Easter Day **April 12, 2020** 

The liturgical color is white celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We lift up prayers for the community, our church family, staff, ministers, and for the work of Christ in the world.

**Sunrise Praise** 

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

**Opening Praise** 

"Alleluia, Alleluia"

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Welcome

Rev. Dr. George K. Howle

### **Opening Hymn**

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

- 1. Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia! Raise you joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and reply, Alleluia!
- 2. 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!
- 3. 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!
- 4. 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!

### **Praise Song**

"Glorious Day"

I was buried beneath my shame Who could carry that kind of weight It was my tomb 'til I met you

I was breathing but not alive All my failures I tried to hide It was my tomb 'til I met you

[Chorus] You called my name Then I ran out of that grave Out of the darkness into Your glorious day [repeat Chorus]

Now Your mercy has saved my soul Now Your freedom is all that I know The old made new Jesus when I met You [Chorus] [Chorus]

I needed rescue my sin was heavy But chains break at the weight of Your glory I needed shelter I was an orphan Now You call me a citizen of Heaven When I was broken You were my healing Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing I have a future my eyes are open [Chorus] [Chorus]

## **Pastoral Prayer**

Rev. Meredith M. Dark

#### The Lord's Prayer

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.

# **Hymn of Preparation**

"He Lives"

1. I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today; I know that he is living, whatever foes may say. I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer, and just the time I need him, he's always near.

[Chorus]

He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way. He lives, he lives, salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.

- 2. In all the world around me I see his loving care, and though my heart grows weary, I never will despair. I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast; the day of his appearing will come at last. [Chorus]
- 3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King! The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find; none other is so loving, so good and kind. [Chorus]

Children's Sermon Julia Brooks

Sermon Text John 20:1-18

**Anthem** "Amen, Because He Lives"

Sermon "I Have Seen the Lord" Rev. Dr. George K. Howle Rev. Meredith M. Dark

# **Hymns of Response**

"Lo, In The Grave He Lay"

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

[Chorus]
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!

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

#### [Chorus]

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

#### [Chorus]

## "Crown Him With Many Crowns"

- 1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
- 2. Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save. His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
- 3. Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.
- 4. Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
  All hail, Redeemer, hail!
  For thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

# **Benediction**

The flowers on the altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Wilson B. Springs, Sr.

Thank you to Norman McQueen, D. Scott Ferguson, Grant Nesmith, and Nell Ciaccio for sharing their gifts of music today.

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