

**St. John's:
Making and Maturing
Disciples of Jesus Christ**



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John 20.18

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Easter Sunrise

April 17, 2022

Easter Acclamation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Easter Song

Were You There

Lynda Temple

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Were you there when He rose up from the dead?

Were you there when He rose up from the dead?

Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,

Were you there when He rose up from the dead?

Opening Words

With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all (**Acts 4:33**).

Brothers and Sisters, on this holy day: Testify!

Christ is risen!

Testify!

Christ is risen!

With your voices . . .

Christ is risen!

Testify!

Christ is risen!

With your love . . .

Christ is risen!

Testify!

Christ is risen!

With good works . . .

Christ is risen!

Testify!

Christ is risen!

Let your light shine . . .

Christ is risen!

Tell this community and world...

Hear the good news. Christ is risen indeed!

Special Music

My Lord, What a Morning!

Connie and Dave Beazley



HE IS RISEN
alleluia

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost, but now I'm found Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear And grace my fears
relieved How precious did that grace appear The hour I first
believed

My chains are gone, I've been set free
My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, Amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be As long as life endures

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My God, my Savior has ransomed me
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My God, my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy reigns
Unending love, Amazing grace

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine, will be forever mine You are forever mine

Prayer



I Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵ For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

John 20:1-18

¹ Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." ³ So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴ Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes. ¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him." ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned

around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, “Sir, if You have carried Him away, tell me where You have laid Him, and I will take Him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to Him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to My Father and your Father, to My God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that He had said these things to her.

Sermon

Everyone is Running

Easter Song

He Lives

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;
I know that He is living, whatever men 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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Easter Affirmation

There was darkness over the earth before creation;
There is darkness in the womb before birth;
The seed grows in darkness before it meets the light;
There is darkness in the tomb before resurrection.
But now Christ is risen!
The dawn has come
A new creation has commenced—
The world is born anew.
Christ is Risen.
HE IS RISEN INDEED!
Christ is Risen.
HE IS RISEN INDEED!
Christ is Risen.
HE IS RISEN INDEED!
Thanks be to God!
ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA! AMEN!



Week at a Glance

Today, 4/17:	6:45 AM Sunrise Service- Boy Scout Lake 9:00 Egg Hunt & Activity (K-grade 5) 10:00 AM Worship Service
Monday, 4/18:	5:30 PM Missions/Evangelism 6-8 PM CEF Meeting- Chapel
Tuesday, 4/19:	6:30 PM Celebrate Recovery
Wednesday, 4/20:	5-7 PM Kid's Night- FH 7:00 PM Bible Study
Thursday, 4/21:	6:00 PM Church Council
Friday, 4/22:	12:00 PM Prayer- Sanctuary
Saturday, 4/23:	7:30 AM Men's Bible Study – Chapel 4-5:30 PM Piano Concert - Sanctuary

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Senior Minister: Rev. Dr. Randall J. Forester

Chancel Choir Director: David Beazley

Bell Choir Director: Jane Baker

Organist/Pianists: Randall S. Rogers, Teresa Broseke, Linda Zeigler,
Cinda Shea

Easter Prayer

Lord God, You loved this world so much, that You gave Your one and only Son, that we might be called Your children too. Lord, help us to live in the gladness and grace of Easter Sunday, every day. Let us have hearts of thankfulness for Your sacrifice.

Let us have eyes that look upon Your grace and rejoice in our salvation. Help us to walk in that mighty grace and tell Your good news to the world. All for Your glory do we pray, Lord, Amen.

- Rachel Marie Stone