

Worship ~ Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

Verse 1

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Verse 2

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doeth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, Oh grave? Alleluia!

Bridge

He is not dead – He is ALIVE!
We have this hope – In Jesus Christ!

Verse 4

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia! (BRIDGE)



Verse 5

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia! (BRIDGE)

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Welcome Home!



Prayer Requests ~ Closing Prayer & Blessing

“May the Lord bless you and keep you; and make His face shine upon you, and be gracious to you;
May the Lord lift up His countenance upon you, and give you peace.”

Welcome Home Service

Welcome ~ Pastor Mark Geer

Prayer ~ Pastor Mark Geer

Message Series ~ The Journey to Easter

“The Journey to the Empty Tomb”

Matthew 28:1-17



First Thing in the Morning!

Matthew 28:1-10 – Jesus Rises from the Dead and Appears to the Women.

¶ v.6 – *“He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.”*

Worship ~ Christ Arose

Verse 1

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!

Verse 2

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus, my Savior!
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Verse 3

Death cannot keep his prey, Jesus, my Savior!
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

** *Hallelujah! Christ Arose!* By Robert Lowry 1874

Worship ~ Because He Lives!

Verse 1

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus;
He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

Chorus

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living, just because He lives!

Verse 2

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy he brings;
But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days because He Lives!

Verse 3

And then one day, I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then, as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!

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Worship ~ In Christ Alone! (Continued...)

Verse 4 – (Continued...)

From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny

No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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A Personalized Encounter

John 20:19-30 – Jesus
Appears to the Eleven and
then Personally to Thomas!



↳ v.27 – *Then He said to Thomas, “Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing.”*

↳ v.29 – *Jesus said to him, “Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. **Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.**”*

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HAVE NOT seen
AND YET HAVE
Believed*

A Race to the Tomb

John 20:3-10 – Peter & John
Race to The Empty Tomb!

↳ v.9 – *“For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead.”*



A Personal Encounter

Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18 – Jesus
Appears First To Mary Magdalene!

↳ John 20:18 – *“Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that He had spoken these things to her.*

Worship ~ He Lives!

Verse 1

I serve a risen Saviour, He's in the world today
I know that He is living, whatever men may say
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer
And just the time I need Him He's always near

Chorus

He lives! He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me
Along life's narrow way
He lives! He lives! Salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives?
He lives within my heart

Verse 2

In all the world around me I see His loving care
And though my heart grows weary I never will despair
I know that He is leading, thro' all the stormy blast
The day of His appearing will come at last

Worship ~ He Lives! (Continued...)

Chorus

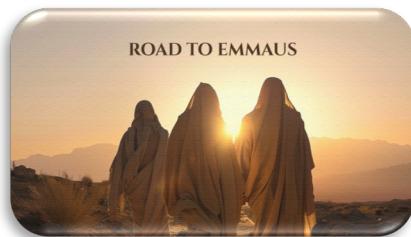
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Verse 3

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian! Lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find
None other is so loving, so good and kind

Chorus

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The Road To Emmaus

Luke 24:13-35 – Cleopas &
Another Disciple Encounter
the Risen Savior!

↳ Luke 24:30-32 – ³⁰Now it came to pass, as He sat at the table with them, that He took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. ³¹Then their eyes were opened and they knew Him; and He vanished from their sight. ³²And they said to one another, “Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?”

A Group Encounter

1 Corinthians 15:3-8 – Jesus Appeared to Peter!
Then to the Twelve! And many others...

Worship ~ In Christ Alone!

Verse 1

In Christ alone, my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

Verse 2

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live, I live

Verse 3

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ



Verse 4

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me