

# WORSHIP TOGETHER

for the week beginning April 4, 2021



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where all can experience  
meaningful relationship with God,  
grow in Christ, and  
reach out in love to others;  
a community where  
all can love and be loved  
and be accepted  
as you are”*

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# our gathering

## Welcome

### Prelude

#### The Mourning (John 20:1)

##### **“Up from the Grave He Arose”**

No. 322 (v. 1, no refrain), *The United Methodist Hymnal*

Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,  
waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

#### The Investigation (John 20:2-10)

##### **“Up from the Grave He Arose”**

No. 322 (v. 2, no refrain), *The United Methodist Hymnal*

Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior;  
vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

#### The Encounter (John 20:11-20)

##### **“Up from the Grave He Arose”**

No. 322 (v. 3, w/ refrain), *The United Methodist Hymnal*

Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior;  
he tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

Up from the grave he arose,  
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;  
he arose a victor from the dark domain,  
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.  
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

## **Easter Acclamation**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**  
Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## **“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”**

No. 302, *The United Methodist Hymnal* CCLI#11179170

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus 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 him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has 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 has 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!

# our reading & reflection

## 1 Corinthians 15:51-58

*Common English Bible*

### Reflection

## After-death: Where is Death's Sting

Pastor Jacob

### “Thine Be the Glory”

No. 308, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

Thine be the glory,  
risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory  
thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment  
rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded grave clothes  
where thy body lay.

[Refrain:]

Thine be the glory,  
risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory  
thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets thee,  
risen from the tomb;  
lovingly he greets thee,  
scatters fear and gloom.  
Let the church with gladness  
hymns of triumph sing,  
for our Lord now liveth;  
death hath lost its sting. (Refrain)

No more we doubt thee,  
glorious Prince of life!  
Life is naught without thee;  
aid us in our strife.  
Make us more than conquerors,  
through thy deathless love;  
bring us safe through Jordan  
to thy home above. (Refrain)

# our prayers

Voice 1: God of us all, your love never ends.  
When all else fails, you still are God.  
We pray for one another in our need,  
and for all, anywhere—  
in our world,  
in our community and neighborhoods,  
our friends and family—  
who need your love and presence now.

Voice 2: **Let us begin by offering our prayers for the world.**

*Silence is kept.*

**Let us pray for our communities and neighborhoods.**

*Silence is kept.*

**Let us pray for our friends and families.**

*Silence is kept.*

**Let us pray for ourselves.**

*Silence is kept.*

Voice 1: To all those who doubt, give light;  
to those who are weak, strength;  
to all who have sinned, mercy;  
to all who sorrow, your peace.  
Keep true in us  
the love with which we hold one another.  
In all our ways we trust you.  
And to you,  
with your Church on earth and in heaven,  
we offer honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

**ALL: God of love, we thank you  
for all which you have blessed us  
even to this day:  
for the gift of joy in days of health and strength  
and for the gifts of your abiding presence and promise  
in days of pain and grief.  
We praise you for home and friends,  
and for our baptism and place in your Church  
with all who have faithfully lived and died.  
Above all else we thank you for Jesus,  
who knew our griefs,  
who died our death and rose for our sake,  
and who lives and prays for us.**

Voice 1: As Jesus taught us, so now we pray.

**All: 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 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.  
Amen.**

### **“The Easter Song”**

No. 3090, *Worship & Song* (2001)

Hear the bells ringing  
They're singing that you can be born again

[Refrain:]

The angel up on the tombstone  
Said He is risen, just as He said  
Quickly now, go tell his disciples  
That Jesus Christ is no longer dead  
Joy to the world, He is risen! Alleluia!  
He's risen! Alleluia! He's risen! Alleluia!

Hear the bells ringing  
They're singing Christ is risen from the dead (Refrain)

## **our going forth**

### **Dismissal with Blessing**

### **Amen**

No. 898, *The United Methodist Hymnal* (1989)

***Thank you for worshipping with us today!***

*You are welcome to stay (in whatever space you are joining us) and fellowship—get to know and check-in and enjoy the company of others.*

# **your thoughts & notes**

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