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**April 17, 2022**  
**Resurrection of the Lord**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**

**REFLECTION**

*“This is the day that God has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!” This affirmation from Psalm 118 is the heart of the Easter proclamation – God has made this new day, this wonderful life-giving day, and rejoicing is the only appropriate response. Rejoice! The shroud of death no longer controls us, the future is open, and we are free to act boldly and lovingly. ~ Rev. Bruce Epperly*

**PRELUDE**

*Come Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

arr. Sondra Tucker

**WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHORAL INTROIT**

*The Day of Resurrection*

Thomas Mathews

**CALL TO WORSHIP** *(Based on John 20:11-16)*

Mary stood outside the tomb crying. She saw two angels dressed in white. The angels asked:

**Men: Woman, why are you weeping?**

**Women: They have taken away my Lord and I don't know where they have laid him.**

Jesus was standing there, unrecognized and said:

**Men: Woman, why are you weeping? Who are you looking for?**

**Women: Tell me where you have put him and I will get him.**

**Men: Mary!**

**Women: Teacher!**

**Men: Go tell the others.**

The Lord is risen.

**ALL: He is risen indeed!**

**\*\*HYMN No. 232**

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

EASTER HYMN

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!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!

Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!

Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing. 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!

**OPENING PRAYER** *(In Unison)*

**On this day we overflow with thanks and praise, O God, for this is the day you have made, the day that fills us with both fear and great joy. On this day you sent your angels to roll back the stone and you raised Jesus, who had been crucified, from the dead. Never again need we search for Jesus in the places of dead memories and buried dreams. Now he has been raised and goes forever ahead of us to open the gates of life, preaching peace and the forgiveness of sins. Indeed, though he was the stone rejected by the builders, you have made him the cornerstone, the rock on which is founded the life everlasting, the life that is hidden for us in Christ until it is revealed with Christ in glory. We thank you and we praise you O God, both now, and through your living word, eternally. Amen. Amen.**

**CHILDREN'S ANTHEM**

*Sing, Alleluia!*

Sue Ellen Page

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**ANTHEM**

*Mary Don't You Weep*

AFRICAN AMERICAN SPIRITUAL  
arr. Noel A. Piercy

**FIRST LESSON**

*John 20:1-10*

**HYMN**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA  
arr. Craig Courtney

**CHOIR ONLY**

*Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.*

**ALL**

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne,  
Hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless king throughout eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,  
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.  
All hail, Redeemer, hail, for thou hast died for me.  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

**SECOND LESSON**

*John 20:11-18*

**SERMON**

*Easter Keeps On Going*

Rev. William Schram

**ANTHEM**

*Joy in the Morning*

Natalie Sleeth

**JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**AN EASTER PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Lord Jesus, we greet You,  
**Risen from the dead, victorious over sin and  
death, over suffering and shame, over all evil and wrong.**  
Lord Jesus, we greet You,  
**Risen from the dead, overcoming by the power of**

**love, by patient trust and perseverance, by faith in God alone.**

Lord Jesus, we greet You, risen from the dead,

**Proving that nothing can separate us from God's love, showing us how far that love will go, and suffering for the sins of the world.**

Lord Jesus, we greet You, Risen from the dead,

**And we offer You our thanks and our praise, our prayers and our worship, our devotion and our service.**

Lord, Jesus, we greet You,

**And we pray to you, and we pray through you, and we pray with joy and confidence as you taught us, saying.....**

**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.**

HYMN

*All the Earth with Joy Is Sounding*

MICHAEL

Herbert Howells (1892 – 1983), arr. Walter L. Pelz

All the earth with joy is sounding:

Christ has risen from the dead!

He, the greater Jonah, bounding  
From the grave, His three-day bed.

Wins the prize; Death's demise  
Songs of triumph fill the skies.

Christ, the devil's might unwinding,  
Leaves behind His borrowed tomb.

Stronger He, the strong man binding,  
Takes disarms his house of doom:

In the rout Casting out  
Pow'rs of darkness, sin, and doubt.

Jesus, author of salvation,

Shared in our humanity:

Crowned with radiant exaltation,

Now He shares His victory!

From His face Shines the grace

Meant for all our fallen race.

Praise the Lord, His reign commences

Reign of life and liberty

Paschal Lamb, for our offenses,

Slain and raised to set us free!

Evermore Bow before

Christ, the Lord of Life adore!

**\*\*BENEDICTION**

A new day is here.

**SONrise!**

A new beginning.

**SONrise!**

A second chance.

**SONrise!**

Renewed hope.

**SONrise!**

Let it touch our hearts.

