



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 12, 2020 | **Sanctuary Service** | *Easter Sunday*

Resurrection Sunday

April 12, 2020

Order of Worship

Prelude

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
arr. Marilyn Ham

Welcome and announcements

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

*** Call to worship**

based on Revelation 5:9b, 12

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: With his blood, Jesus Christ has ransomed men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

All: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

* Hymn of praise

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

1."Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day,"— Al - le - lu - ia!
 2.Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;— Al - le - lu - ia!
 3.Lives a - gain our glo - rious King;— 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!
 Christ has burst the gates of hell;— Al - le - lu - ia!
 where, O death, is now thy sting?— 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!
 death in vain for - bids his rise; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died, our souls to save; 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!
 Christ has_ o - pened par - a - dise.— Al - le - lu - ia!
 where thy_ vic - to - ry, O grave?— Al - le - lu - ia!
 ours_ the_ cross, the grave, the skies,— Al - le - lu - ia!

*** Prayer of adoration**

*** Affirmation of faith**

from the Heidelberg Catechism, question 45

Leader: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

All: First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that we might share in the righteousness he won for us by his death.

Second, by his power we too are already now resurrected to a new life.

Third, Christ's resurrection is a guarantee of our glorious resurrection. This is our faith and hope. Alleluia, amen.

Call to confession

1 John 1:5-9

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from 1 Peter 1 and 1 Corinthians 6

Leader: You know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

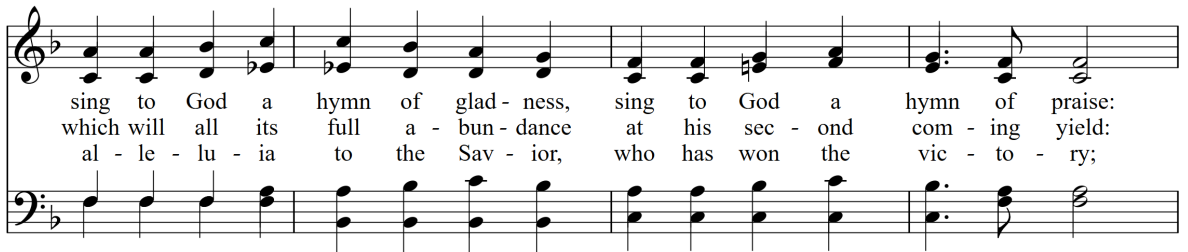
All: For by his power God raised the Lord from the dead, and he will raise us also. Thanks be to God!

* Hymn of assurance

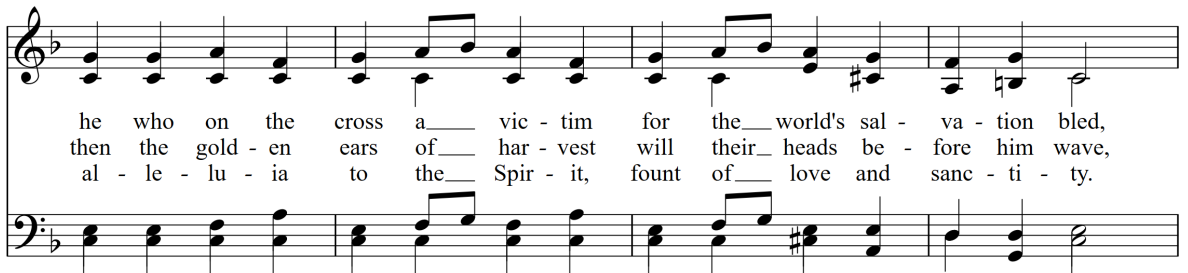
“Alleluia! Alleluia!”



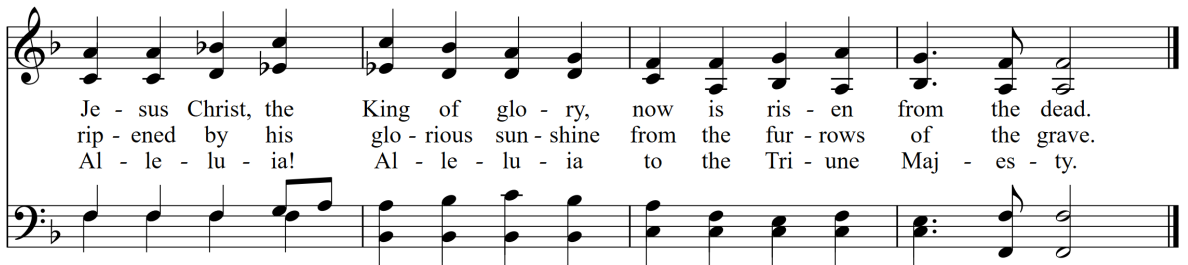
1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise;
 2. Christ is ris - en, Christ the first - fruits of the ho - ly har - vest field,
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;



sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise:
 which will all its full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:
 al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior, who has won the vic - to - ry;



he who on the cross a vic - tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their heads be - fore him wave,
 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.
 rip - ened by his glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia to the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.

text by Christopher Wordsworth, 1862; music by Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; ODE TO JOY

* Scripture reading from John 20:1-18

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ²So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" ³So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter, who was behind him, arrived and went into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷as well as the burial cloth that had been around Jesus' head. The cloth was folded up by itself, separate from the linen. ⁸Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes,

¹¹but Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹²and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. ¹⁵"Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said, "Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet returned to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am returning to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

“From Tears to Triumph”
Brian Salter, lead pastor

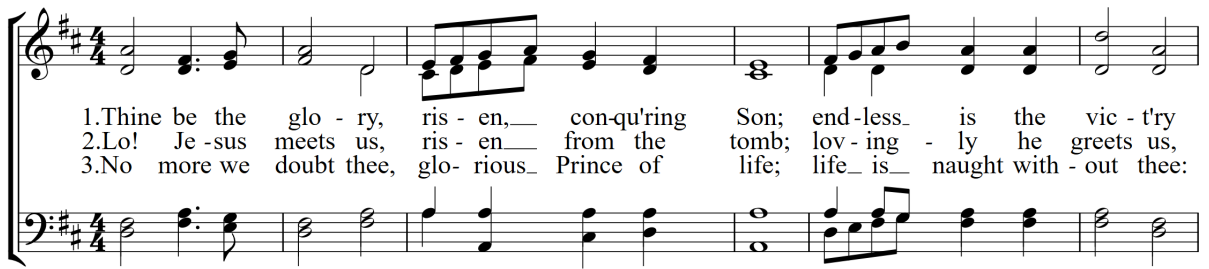
The first Easter Sunday —

1. **brought confusion:** Look at the disciples running to an empty tomb. (vv. 1-10)
2. **deepened grief:** Look at Mary crying with a heavy heart. (vv. 11-15)
3. **restored hope:** Look at Mary seeing her risen Savior. (vv. 16-18)

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

"Thine Be the Glory"



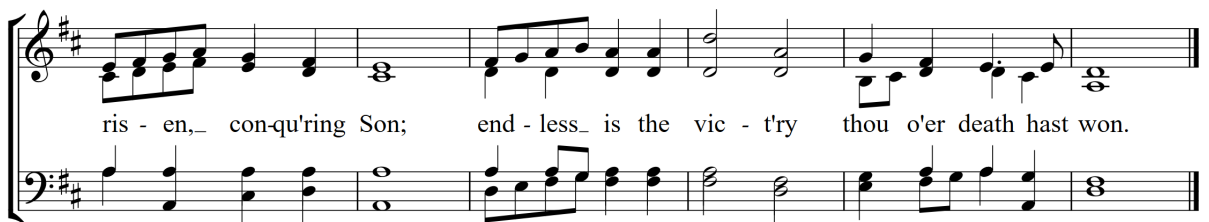
1.Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end-less is the vic - t'ry
2.Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he greets us,
3.No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with - out thee:



thou o'er death has won; an - gels in bright rai - ment rolled the stone a - way,
scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness, hymns of tri - umph sing,
aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors, thro' thy death-less love:



kept the fold - ed grave clothes, where thy bod - y lay. Thine be the glo - ry,
for her Lord now liv - eth, death hath lost its sting.
bring us safe thro' Jor - dan to thy home a - bove.



ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won.

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

“Threefold Amen”

* **Postlude**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”
arr. Kenon Renfrow

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this service:

Joel Christie – vocalist

David Henry – vocalist, trumpet

Joshua Knight – piano

Maddie Lee – vocalist

Hannah Lutz – viola

Stephanie Wharton – vocalist

IN MEMORIAM

Callie Esther Hamm

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