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For The Glory of God & The Joy of All Peoples

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

On the Lord's Day Morning
Easter Day—The Resurrection of the Lord
April 5, 2026, at 8:30 and 10:30



To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire hope; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whoever will come—this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The sounding of the bells calls us to quiet our hearts before worship.

Welcome

Choral Introit

Easter Introit

Text by John Thornburg
Music by John Ferguson

Listen. Listen.

*The One who bore God's heart, the One who spoke God's peace,
The One in whom God agonized is now the Risen Lord.*

*Death was no prison for him. Jesus is raised and among us.
All that you see and hear comes from the One who was freed.*

Listen. Listen.

Hear, O people of God, that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Alleluia!

† congregation standing

✠ congregation kneeling

ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

Call to Worship

From Isaiah 25

Minister: On this mountain, the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Minister: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

† Hymn of Proclamation

Hymn A • Trinity Hymnal #277

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

"Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise." (James 5:13b)

Prayer of Adoration

Unison: O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Through the public reading
of Scripture, God himself
summons us to the praise of
his glory.*

† Old Testament Reading

Genesis 50:15-21

Pew Bible, page 44

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

✠ Prayer of Confession

*In confessing our sins, we
humbly agree with Scripture's
claim that all have sinned and
fall short of the glory of God.
We do this collectively through
corporate prayer of confession
and individually through a silent
moment of confession.*

Unison: O God, you are our life. But we have turned from you to death. Again and again, we have chosen our own way. We have dishonored your name. We have not loved our neighbors. We have injured our own souls. Lord, have mercy. Please forgive. For the sake of your Son who died and rose again, we pray that you would bury our sin and raise us up to newness of life. Lift us by the power of your Holy Spirit to seek the things above where Christ is seated with you in glory.

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

✠ Assurance of Pardon

From John 5

*This scriptural pronouncement
of forgiveness is spoken with
authority in Jesus' name. If you
trust Jesus as he is offered in the
gospel, you can rest assured, you
are forgiven.*

Minister: Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears the gospel and believes in Jesus Christ has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

Litany for Easter

Minister: Almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise you for the immeasurable greatness of your power toward us who believe, according to the working of your great might, which you exercised in Christ when you raised him from the dead.

People: **Glory! Hallelujah!**

Minister: On this feast of the resurrection, we praise you, Lord Christ.

People: **Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing, for by your blood you ransomed us for God.**

Minister: Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?

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

Minister: In the peace of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

People: **May your kingdom come and your will be done.**

Minister: That our risen Savior may crush beneath our feet the prince of darkness and his power.

People: **May your kingdom come and your will be done.**

Minister: That we might seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated, and that we might be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord our labor is not in vain.

Unison: **May your kingdom come, and your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

† **Hymn of Proclamation**
Hymn B • Trinity Hymnal #276

Up from the Grave He Arose
CHRIST AROSE



The Apostles' Creed, which is a summary of the gospel, unites Christians across the ages and around the world.

† **Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

Unison: 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, and born of the virgin Mary. He 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 catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

† **Gloria**

Glory Be to God in Heaven
Beethoven; ODE TO JOY

Children are welcome for our entire service. Following the Gloria, a specifically designed time for children aged four through first grade is also provided. Those interested can meet at the back of the Fellowship Hall.

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;
On the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

† Gospel Lesson

John 11:1-44

Pew Bible, pages 897 and 898

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: Thanks be to the Lord!

† Prayer for Illumination

Proclamation of God's Word

Rev. Justin Berger

An outline of the sermon is on page 17, and discussion questions for the sermon are on page 18.

HOLY WEEK:

The Glory of the Resurrection



† Hymn of Response

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Hymn C

Words and Music by Getty, Boswell, Kaufin, Merker, and Papa

Giving to God & Offertory

The Strife Is O'er

Lani Smith

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth... but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven..." (Matthew 6:19-20).

*The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the victor's triumph won!
Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*The pow'rs of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

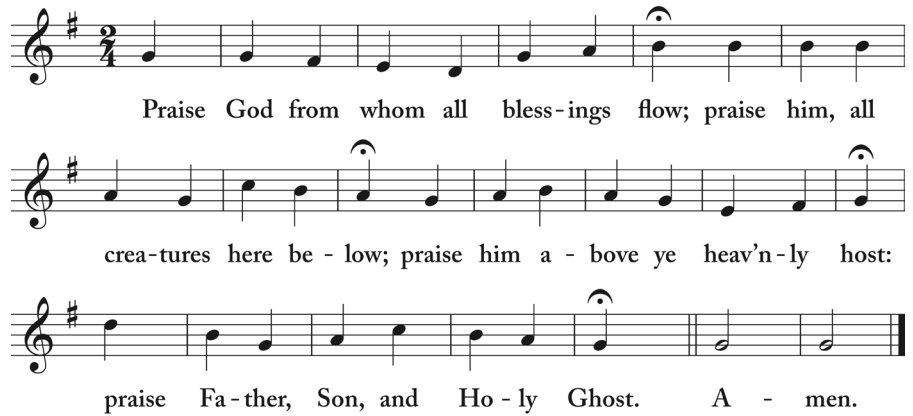
*The three sad days are quickly sped, he rises glorious from the dead.
All glory to our risen Head! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

*Lord, by the stripes which wounded you, from death's sting free your servants too,
That we may live and sing to you. Alleluia! Alleluia!*

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www.stpaulsorlando.com/give.

† Doxology #731

OLD HUNDREDTH



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all
crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove ye heav'n - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

† Prayer of Dedication

† Benediction

† Sending Forth Hymn
Hymn D (Verses 1 and 2)

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Thine Be the Glory

From George Frederick Handel and Judas Maccabaeus

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

Welcome, visitors! If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@stpaulsorlando.com to let us know your name, contact information, how you heard about St. Paul's, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastors or ushers.

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

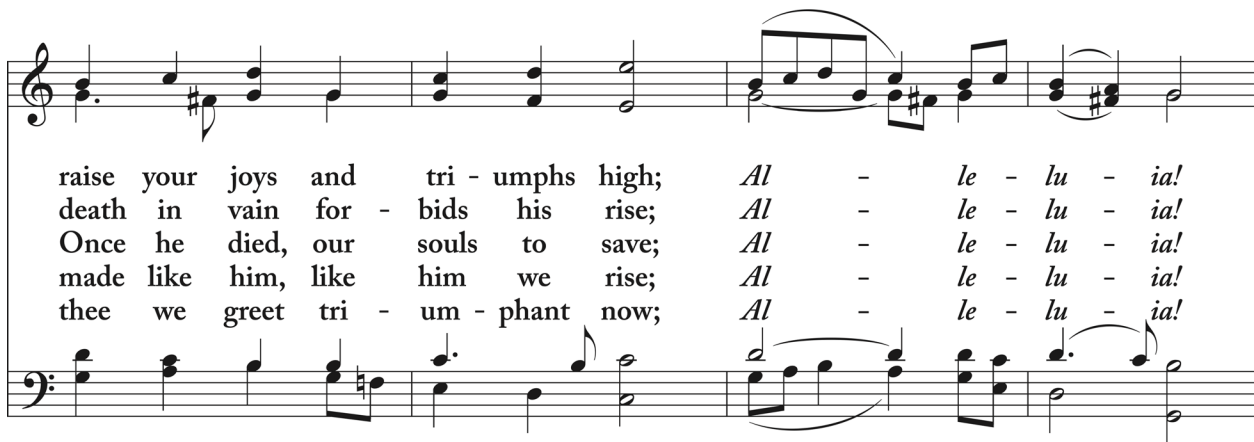
Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Cor. 15:57



1. "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day," *Al - le - lu - ia!*
2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, *Al - le - lu - ia!*
5. Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! *Al - le - lu - ia!*



sons of men and an - gels say; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
Christ has burst the gates of hell: *Al - le - lu - ia!*
where, O death, is now thy sting? *Al - le - lu - ia!*
fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
Praise to thee by both be giv'n; *Al - le - lu - ia!*



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
death in vain for - bids his rise; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
Once he died, our souls to save; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
made like him, like him we rise; *Al - le - lu - ia!*
thee we greet tri - um - phant now; *Al - le - lu - ia!*

sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies, *Al - le - lu - ia!*
 hail, the Re - sur - re - ction, thou! *Al - le - lu - ia!*

Up from the Grave He Arose

An angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. Matt. 28:2



1. Low in the grave he lay— Je - sus, my Sav - ior,
 2. Vain - ly they watch his bed— Je - sus, my Sav - ior;
 3. Death can - not keep his prey— Je - sus, my Sav - ior;



wait - ing the com - ing day— Je - sus, my Lord.
 vain - ly they seal the dead— Je - sus, my Lord.
 he tore the bars a - way— Je - sus, my Lord.



REFRAIN

Faster



Up from the grave he a - rose, He a - rose!





with a might - y tri - umph o'er his foes.

He a-rose!



He a - rose a vic - tor from the dark do - main, and he



lives for - ev - er with his saints to reign. He a - rose!

He a-rose!



He a - rose!

He a-rose!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!



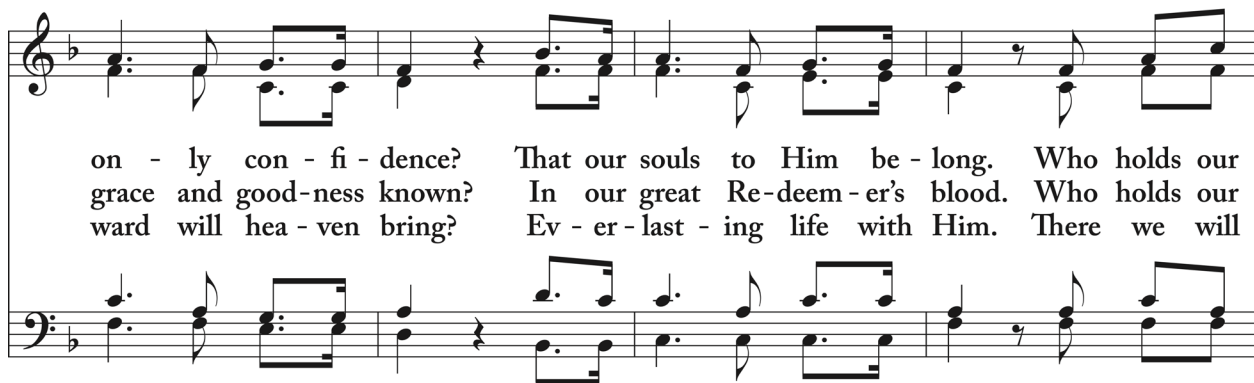
Christ Our Hope in Life and Death



1. What is our
2. What truth can
3. Un - to the



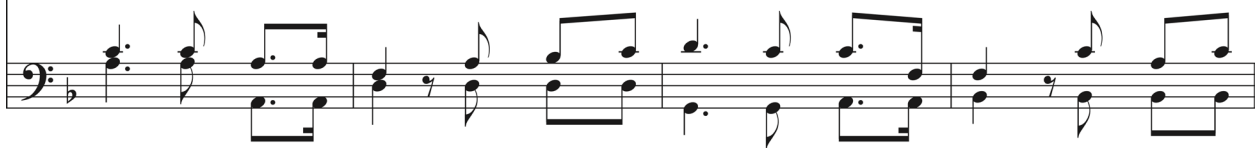
hope in life and death? Christ a - lone, Christ a - lone. What is our
calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is good. Where is His
grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!" And what re -



on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to Him be - long. Who holds our
grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem - er's blood. Who holds our
ward will hea - ven bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with Him. There we will



days with - in His hand? What comes, a - part from His com-mand? And what will
 faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a - bove the storm - y trial? Who sends the
 rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be de - stroyed, and we will



keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.
 waves that bring us nigh un - to the shore, the rock of Christ.
 feast in end - less joy, when Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.



O sing hal - le - lu - jah! Our hope springs e - ter - nal; O



sing hal - le - lu-jah! Now and ev-er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and



1, 2.

death.

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death. Now and ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

For I know that my Redeemer lives... Job 19:25

1. I know that my Re-deem-er lives; O the sweet joy this
 2. He lives to bless me with His love, and still He pleads for

sen-tence gives! Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! He lives, He
 me a-bove; Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! He lives to

lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ev-er-last-ing Head.
 raise me from the grave, and me e-ter-nal-ly to save.

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

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

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Al - le - lu - ia!'. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics 'Al - le - lu - ia!' are written below the treble staff. The score is divided into two phrases, each ending with a double bar line. The first phrase is 'Al - le - lu - ia!' and the second is 'Al - le - lu - ia!'. The bass line provides harmonic support with chords and single notes.

HOLY WEEK:

*The Glory of the Resurrection*John 11:1-44 | Rev. Justin Berger

The Big Idea: Jesus is the Resurrection and the Life, who wields even the worst of things—including death itself—for God’s good purpose and glory. This is the one who calls us to believe in him and to unbind all who are wrapped in the bands of death.

i. Because he loves us, Jesus does whatever it takes to reveal God’s glory to us.

ii. Because he is the Resurrection and the Life, everyone who believes in Jesus shall never die.

iii. Because we have heard the voice of Jesus who raises the dead, we are called to roll back stones and unbind graveclothes.

DAILY BIBLE READING PLAN

Use this plan for your daily Bible reading.

- Sunday, April 5 Proverbs 23 • 1 Thessalonians 2
- Monday, April 6 Proverbs 24 • 1 Thessalonians 3
- Tuesday, April 7 Proverbs 25 • 1 Thessalonians 4
- Wednesday, April 8 Proverbs 26 • 1 Thessalonians 5
- Thursday, April 9 Proverbs 27 • 2 Thessalonians 1
- Friday, April 10 Proverbs 28 • 2 Thessalonians 2
- Saturday, April 11 Proverbs 29 • 2 Thessalonians 3
- Sunday, April 12 Proverbs 30 • 1 Timothy 1

WEEKLY SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use these questions to reflect more deeply on this week's sermon.

1. Why didn't Jesus come quickly when he heard that Lazarus was sick? How was this deadly delay an act of love?
2. How, in the story of Lazarus and in our own lives, is God's glory revealed through suffering and death?
3. What—beyond the physical miracle itself—is the greater symbolic meaning of this “sign”? To what and to whom does the resurrection of Lazarus ultimately point?
4. What does it mean for Jesus to be the Resurrection and the Life? Do you believe this?
5. Why does Jesus actively involve others in taking away the stone and unbinding the graveclothes? What might we learn from the way Jesus includes his followers in this unfolding miracle?
6. How does Jesus continue to call us to take away stones and unwrap graveclothes today?

MONTHLY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION

Devote time to memorizing this passage of Scripture throughout the month.

“But rise and stand upon your feet, for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a servant and witness...” (Acts 26:16)

ABOUT WORSHIP

In his encounter with the woman of Samaria, Jesus explained that “God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and in truth” (John 4:24). The reason Jesus says true worshipers must worship in this way is because God himself “is spirit.” Here we discover the simple yet profound principle that true worship is a response to God as he has personally revealed himself. Thus, conformity to God’s character is the key to true worship. “Great is the LORD,” as the psalmist puts it, “and greatly to be praised” (Psalm 48:1)! In worship, we seek to reflect this divine reality, declaring with our lips and demonstrating with our lives that God is supremely precious and therefore worthy of all glory and honor and praise.

THE SHAPE OF WORSHIP



Entering God’s Presence—We gather in response to God’s call to worship, joyfully offering praise to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. With reverence and awe, we confess our sins and receive God’s forgiveness, which is declared in Jesus’ name.



Renewing Our Faith—Worship continues with a focus on God’s Word. Our faith is renewed as we publicly confess the truth of God, join our hearts and voices in prayers and hymns of praise to God, and hear the good news of God powerfully proclaimed.



Responding in Thanks—As hearing becomes doing, we respond to the proclamation of God’s Word. Songs of praise continue to be raised and the gifts and offerings of God’s people are collected. On Communion Sundays we are invited to celebrate the Lord’s Supper. With God’s blessing upon us, we are sent into the world to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ!

Why Do We Worship in This Way?

In this section, we answer a question about worship each week.

Question: Why do we gather for public worship on Sunday?

Answer: We gather on Sunday to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord, which took place “on the first day of the week” (Matthew 28:1, Mark 16:2, Luke 24:1, John 20:1 [compare John 20:19]).

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We are delighted you have joined us for worship. Our hope is that you find our worship service glorifying to God and personally refreshing.

We would love to connect with you. Please stop by our Welcome Kiosk in the Narthex after the service so that we may greet you in person and provide you a *Welcome Bag*. To connect with us, please use the QR code below to fill out a *Connect Card*.

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or navigate to the URL below each QR code.*



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Our Vision

To see the invisible kingdom of heaven made visible,
for the glory of God and the joy of all peoples.

Our Mission

To grow in grace and give away our lives
in the following seven major ministry areas:

Worship that exalts God in Christ and promotes unity in the Spirit

Discipleship that is rooted in the Scriptures and centered in the gospel

Community that is characterized by discipleship and care for one another

Local Missions that promotes the common good and evangelizes the lost

Global Missions that participates in church planting and spreading the gospel
to the ends of the earth

Children's Ministry that partners with parents to build children up in the
faith through loving care and Reformed biblical teaching

Youth Ministry that promotes maturity, joy, and identity in Christ

This Year's Easter Lilies Were Given By:

Jim and Ivy Kool

In memory of our parents, Jeff and Eunice Carey, and Bill and Christine Kool

Ron and Tina Owen

*In memory of our parents, Harold and Hazel Owen, and Rudolph and Veronica Greys,
and dear sister, Eugenia Greys Odell*

Diane Richardson

In memory of our parents, George and Marie Richardson, and Max and Mary Nemazi

Brent and Lisa Rowley

In memory of our precious, forever two-year old grandson, Wesley

David and Mary Margaret Sutton

In memory of Jonel and Belle Sutton, and Nick and Margaret Simonette

Janey Taylor

In memory of my dear mother, Dorothea Willis

Joe and Eleanor Thompson

In memory of our dear parents, and our brothers and sisters who are with the Lord

Sharon (Sam) Warner

In loving memory of two of my greatest blessings, Mark, my husband, and Marcus, my son

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