

# ORDER OF WORSHIP April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE

# **^Easter Greeting and Resurrection Proclamation**

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Hear the joyous news! On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb.

# Hallelujah!

And the women departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy. And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Hail!"

#### Hallelujah!

And Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. And she said, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." Saying this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. And Jesus said to her, "Mary." And she turned and said to him, "Master."

# Hallelujah!

That very day, two of the disciples were going to a village named Emmaus. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. And they recognized him in the breaking of the bread.

#### Hallelujah!

On the evening of that day, the doors being shut where the disciples were, Jesus came and stood among them, and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

#### Hallelujah!

Simon Peter said unto the disciples, "I am going fishing. They said to him, "We will go with you." And that night they caught nothing. But just as the day was breaking, Jesus stood on the beach. And the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord."

# Hallelujah!

We were dead in our trespasses and sins – but God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace we have been saved – and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus.

#### Hallelujah!

The tomb is empty!

#### Sound the trumpets!

The Lord is Risen!

### Sound the trumpets!

Let all the world rejoice!

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# **^Hymn** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Christ, the Lord, is risen today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids His rise, Alleluia! Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia! Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and Heaven, Alleluia! Praise to Thee by both be given, Alleluia! Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia! Hail, the resurrection, thou, Alleluia!

King of glory, Soul of bliss, Alleluia! Everlasting life is this, Alleluia! Thee to know, Thy power to prove, Alleluia! Thus to sing and thus to love, Alleluia!

**Psalm 118: 1-9, 14-17, 21-24, 27-29** "A Song of Victory"

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his steadfast love endures for ever!

Let Israel say,

'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

Let the house of Aaron say,

'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

Let those who fear the Lord say,

'His steadfast love endures for ever.'

Out of my distress I called on the Lord;

the Lord answered me and set me in a broad place.

With the Lord on my side I do not fear.

What can mortals do to me?

The Lord is on my side to help me;

I shall look in triumph on those who hate me.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord

than to put confidence in mortals.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord

than to trust in princes.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

the right hand of the Lord is exalted;

the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

I shall not die, but I shall live,

and recount the deeds of the Lord.

I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

The Lord is God,

and he has given us light.

Bind the festal procession with branches,

up to the horns of the altar.

You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;

you are my God, I will praise you.

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures for ever.

# **Prayer**

#### **Scripture Reading**

#### Meditation

#### The Great Thanksgiving and Holy Communion

**^Hymn of Celebration** "Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

- Easter People, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring. Christ has brought us heaven's choices; Heavenly music, let it ring. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Easter people let us sing.
- 2. Fear of death can no more stop us from our pressing here below. For our Lord empowered us to triumph over every foe. Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! On to victory now we go.
- 3. Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.
  When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong.
  Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! See the power of heavenly throngs.

# **^Benediction and The Passing of the Peace**