

IMMANUEL
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 12, 2020



RISEN

WE APPROACH GOD IN WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord our God, whose goodness and steadfast love endures forever! Israel said and we say:

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: The Lord is my strength, my power, and my salvation.

People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: I thank you, O God, for you answered me and have become my salvation.

People: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

Leader: This is the Lord our God's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

People: This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Based on Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

THE SYMBOLS OF THE RESURRECTION

THE SHROUD

Angela Wisdom

Reader: This reminds us of the cloth in which they wrapped the body of Jesus. On Easter morning it was found empty, lying in the tomb where Christ's body had been placed. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE FRAGRANT OIL

Heather Reyes

Reader: This fragrance reminds us that very early on Easter Day some women came to the tomb to prepare Jesus' body for proper burial. The women were the first to hear of Jesus' resurrection. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE STONE

Andy Le Peau

Reader: This stone reminds us that on the resurrection morning, the stone that sealed the tomb was rolled away. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE CANDLE

Carter Klassen

Reader: This candle reminds us that Jesus Christ is the light of the world. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE CROSS

George Garrison

Reader: The cross you see is an empty cross. Jesus is not dead. He is risen. Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

ANTHEM: *Psalm for Easter Day*

Richard Prouix

Join in singing refrain.

This is the day the Lord has made;
let us re-joice, let us be glad.

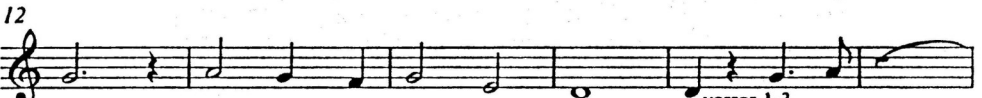
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1. Oh to see the dawn of the dark-est day: Christ on the
 2. Oh to see the pain writ-ten on Your face, Bear-ing the
 3. Now the day-light flees, Now the ground be-neath Quakes as its
 4. Oh to see my name writ-ten in the wounds For through Your



road to Cal-va-ry. Tried by sin-ful men, Torn and beat-en,
 awe-some weight of sin. Ev'-ry bit-ter thought, ev'-ry e-vil
 mak-er bows his head. Cur-tain torn in two, dead are raised to
 suf-fring I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to



then nailed to a cross of wood. ^{verses 1-3} This the power
 deed Crown-ing Your blood-stained brow.
 life. 'Fin-ished!' the vic-tory cry. ^{verse 4} This the power
 live Won through Your self-less love!



of the cross: Christ be-came sin for us.
 of the cross. Son of God Slain for



took the blame, bore the
 us. What a name what a



wrath We stand for-giv-en at the cross.
 cost We stand for-giv-en at the cross.

INVOCATION

EASTER GREETING

Leader: The Lord is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed.**

All: **Alleluia! Amen.**

HYMN: *Lift High the Cross*

(Please ring bells during refrain.)

George W. Kitchin, 1827-1912
Michael R. Newbolt, 1874-1956

CRUCIFER
Sydney H. Nicholson, 1875-1947

Refrain



All: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim Till



all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



All: 1. Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,
Men: 2. Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
Choir: 3. All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied
Women: 4. O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
All: 5. So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

All repeat Refrain



Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.
Bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
As thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
Praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

Leader: O God, like the first witnesses of the resurrection, we too, come to the empty tomb with a variety of responses. We hear the good news that Jesus has risen, but so often the evidence for this is difficult to detect in our lives.

People: Forgive us when we fail to make the risen Christ evident through our words, our actions, our lives.

Leader: As we come to the empty tomb seeking forgiveness for all our faults and shortcomings, help us to re-order our priorities so that we put the risen Christ first in our lives at all times.

People: Forgive us when we forget that the tomb is forever empty because Jesus is here and is wherever Christians live and worship.

Leader: Help us always to remember the costly act of Jesus Christ that led to victory over sin and death, an act that gives us the gift of a new beginning, guilt-free and graced by love. The tomb is empty because Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia. Amen!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE AND FORGIVENESS

Leader: Jesus “is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name” (*Acts 10:42-43*). Hear, believe, and live the good news. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

Leader: Let us declare our faith in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ:

SUNG ACCLAMATION

**All: He is Lord, he is Lord, he is risen from the dead, and he is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.
He is King, he is King, he will draw all nations to him; he is King!
And the time shall be when the world shall sing that Jesus Christ is King.
He is Love, he is Love, he has shown us by his life that he is Love!
All his people sing with one voice of joy that Jesus Christ is Love!
He is Life, he is Life, he has died to set us free, and he is life!
And he calls us all to live evermore, for Jesus Christ is life.**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

PASTORAL PRAYER

HYMN: *Resurrection Hymn*

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1. See ___ what a morn - ing, glo - rious-ly bright, with the
2. See ___ Mar - y weep - ing, "Where ___ is He laid?" as in
3. One ___ with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the

3
dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem.
sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb.
Spir - it who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty.

5
Fold - ed the grave clothes, tomb ___ filled with light, as the
Hears ___ a voice speak - ing, call - ing her name. It's the
7 Hon - or and bless - ing, glo - ry and praise to the

7
an - gels an - nounce "Christ is ris - en!"
Mas - ter, the Lord, raised to life ___ a - gain!
9 King, crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty!

9
See God's sal - va - tion ___ plan wrought in
The voice that spans the ___ years, speak - ing
11 And we are raised with ___ Him, death is

11
love, borne in pain, paid in sac - ri - fice. Ful - filled in
life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing peace_ to us -- will sound till
14 dead, love has won, Christ has con - quered. And we shall

14
Christ the _Man, for He lives, Christ is ris-en from the dead.
He ap - pears, for He lives, Christ is ris-en from the dead.
reign with_Him, for He lives, Christ is ris-en from the dead.

WE HEAR GOD SPEAK

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: *Psalm 118:14-24*

- ¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my defense;
he has become my salvation.
¹⁵ Shouts of joy and victory
resound in the tents of the righteous:
“The Lord’s right hand has done mighty things!
¹⁶ The Lord’s right hand is lifted high;
the Lord’s right hand has done mighty things!”
¹⁷ I will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the Lord has done.
¹⁸ The Lord has chastened me severely,
but he has not given me over to death.
¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.
²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord
through which the righteous may enter.
²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.
²² The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
²³ the Lord has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
²⁴ The Lord has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad. NIV

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURES:

Reader: *Alva Steffler*

John 11:17-44

¹⁷ On his arrival, Jesus found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb for four days. ¹⁸ Now Bethany was less than two miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁹ and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to comfort them in the loss of their brother. ²⁰ When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went out to meet him, but Mary stayed at home.

²¹ “Lord,” Martha said to Jesus, “if you had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² But I know that even now God will give you whatever you ask.”

²³ Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”

²⁴ Martha answered, “I know he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.”

²⁵ Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; ²⁶ and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?”

²⁷ “Yes, Lord,” she replied, “I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, who is to come into the world.”

²⁸ After she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary aside. “The Teacher is here,” she said, “and is asking for you.” ²⁹ When Mary heard this, she got up quickly and went to him. ³⁰ Now Jesus had not yet entered the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. ³¹ When the Jews who had been with Mary in the house, comforting her, noticed how quickly she got up and went out, they followed her, supposing she was going to the tomb to mourn there.

³² When Mary reached the place where Jesus was and saw him, she fell at his feet and said, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.”

³³ When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who had come along with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled. ³⁴ “Where have you laid him?” he asked. “Come and see, Lord,” they replied.

³⁵ Jesus wept.

³⁶ Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”

³⁷ But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

³⁸ Jesus, once more deeply moved, came to the tomb. It was a cave with a stone laid across the entrance. ³⁹ “Take away the stone,” he said.

“But, Lord,” said Martha, the sister of the dead man, “by this time there is a bad odor, for he has been there four days.”

⁴⁰ Then Jesus said, “Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?”

⁴¹ So they took away the stone. Then Jesus looked up and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me. ⁴² I knew that you always hear me, but I said this for the benefit of the people standing here, that they may believe that you sent me.”

⁴³ When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” ⁴⁴ The dead man came out, his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face.

Jesus said to them, “Take off the grave clothes and let him go.”

1 Corinthians 15:50-55

⁵⁰ I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹ Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— ⁵² in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. ⁵⁴ When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”

⁵⁵ “Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?”

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

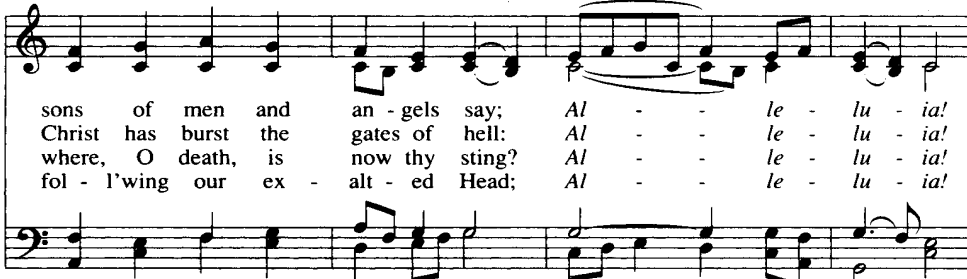
SERMON: *The Focus of the Resurrection*

WE ARE DISMISSED TO LOVE AND SERVE

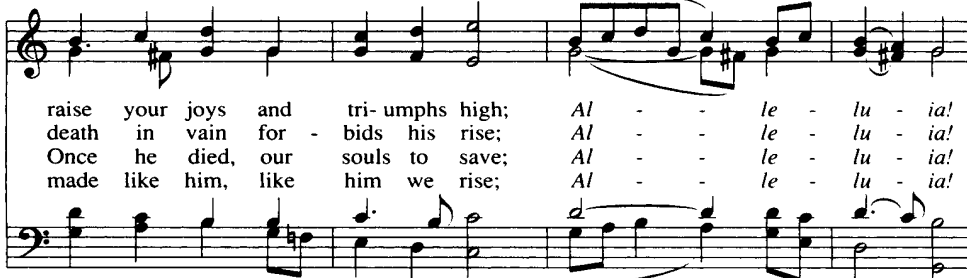
CLOSING HYMN: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* (Ring bells during the "alleluias.")




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!

Charles Wesley, 1739

BENEDICTION

EASTER GREETING

Pastor: The Lord is risen!
He is risen indeed.
Alleluia! Amen.

TODAY

If you have concerns or need prayer, Sheroll Ritchie is available by phone (773) 551-4568 or email sorichie@gmail.com

Thanks to our musicians: Immanuel choir, Immanuel brass, Durbin family, Mary Hopper, John Zimmerman.

The Food Pantry is closed today.

There are no Adult Ed classes today and no youth group tonight.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday Food Pantry open 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Bible studies will meet on Zoom.
Men's Book group meets on Zoom

WITNESSES TO THE RESURRECTION

“Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of those who die faithful to him.”

Psalm 116:15

Rev. Bob Harvey and JoAnn Harvey
Pastor and friend of Immanuel

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Wife to Steve Cornell

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Son-in-law to Steve Cornell

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Parents of SharonCornell

Who We Seek to Be

In our love for Christ and guided by God's Word we seek to be a community of

Joyful Worship, thoughtfully centered in the wonder and wisdom of the living God and celebrating the diversity of the body of Christ.

Loving Fellowship, encouraging and serving one another in the unifying love of the Holy Spirit.

Life-changing Learning, biblically-based preaching and teaching to equip children, youth, and adults to grow in their relationship with God.

Enthusiastic Service, reflecting the servant heart of Jesus as we proclaim the gospel near and far in word and deed.

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