# MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATION *The Lord's Day – Resurrection Sunday* March 31, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements: Travis Skillingstad The Lord is risen! The Lord is risen indeed!

Prelude: Macy Johnson, piano

Come, Christians, Join to Sing Arranged by Mark Hayes

Call to Worship: 1 Peter 1:3-5

**The Invocation** 

Hymn of Praise 277 (vss. 1-4)

Christ the Lord Is Risen 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!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia! Death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia! Made like him, like him we rise: Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

## Confession of Sin: Pastor Mike Palombo Need of Confession: 1 John 1:8-10

<sup>8</sup> If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. <sup>10</sup> If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

### **Personal Confession of Sin**

**Corporate Confession of Sin (Unison)** 

Gracious Father, you sent your Son to die and rise to new life in order that death might be brought to an end and that we might live a new life in Him. Yet we confess

that we too often have chosen to remain captive to doubt and fear and ways that lead to death. By our thoughts, words, and actions, we have scorned your love, diminished the lives of others, and defaced your image in us. Father, forgive us for Jesus' sake, and enable us by His resurrection power to live no longer for ourselves but for Him who died and rose again for us. Amen. (From Central Presbyterian Church, NYC). Assurance of Pardon: Romans 4:25

<sup>25</sup> [Jesus] was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

**Song of Praise** 

Is He Worthy? Do you feel the world is broken? We do. Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do. But do you know that all the dark Won't stop the light from getting through? We do. Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.

Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a new creation coming? It is. Is the glory of the Lord To be the light within our midst? It is. Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is.

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. Is he worthy? Is he worthy of all blessing and honor and glory? Is he worthy of this? He is.

Does the Father truly love us? He does. Does the Spirit move among us? He does. And does Jesus, our Messiah, Hold forever those he loves? He does. Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does. Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole? Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll? The Lion of Judah, who conquered the grave, He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave. From ev'ry people and tribe, every nation and tongue, He has made us a kingdom and priests to God To reign with the Son. Is he worthy? Is he worthy? Of all blessing and honor and glory? Is he worthy? Is he worthy? Is he worthy? Is he worthy? He is.

> Is he worthy? Is he worthy? He is. He is.

**The Lord's Prayer / Pastoral Prayer** 

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**Giving of Tithes and Offerings** 

**Offertory: Chancel Choir featuring Dick Forrester, baritone** 

**Mercy Tree** By Michael William Neale and Krissy Nordhoff, arranged by Joseph Martin

**Doxology 733** 

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia, alleluia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

(During this song, children ages 4 thru 2nd grade may go to Children's Worship)

## The Swallowing of Death 1 Corinthians 15:50-58 Pastor Jeff Birch

<sup>50</sup> I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. <sup>51</sup> Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup> in 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. <sup>53</sup> For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on

immortality. <sup>54</sup> 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."

<sup>55</sup> "O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

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

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

#### Hymn 276

#### Up from the Grave He Arose

Low in the grave he lay– Jesus, my Savior, Waiting the coming day– Jesus, my Lord.

Chorus

Up from the grave he arose, With a mighty triumph o'er his foes. He arose a victor from the dark domain, And he lives forever with his saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

> Vainly they watch his bed-Jesus, my Savior; Vainly they seal the dead-Jesus, my Lord. (Chorus)

Death cannot keep his prey-Jesus, my Savior; He tore the bars away-Jesus, my Lord. (Chorus)

**Choral Benediction** 

**Easter Song** By Anne Herring, arranged by Joseph Martin

Benediction

Postlude

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