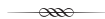


Easter Sunrise Service

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



"The King who can swallow up death has no equal."

—Paul House

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing."

—Revelation 5:12

EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE | APRIL 9, 2023 | 6:15 AM

{ **GATHERED WORSHIP:** The Triune God Renews His People }

 **CALL TO WORSHIP** **RESPONSIVE READING**

Congregation, please read aloud the portions that are *italicized*.

1 Corinthians 15:54-57

Leader: Jesus Christ is Risen from among the Dead.

All: *He is Risen, indeed!*

Children: (ring the bells!)

Leader: When the perishable puts on the imperishable,
and the mortal puts on immortality,
then shall come to pass the saying that is written:
“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

All: *“O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?”*

Children: (ring the bells!)

Leader: The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

All: *But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Leader: Christ is Risen!

All: *He is Risen, indeed! Alleluia! Christ is Risen!*

Children: (ring the bells!)

 Congregation stand as able.

☒ HYMN OF PRAISE

"Christ the Lord is Ris'n Today"

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Earthly wisdom now reversed, Alleluia!
Heaven's King became a curse, Alleluia!
Dead and buried, raised again, Alleluia!
Death is life and loss is gain, Alleluia!

Lo! Our King is coming soon! Alleluia!
He, the Faithful and the True, Alleluia!
On the earth, He'll take His stand, Alleluia!
Christ, the Temple and the Lamb, Alleluia!

 **CONFESSION OF PRAISE**

Leader: Glory be to You, Almighty Father,
who raised the Son from the dead
and who makes us partakers of his victory over sin and death.

Children: (ring the bells!)

Leader: Glory be to You, O Christ, who for us,
and for our salvation has overcome death,
and opened to us the way of everlasting life.

Children: (ring the bells!)

Leader: Glory be to You, O Holy Spirit, who leads us into all truth
as it is in the risen Christ.

*All: All praise to You, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God,
who brings life and immortality to light through Your Gospel,
and blessed be your glorious name for ever and ever. Amen.*

Children: (ring the bells!)

—based on the Book of Common Worship

READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Hosea 13:14

I shall ransom them from the power of Sheol;

I shall redeem them from Death.

O Death, where are your plagues?

O Sheol, where is your sting?

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Children: (ring the bells!)


HYMN OF JOY

"Come, People of the Risen King"



1. Come, peo - ple of the Ri - sen King,
 2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun,
 3. Come, young and old from ev - ery land -



who de - light to bring Him praise;
 and those weep - ing through the night;
 men and wo - men of the faith;



come all and tune your hearts to sing
 come, those who tell of bat - tles won,
 come, those with full or emp - ty hands -



to the Morn - ing Star of grace.
 and those strug - gling in the fight.
 find the rich - es of His grace.



From the shift - ing shad - ows of the earth
 For His per - fect love will nev - er change,
 Ov - er all the world, His peo - ple sing -




we will lift our eyes to Him,
 and His mer - cies nev - er cease,
 shore to shore we hear them call



where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach
 but fol - low us through all our days
 the Truth that cries through ev - ery age:



to___ gath - er chil - dren in.
with the cer - tain hope of peace.
"Our___ God is all in all!"

CHORUS:

Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re - joice!



One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, re- joice!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

1 Corinthians 15:50-57

I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. ⁵¹Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, ⁵²in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. ⁵³For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. ⁵⁴When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

⁵⁵“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

⁵⁶The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen, indeed!

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

HOMILY

Dan Edwards

☒ HYMNS OF HOPE

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"


All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name,
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Bring forth the royal diadem,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,
Ye ransomed from the fall;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all;
Hail Him who saves you by His grace,
And crown Him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball.
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all;
To Him all majesty ascribe,
And crown Him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng,
We at His feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all;
We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

We'll join the everlasting song,
And crown Him Lord of all.

 "Jesus Shall Reign"


1. Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the__ sun
 2. To Him shall end - less__ prayer be__ made,
 3. Peo - ple and realms of__ ev - ery__ tongue
 4. Where He dis - plays His__ heal - ing__ pow'r;
 5. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture__ rise and__ bring



does His suc - ces - sive jour - neys run;
 and prais - es throng to crown His head;
 dwell on His love with sweet - est song;
 death and the curse are known no more;
 pe - cu - liar hon - ors to our King;



His king - dom stretch from__ shore__ to__ shore,
 His name like sweet per - fume__ shall__ rise
 and in - fant voic - es__ shall__ pro - claim
 in Him the tribes__ of__ A - dam__ boast
 an - gels de - scend__ with__ songs__ a - gain,



till moons shall wax and wane no more.
 with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 their ear - ly bless - ings on His name.
 more bless - ings than their fa - ther lost.
 and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

 **BENEDICTION**

Hebrews 13:20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

HYMN CREDITS

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