



EASTER SUNDAY: "HE LIVES! HOPE LIVES!"

First United Methodist Church of Riverside (<https://firstchurchriverside.org>)

April 4, 2021: Easter Sunday with Holy Communion

ALL ARE WELCOME TO WORSHIP ONLINE (Livestream): 10:00 AM

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE: *"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"* (by Dale Wood) / Robert Phillips, Organist

TRINITY BELLS / Robert Phillips, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP (Video)/ (Adapted from Psalm 118, John 20) / John Zeeb, Liturgist
(Liturgist) This is the day that the Lord has made.

(All) Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Liturgist) This is the day that sees Christ rise.

(All) Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

(Liturgist) This is the day of new beginnings, for Christ is risen.

(All) Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen!

OPENING HYMN: #302 *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"* (Video) (Words by Charles Wesley; Music *Lyra Davidica* 1708) / All (Led by the Worldwide UMC Easter Virtual Choir)

Verse 1

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!

Verse 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!

Verse 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!

Verse 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!

WELCOME / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER / Rev. J. T. Kim

- Sharing of Joys and Concerns

UNISON PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE (EASTER) / All (Led by Pastor Kim)

God of hope, in the midst of death, you call forth life. When all hope seemed gone, you raised Jesus from the grave. We come before you this morning, longing for your life-giving presence. God of new life, raise us up with all your people. Lift us from the tombs of our despair and doubt, that we may rejoice in your power over death. God of joy, fill our hearts with alleluias as we sing your praises. Glory to God. Amen!

CHILDREN'S TIME AND THE RELEASING OF THE BUTTERFLIES: (Video) /
John Zeeb

INTERLUDE: "*Crown Him With Many Crowns*" (Video) / Bell Quartet

GOSPEL READING: John 20:1-18 (NRSV) (Video) / John Zeeb, Liturgist
The Resurrection of Jesus

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So 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.' ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. ⁴The two

were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

Jesus Appears to Mary Magdalene

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They 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.' ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' 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.' ¹⁶Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because 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." ' ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

(Liturgist) This is the Word of Christ!

(All) Glory to You, O Christ! Amen!

INTERLUDE: *"Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing"* (Music by Melchior Vulpius; Lyrics by Cyril A. Alington and Norman Mealy) / Kathleen Phillips, Soloist (Accompanied by Robert Phillips on Celtic harp)

SERMON: *"HE LIVES! HOPE LIVES!"* / Rev. J. T. Kim, Pastor

HYMN OF DEDICATION: #310 *"He Lives"* (by Alfred H. Ackley) / All (Led by Kathleen Phillips, Hymn Leader; Accompanied by Robert Phillips)

Verse 1

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.

Refrain

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.

Verse 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. [Refrain]

Verse 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. [Refrain]

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING (Video) / John Zeeb, Liturgist

(Liturgist) On this day of joy and light, during this celebration of hope and rebirth, may we give from our abundance in order to extend Christ's love to a weary world.

(All) Amen!

HOW TO GIVE (Voice) / John Zeeb, Liturgist

Dear Church Family and Friends: I invite you to give your tithes and offerings generously to support our church's missions and ministries. You can give online 24/7 through our church's website: www.firstchurchriverside.org/giving. You can simply mail your offering to the church address. Or you can also drop off your offering envelope into the

church office mail slot. You may also consider setting up automatic draft through your bank. Thank you for being faithful to God through our Church!

DOXOLOGY: #95 / All (Led by Kathleen Phillips, Accompanied by Robert Phillips)
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (Video) / All (Led by John Zeeb, Liturgist)
Living God, you give us the greatest gift of all, the gift of new life. Grateful for this gift, we bring our offerings, the work of our hands. Use our gifts to share your word of hope, your promise of forgiveness, and your blessings with all creation. Grateful for your love, we offer ourselves, that we might walk with our neighbors into your garden of love. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION WITH MUSIC RESPONSES

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

(Pastor) Christ be with you.

(People) And also with you.

(Pastor) Lift up your hearts.

(People) We lift them up to God.

(Pastor) Let us give our thanks to the Holy One.

(People) It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Pastor) It is a right, good, and a joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give our thanks to you, who has raised Christ from the dead, and who has given us the promise of new life in his name.

We give you thanks for prophets and apostles, for the disciples who ran to see the empty tomb, for the faith and testimony of Mary Magdalene, and for the women and men in every age who have witnessed to the power of the risen Christ: for healing, forgiveness, and new life.

And so, with your creatures on earth and all the heavenly chorus, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

(All Singing)

Elise Eslinger
(after NICAEA)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might.
Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score is written on four staves in 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of lyrics, featuring a triplet of eighth notes. The second staff continues the melody with another triplet. The third staff concludes the phrase 'high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the'. The fourth staff begins with 'Lord.' and ends with a fermata over the final note.

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(Pastor) Holy are you, and holy is your son, Jesus Christ, who in life brought healing and freedom to all who were oppressed; who even in death on the cross, forgave his enemies; and who rose from the dead and lives in us today.

On the night in which he gave himself up, Jesus took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, and gave it to the disciples, saying: "Take, eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." When the supper was over, Jesus took the cup, offered thanks and gave it to the disciples, saying: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my life in the new covenant, poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

And so, in remembrance of your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

(All Singing)

Elise Eslinger

Christ has died, Christ is ris - en, Christ will come a - gain!

The musical score is written on a single staff in 4/4 time. It features a fermata over the final note of the phrase.

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(Pastor) Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for all who yearn for new life.

God of newness and mystery, God of wonder and love, God of resurrection and new life; we praise your name and rejoice in our life in you.

(All Singing)



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THE LORD'S PRAYER

(Pastor) And now, with the confidence of children of God, let us 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, for ever. Amen.

GIVING AND SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

(Please take your Bread and Cup at home now)

UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

(All) Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: # 308 "Thine Be the Glory" (Video) (Words by Edmond L. Budry; Trans. by R. Birch Hoyle; Music Arr. by G. F. Handel) / All (Led by the Worldwide UMC Easter Virtual Choir)

Verse 1

**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.

Verse 2

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

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

Verse 3

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

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

RESPONSIVE BENEDICTION / All (Led by Rev. J. T. Kim)

(Pastor) Christ is Risen! Go forth in joy.

(All) From darkness and despair, we go to share Christ's hope and joy.

(Pastor) Christ is Risen! Go forth in faith.

(All) From doubt and betrayal, we go to walk in faith and fidelity.

(Pastor) Christ is Risen! Go forth to live.

(All) From suffering and death, we go to heal a broken world.

(Pastor) Christ is Risen.

(All) Christ is Risen indeed! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE: "Fanfare on 'The Strife Is O'er'" (by Alec Wyton) / Robert Phillips, Organist

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