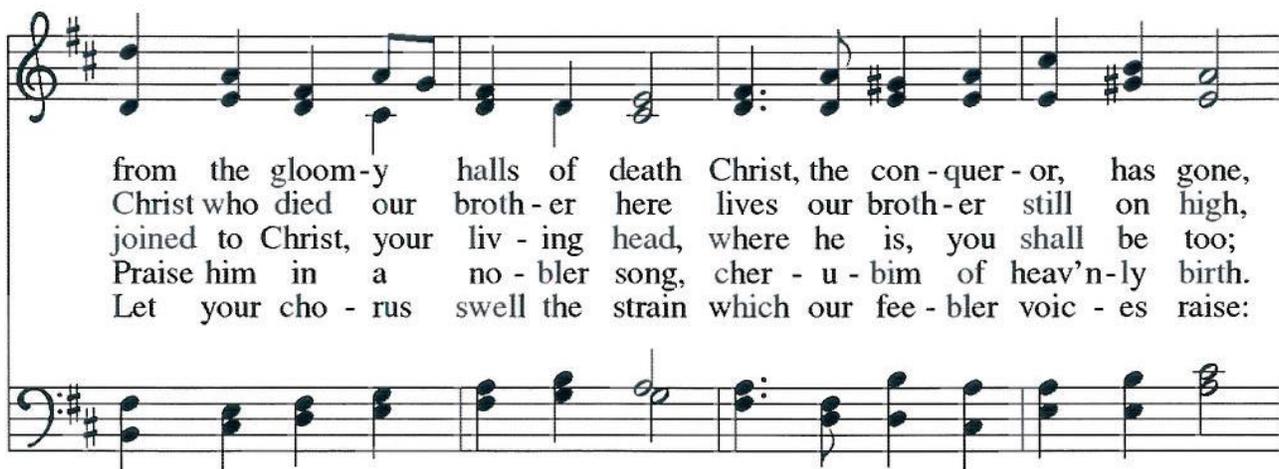
*Refrain*  
 where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

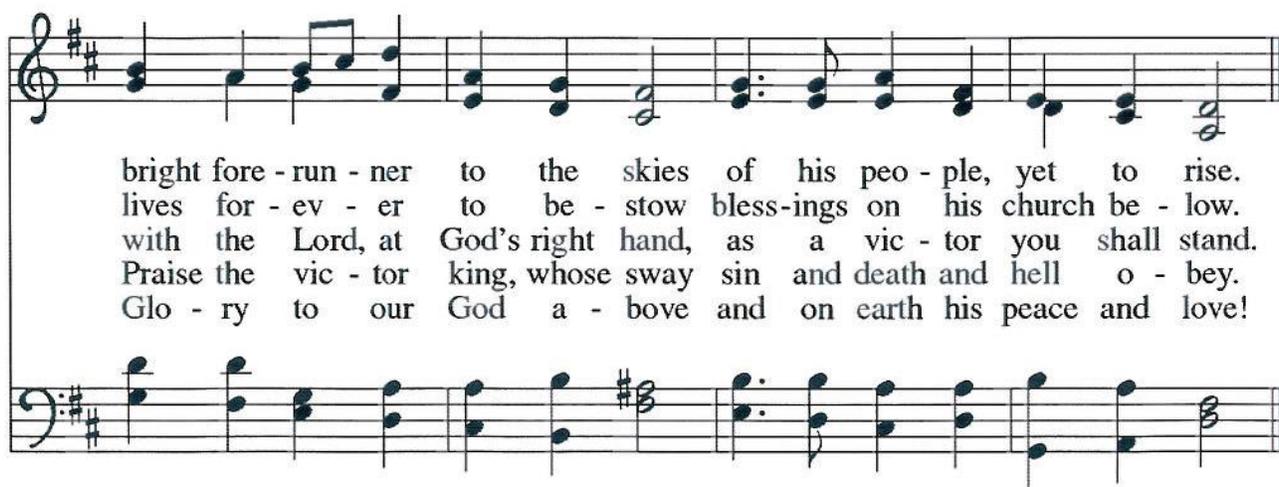
# Hallelujah! Jesus Lives!



1 Hal-le - lu - jah! Je - sus lives! He is now the Liv - ing One;  
2 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and mourn-ful sigh?  
3 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, life e - ter - nal waits for you;  
4 Je - sus lives! Let all re - joice. Praise him, ran-somed of the earth.  
5 Hal-le - lu - jah! An - gels, sing! Join with us in hymns of praise.



from the gloom-y halls of death Christ, the con - quer - or, has gone,  
Christ who died our broth - er here lives our broth - er still on high,  
joined to Christ, your liv - ing head, where he is, you shall be too;  
Praise him in a no - bler song, cher - u - bim of heav'n-ly birth.  
Let your cho - rus swell the strain which our fee - bler voic - es raise:



bright fore - run - ner to the skies of his peo - ple, yet to rise.  
lives for - ev - er to be - stow bless-ings on his church be - low.  
with the Lord, at God's right hand, as a vic - tor you shall stand.  
Praise the vic - tor king, whose sway sin and death and hell o - bey.  
Glo - ry to our God a - bove and on earth his peace and love!

Text: Carl B. Garve, 1763–1841; tr. Jane L. Borthwick, 1813–1897, alt.  
Music: FRED TIL BOD, Ludvig M. Lindeman, 1812–1887

## Blessing after Communion

May the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his peace. **Amen.**

# The Sending

Why does our church exist? What is our purpose?

**We go out to transform lives through Jesus Christ.**

MILESTONES! "Hallelujah"

**CHORUS**

8 C<sup>2</sup> G D<sup>sus</sup> Em<sup>7</sup>  
Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah,

12 C<sup>2</sup> G D<sup>sus</sup>  
Your love makes \_ me sing. Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

Hallelujah - 2

15 Em<sup>7</sup> 1, 2. C<sup>2</sup>  
- jah, Your love makes \_ me sing. 2. Your love is \_ sur - pris -  
1. Your love is \_ a - maz -

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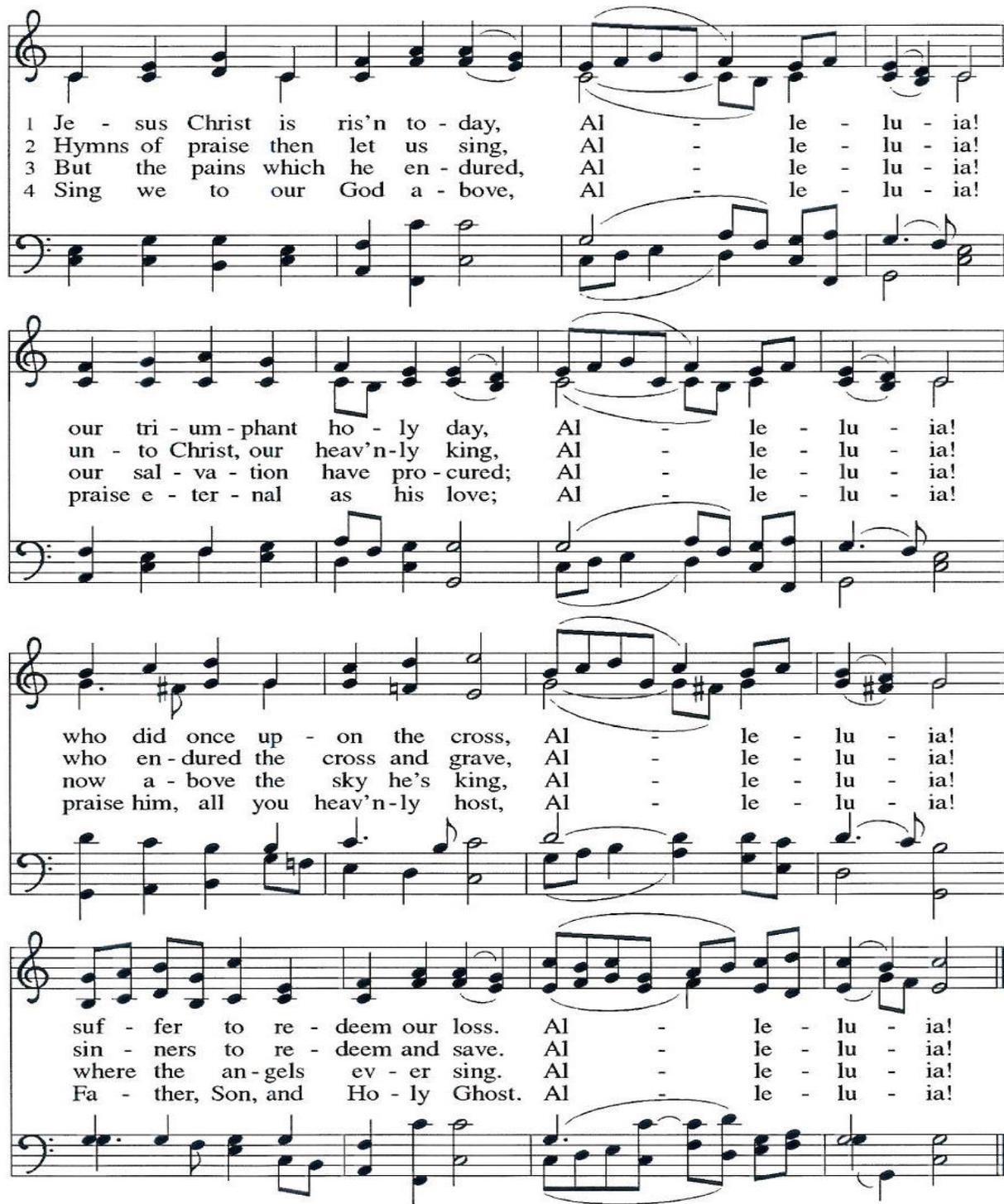
## Blessing

You, Child of God, have sung and spoken and prayed and sung and eaten the Good News of Jesus Christ.

May this love you have participated in with all of your body and heart and mind go with you freely into the world to be shared extravagantly. **Amen! Alleluia! Amen!**

Sending Song "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"  
 (Kids parade with Alleluia Ribbons and/or rhythm instruments)

## 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 en - dured, 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 you 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!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4  
 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

Go in peace – serve the Lord!  
**Alleluia! Alleluia! Thanks be to God**

Music to Send You Out

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