



He is not here:

for he is risen, as he said.

Come, see the place
where the Lord lay.

Matthew 28:6

CHRIST *is* RISEN

April 12, 2020

Resurrection of the Lord

10:45 AM

*We are a joyful, inclusive, compassionate community of faith
seeking to do justice, act mercifully, and walk humbly with our God.*

Loving God...Changing Lives



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We Assemble in God's Name

Prelude "Holy, Holy, Holy/Toccata" Nancy Hauser & Judy Cooper

Thoughts to Ponder "This Easter Celebration"

This Easter celebration is not like ones we've known.
We pray in isolation, we sing the hymns alone.
We're distant from our neighbors— from worship leaders, too.
No flowers grace the chancel to set a festive mood.
No gathered choirs are singing; no banners lead the way.

O God of love and promise, where's joy this Easter Day?
With sanctuaries empty, may homes become the place
we ponder resurrection and celebrate your grace.
Our joy won't come from worship that's in a crowded room
but from the news of women who saw the empty tomb.

Our joy comes from disciples who ran with haste to see—
who heard that Christ is risen, and then, by grace, believed.
In all the grief and suffering, may we remember well:
Christ suffered crucifixion and faced the powers of hell.
Each Easter bears the promise: Christ rose that glorious day!

Now nothing in creation can keep your love away.
We thank you that on Easter, your church is blessed to be
a scattered, faithful body that's doing ministry.
In homes and in the places of help and healing, too,
we live the Easter message by gladly serving you.

If sung, the tune is AURELIA 7.6.7.6 D ("The Church's One Foundation") Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864
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Welcome and Announcements

Anne Fisher

Lighting of the Christ Candle

Call to Worship

David Hansen

One: This is the day the Lord has made! Alleluia

All: Let us shout with joy! Alleluia!

One: O death where is your victory; O Death where is your sting?

All: Christ has Risen; Christ has risen indeed alleluia!

Hymn (vss 1, 2, 4) “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

**Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

Unison Prayer

David Hansen

Glory to you, O God: you have won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.

Glory to you, O Christ: for us and for our salvation, you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life.

Glory to you, O Holy Spirit: you lead us into the truth.

Glory to you, Blessed Trinity, now and forever Amen.

We Hear God's Word

A Time with Children

Sending Song

“Near or Far”

Mary Koon

*J McKinnon
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Near or far apart,
You're always in my heart.
God's love is here to stay,
Close and far away.

Resting in God's peace,
Praying for God's hope,
Serving God's joy,
United in God's love.

Special Music "Was it a Morning Like This?"

Scripture reading John 20:1, 11-18 Anne Fisher

Sermon "And Now for Something Different..." Anne Fisher

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn "The Day of Resurrection"

**The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.**

**Let hearts be purged of evil that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light,
and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and hearing, may raise the victor strain.**

**Now let the heavens be joyful; let earth its song begin;
the round world keep high triumph and all that is therein.
Let all things seen and unseen their notes of gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.**

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer Mary Koon

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen**

Offering of Our Lives to God Mary Koon

Offering Music "All Shall be Well"

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

David Hansen

We praise you God that Christ calls us to new life. By your spirit lift us from doubt and despair, and set our feet in Christ's holy way, that our lives may be signs of the new life Christ offers, now and forever more. Amen

We Remain (in place) in God's Name

Sending Hymn

"Thine is the Glory"

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

**Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the 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)***

Benediction

Anne Fisher

Choral Response

"Praise Ye the Lord"

**Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord.
Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord.
Praise ye the Lord, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord, Alleluia!
Praise ye the Lord, Alleluia! Praise ye the Lord!**

Postlude

"Hallelujah Chorus"

(Please sing along wherever you are!)

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Additional participants in worship today include:
Vocalists, **Emma Wasko** and **David Hansen**;
Sound, Light, Video, **Greg Johnson**.

Please note that Pastor Anne, Pastor Mary and Britta Weber are now working from home during the week. Bookkeeper, Anne Swenson, Music Director, Judy Cooper and Office Administrator, Beth Angerhofer will be in the office only as needed. The **office is closed through May 4** per the Governor's direction.

One Great Hour of Sharing -- Around the world, people lack access to food, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing serves to help change the lives of people in these challenging situations. This special offering provides us a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need. One Great Hour of Sharing makes a difference in the world through three impactful programs:

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- The Presbyterian Hunger Program takes action to alleviate hunger and its causes and helps create access to healthy food for entire communities.
- The Self-Development of People partners with people and communities with tools for development and education to alleviate poverty, oppression, and injustice.

Your generous gifts will help fund projects supported by One Great Hour of Sharing in more than 100 countries. **This special offering culminates on Easter Sunday, April 12.** Mail your donation using the envelope in your packet, send a check to Oak Grove Presbyterian, 2200 W Old Shakopee Rd., Bloomington, MN 55431 or go to <http://www.oakgrv.org/donate/> to use your credit card (please note that you will be charged a fee when using a credit card).



Easter Flower Honoraria & Memorials

The beautiful plants in the chancel are given by:

Doodee Backstrom, in memory of husband, Don, and their parents.

Karen & Bob Gerdes, in memory of their good friend, Bob Nesbitt.

The Greimels, in honor of the sacrifices made by all in the name of COVID-19.

Nancy Kachel, in memory of husband, Dave.

Anne & Larry Klueh, in honor of fathers, Duane Klueh and Steve St. Martin
and in memory of mothers, Mary Alice Klueh and Audrey St. Martin.

Enid & Dick Lang, in honor of their children and grandchildren.

Patty & Ron Nail, in honor of their children & grandchildren and in memory of
Bob Nesbitt.

Sharon Nolte, in memory of mother, Margaret DeHart Kirk.

Steve St. Martin, in memory of wife, Audrey, and in gratitude for pastors,
Mary and Anne.

(Any money leftover from purchasing the plants is given to VEAP.)

