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**CHRIST OUR REDEEMER**

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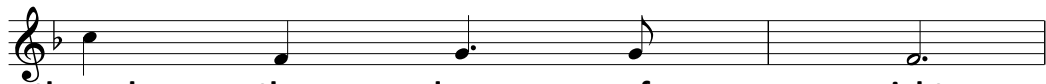
# OPENING HYMN

## "Like the Golden Sun Ascending"

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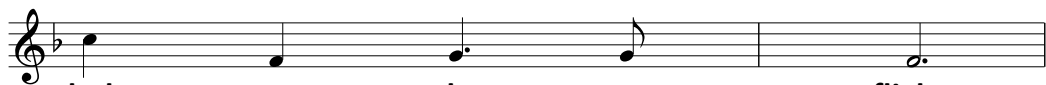
Like the gold - en sun as - cend - ing, Break - ing  
Thanks to you, O Christ vic - to - rious! Thanks to  
You have died for my trans - gres - sion; All my  
Grant me grace, O bless - ed Sav - ior, And your  
For the joy your ad - vent gave me, For the



through the gloom of night,  
you, O Lord of life!  
sins on you were laid.  
Ho - ly Spir - it send  
gos - pel's great re - ward,



On the earth its glo - ry spend - ing So that  
Death has now no pow - er o'er us, You have  
You have won for me sal - va - tion, On the  
That my life and my be - hav - ior May be  
For your bap - tism which has saved me, For your



dark - ness takes to flight,  
con - quered in the strife.  
cross my debt the paid.  
pleas - ing to was paid.  
sup - per and the end.  
Word,



Thus my Je - sus from the grave And death's  
Thanks be - cause you did a - rise And have  
From the grave I shall a - rise And shall  
That I may not fall a - gain In - to  
For your death, the bit - ter scorn, For your

dis - mal, dread - ful cave  
 o - pened par - a - dise!  
 meet you in the skies.  
 death's grim pit and pain.  
 res - ur - rec - tion tion morn;

Rose tri - um - phant Eas - ter morn - ing At the  
 None can ful - ly sing the glo - ry Of the  
 Death it self is tran - si - to - ry; I shall  
 Whence by grace you have re - trived me And from  
 Lord, I thank you and ex - tol you, And in

ear - ly pur - ple dawn - ing.  
 res - ur - rec - tion sto - ry.  
 lift my head in glo - ry.  
 which you have re - lieved me.  
 heav'n I shall be - hold you.

*Stand*

## **CALL TO WORSHIP**

**P:** We worship in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C:** Amen.

**P:** Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**C:** He gave us new life and hope by raising Jesus from the dead.

**P:** Rejoice, then, even in your distress.

**C:** We shall be counted worthy when Christ appears.

**P:** God has claimed us as his own.

**C:** He has called us from our darkness into the light of his day.

## **CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS**

P: Let us confess our sins before God and in the presence of one another.

*(silence for reflection)*

Our doubts and fears we confess to the Lord.

**C: Forgive us, Lord.**

P: Our failure to leave behind the way of sin and death and to fully embrace our new life in Christ, we confess to the Lord.

**C: Forgive us, Lord.**

P: Our failure to proclaim by word and deed the good news of Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection, we confess to the Lord.

**C: Forgive us, Lord.**

P: Our unwise use of the many gifts God has entrusted to us, we confess to the Lord.

**C: Forgive us, Lord.**

P: Almighty God in his mercy has given his Son to die for you and for his sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of the Word, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

## **PRAYER**

P: O risen Lord, you came to your disciples and took away their fears with your Word of peace. Come to us also by Word and banish our fears with the comforting assurance of your abiding presence, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Be seated*

## **FIRST LESSON** - Acts 26:19-29

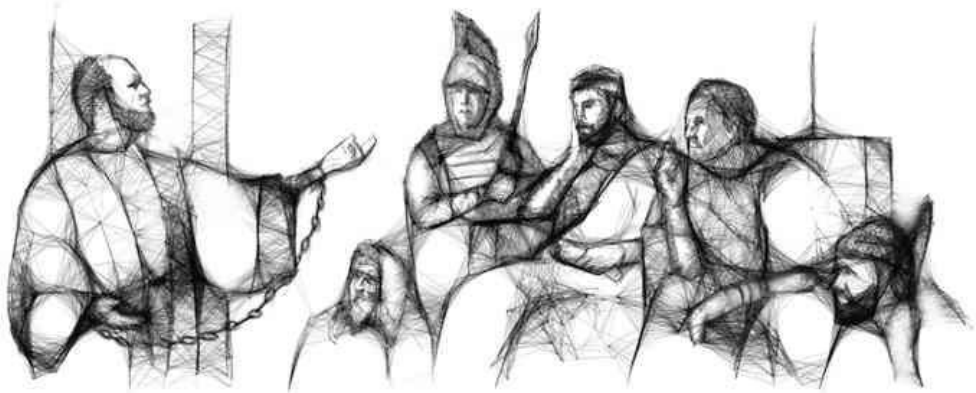
<sup>19</sup>“So then, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven. <sup>20</sup>First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds. <sup>21</sup>That is why some Jews seized me in the temple courts and tried to kill me. <sup>22</sup>But God has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen — <sup>23</sup>that the Messiah would suffer and, as the first to rise from the dead, would bring the message of light to his own people and to the Gentiles.”

<sup>24</sup>At this point Festus interrupted Paul’s defense. “You are out of your mind, Paul!” he shouted. “Your great learning is driving you insane.”

<sup>25</sup>“I am not insane, most excellent Festus,” Paul replied. “What I am saying is true and reasonable. <sup>26</sup>The king is familiar with these things, and I can speak freely to him. I am convinced that none of this has escaped his notice, because it was not done in a corner. <sup>27</sup>King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know you do.”

<sup>28</sup>Then Agrippa said to Paul, “Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?”

<sup>29</sup>Paul replied, “Short time or long—I pray to God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am, except for these chains.”



## **PSALM 16**

P: Keep me safe, O God, for in you I take refuge.

**C: I said to the Lord, "You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing."**

P: Lord, you have assigned me my portion and my cup;

**C: You have made my lot secure.**

P: The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

**C: Surely I have a delightful inheritance.**

P: I praise the LORD, who counsels me;

**C: Even at night my heart instructs me.**

P: I have set the LORD always before me.

**C: Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.**

P: Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices;

**C: My body also will rest secure,**

P: Because you will not abandon me to the grave,

**C: Nor will you let your Holy One see decay.**

P: You have made known to me the path of life;

**C: You fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.**

## **SECOND LESSON** - 1 Corinthians 15:12-22

<sup>12</sup>But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup>If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. <sup>14</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith. <sup>15</sup>More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. <sup>16</sup>For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. <sup>17</sup>And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. <sup>18</sup>Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. <sup>19</sup>If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

<sup>20</sup>But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.

## SERMON HYMN

## "O Sons and Daughters of the King"

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O sons and daugh - ters of the King, Whom heav'n - ly  
On that first morn - ing of the week. Be - fore the  
An an - gel bade their sor - row flee, For thus he  
That night th'a - pos - tles met in fear; A - mong them  
Bless - ed are they that have not seen And yet whose



hosts in glo - ry sing, To - day the grave has lost its sting!  
day be - gan to break, The Mar - ys went their Lord to seek.  
spoke un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to Gal - i - lee."  
came their Lord most dear And said, "Peace be un - to you here."  
faith has con - stant been; In life e - ter - nal they shall reign.



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

This hymn tells the story of those who witnessed the resurrected Christ based on the gospel accounts, particularly that of John. After describing the scene at the tomb on Resurrection Sunday morning, the text narrates the disciples' responses, from the sudden appearance of Jesus in a locked room where a group of them were meeting (John 20:19-23) to the proof of Jesus' physical resurrection when He appeared to doubting Thomas (John 20:23-29).

## **SERMON TEXT** - John 20:19-31

<sup>19</sup>On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>20</sup>After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

<sup>21</sup>Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you."  
<sup>22</sup>And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

<sup>24</sup>Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" <sup>27</sup>Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

<sup>28</sup>Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup>Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup>Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

# **The Key to Unlocking Easter Peace**



*Stand*

## **APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Be seated*

## **PRAYER**

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

### **CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING**

P: Eternal God and Father, you sent your Son to destroy the power of death and open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Make us certain that because he lives, we too will live forever. Take away our doubt and strengthen our faith in Jesus, that we trust in him with all our hearts. In his name we pray.

**C: Amen.**

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (†) give you peace.

**C: Amen.**

## Closing Hymn

## "He's Risen, He's Risen"

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He's ris - en, he's ris - en, Christ Je - sus, the Lord;  
The foe was tri - um - phant when on Cal - va - ry  
But short was their tri - umph; The Sav - ior a - rose,  
Oh, where is your sting, death? We fear you no more;  
Then sing your ho - san - nas and raise your glad voice;



He o - pened death's pris - on, the in - car - nate Word.  
The Lord of cre - a - tion was nailed to the tree.  
And death, hell, and Sa - tan he van-quished, his foes.  
Christ rose, and now o - pen is fair E - den's door.  
Pro - claim the blest tid - ings that all may re - joice.



Break forth, hosts of heav - en, in ju - bi - lant song  
In Sa - tan's do - main did the hosts shout and jeer,  
The con - quer - ing Lord lifts his ban - ner on high;  
For all our trans - gres - sions his blood does a - tone;  
Laud, hon - or, and praise to the Lamb that was slain.



And earth, sea, and moun - tain the prais - es pro - long.  
For Je - sus was slain, whom the e - vil ones fear.  
He lives, yes, he lives, and will nev - er - more die.  
Re - deemed and for - giv - en, we now are his own.  
Who now sits in glo - ry and ev - er shall reign.

# **COR CALENDAR**

<b>Today, April 11</b>	<b>8:00a</b>	<b>Worship</b>
	<b>9:00a</b>	<b>Finance Board Meeting</b>
	<b>9:15a</b>	<b>Sunday School &amp; Bible Class</b>
	<b>10:30a</b>	<b>Worship</b>
<b>Monday, April 12</b>	<b>6:15p</b>	<b>Catechism Class</b>
<b>Tuesday, April 13</b>		<b>Due to numerous conflicts, our regularly scheduled Church Leaders meeting will meet next week, April 20<sup>th</sup>.</b>
<b>Thursday, April 15</b>	<b>7:00p</b>	<b>Worship with Communion</b>
	<b>7:45p</b>	<b>Bible Class</b>
<b>Friday, April 16</b>	<b>3:30-5p</b>	<b>COR Basketball Clinic</b>
<b>Sunday, April 18</b>	<b>8:00a</b>	<b>Worship with Communion</b>
	<b>9:15a</b>	<b>Sunday School &amp; Bible Class</b>
	<b>10:30a</b>	<b>Worship with Communion</b>

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**MIDWEEK MEDITATION:** Check your email and our Facebook page every Wednesday for a short video devotion from Pastor. If you like what you see, make sure you subscribe, like and share!

**THANK YOU:** Easter Outreach – Thank you to all who donated and helped with our Easter meal giveaway. We were able to distribute 100 meals to our community and share the message that Christ is Risen!

**CONFIRMATION:** Confirmation will be Sunday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>. The examination will take place during the Bible study hour that day, with confirmation taking place during the second service.

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