

**WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD: CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION
MARCH 31, 2024**

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

*As we quiet our hearts for worship,
please silence all phones and electronic devices.*

Prelude *(Children ages 3 through 3rd grade may be escorted to Children's Church)*

Announcements and Welcome

Call to Worship John 3:16

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son that whoever believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.”

Invocation

Declaration of Truth

Leader: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Hymn of Praise *Come, People of the Risen King*

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Come, people of the Risen King, who delight to bring Him praise;
Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to Him,
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Refrain: *Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun, and those weeping through the night;
Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight.
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease,
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land—men and women of the faith;
Come, those with full or empty hands—find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, His people sing—shore to shore we hear them call
The Truth that cries through every age: “Our God is all in all!”

PROCLAIMING THE RESURRECTION IN WORD AND SONG

Seeing and Believing

John 20:30-31 Dee Hammond
Pastor of Missions

All: *The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

God So Loved The World Choir

God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son,
that who so believeth, believeth in Him
should not perish but have everlasting life.
For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world.
But that the world through Him might be saved.

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John 20:1-9

Hymn of Praise *Amazing Love*

My Lord, what love is this- that pays so dearly;
That I, the guilty one may go free.

Refrain:

*Amazing love, O what sacrifice, The Son of God, giv'n for me;
My debt He pays and my death He dies,
That I might live, that I might live.*

And so they watched Him die; despised, rejected;
But O, the blood He shed flowed for me.

And now this love of Christ shall flow like rivers;
Come wash your guilt away, live again.

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Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Easter Song Fantasia Choir and Orchestra

John 20:10-23

Ben Phillips
Pastor of Ministries

The Power of the Cross Choir and Orchestra

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day:
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
nailed to a cross of wood.

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath—we stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,
bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed
crowning Your blood-stained brow.

Now the daylight flees;
now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
“Finished!” the vict'ry cry.

*This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath—we stand forgiven at the cross.*

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,
For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death; life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.

Travis Brown
Pastor to Youth

This, the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven at the cross.

This, the pow'r of the cross:
Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost!
We stand forgiven—at -- the cross. The cross.
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A Morning Like This

Was it a morning like this
When the Son still hid from Jerusalem?
And Mary rose from her bed
To tend the Lord she thought was dead

Was it a morning like this
When Mary walked down from Jerusalem?
And two angels stood at the tomb
Bearers of news she would hear soon

Did the grass sing?
Did the earth rejoice to feel You again?

Refrain:
Over and over like a trumpet underground
Did the earth seem to pound "He is risen!"
Over and over in a never-ending round
"He is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

Was it a morning like this
When Peter and John ran from Jerusalem?
And as they raced toward the tomb
Beneath their feet was there a tune?

Was it a morning like this?
When my Lord looked out on Jerusalem
He is risen! Alleluia!

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John 20:24-31 Pastor Rick Holmes

Hymn of Response *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*
What is our hope in life and death?
Christ alone, Christ alone
What is our only confidence?
That our souls to him belong
Who holds our days within his hand?
What comes, apart from his command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ, in which we stand

Refrain: *O sing hallelujah!*
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah!
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul?
God is good, God is good
Where is his grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore.

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OUR RESPONSE

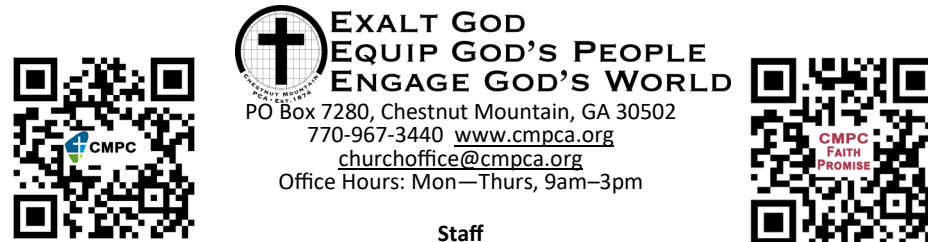
Hymn of Parting *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*
Christ the Lord is ris'n today. Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav'ns and earth reply, Alleluia!

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!

The Benediction and Threefold Amen



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