# Lord's Day Worship

A DIVINE SERVICE OF COVENANT RENEWAL

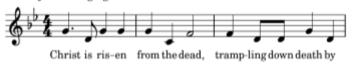
#### **EASTER SUNDAY**

April 9, 2023

### GOD CALLS US

CALL TO WORSHIP

Matthew 28:1-10





Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life. (3x)

Let God arise, and let him scatter his enemies.

And let them that hate him flee from before him! Psalm 68:1
Refrain

As smoke vanishes, let them vanish,

As wax melts in the face of fire.

Psalm 68:2

Refrain

Our God is the God of salvation,

And to God the Lord belong escapes from death. Psalm 68:2

Refrain

This is the day that the Lord has made:

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24

Refrain

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen!

Refrain (3x)

Pr: Christ is Risen!

All: He is Risen indeed!

Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death;

And upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Are there any who are lovers of God?

Let them enjoy this bright, beautiful festival!

Are there any who are grateful servants?

Let them rejoice and enter the joy of their Lord!

Let no one grieve at his poverty,

For the riches of the kingdom of the Risen Christ have been revealed!

Let no one mourn that he has fallen again and again,

For forgiveness has risen from the grave!

Let no one fear death,

For the death of our Savior has set us free.

He has destroyed death by enduring it;

He destroyed hell when he descended into it.

Death is in an uproar because it is mocked;

Death is in an uproar because it is now made captive.

Death, where is thy sting?

Grave, where is thy victory?

Christ is Risen!

And you, O Death, are annihilated!

Christ is Risen!

And the demons are cast down!

Christ is Risen!

And the tomb will be emptied of its dead!

For Christ, having risen from the dead,

Has become the first-fruit of those who have fallen asleep!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit!

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen!

(from John Chrysostom's Easter Homily, c. 400 AD)

†RESPONSE TO GOD'S CALL

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (Verses 1-5) ...... Selection 277

## GOD CLEANSES US

†PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father, we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We are not worthy to be called your children; and thus we turn to you again. Have mercy on us, and bring us back to yourself as those who were once dead but now have life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

†DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Now lift up your heads, and hear these words of comfort and good news from the Scriptures...

"[Righteousness] will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification."

Romans 4:24-25

Our heavenly Father, in his great mercy, has given his only Son to die for you, and for his sake forgives you all your sins; wherefore as Christ's minister and by his authority, I declare to you that all of your sins are forgiven, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen!



Choir: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen!

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!

My Love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow!

Had Christ, who once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison,
Our faith would be in vain: But now has Christ arisen!

Death's flood has lost its chill, since Jesus crossed the river; Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. Had Christ, who once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, Our faith would be in vain: But now has Christ arisen!

My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber,
Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.
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Our faith would be in vain: But now has Christ arisen!

### GOD CONVERSES WITH US

OLD TESTAMENT READING	Job 19:23-27ε
This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God!	i.
EPISTLE READING	
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†GOSPEL READING	Luke 24:36-43
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†HYMN OF PRAISE

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made.

Who, for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us, under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen!

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### GOD COMMUNES WITH US

†The Great Thanksgiving

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord!

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise!

Pastor:

It is indeed right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere, to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God; but chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious Resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, for he is the very Paschal Lamb; who by His death has destroyed death, and by His rising to life again, has granted to us everlasting life. Therefore, in union with the saints who have gone before us and the whole church on earth, we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to

proclaim the glory of your Name:

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts; heaven and

earth are full of your glory. Glory be to you, O Lord

Most High!

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Prayer of Preparation & Faith

We do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your steadfast love, which endures forever. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Father, to partake of the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ, that we may grow into his likeness, and evermore abide in union with him, and he with us. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Bread

Pastor: Alleluia, Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us:

All: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Wine

Pastor: Let us confess the mystery of our faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again!

### **GOD COMMISSIONS US**

†HYMN OF RESPONSE

"The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done"..... Selection 275

†Prayer of Dedication

All gracious God, who of your infinite love gave your only begotten son, Jesus Christ, to die for our sins and rise again for our justification, and have made us partakers of your divine nature through the gift of the Holy Spirit; accept the fruits of our labors which we now present to you in this offering and also our very selves as we stand before you; and hear us as we pray as your Son taught us: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen!

†HYMN OF PRAISE

"Christ is Risen! O Praise Him!".... Tune: "All Creatures of Our God and King"

Light's glitt'ring morning fills the sky, heav'n thunders out its victor cry: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Earth shouts her Paschal triumph high, and groaning hell makes wild reply. Christ is Risen! O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

For Christ the Lord, the mighty King, closes with death and draws its sting: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

He tramples down the powers of night, brings out his ransomed saints to light Christ is Risen! O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

His rocky tomb the threefold guard of watch and stone and seal had barred: Alleluia! Alleluia!

But now in royal triumph high he comes from death to victory! Christ is Risen! O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Death's gates are broken down at last, our days of mourning now are past: Alleluia! Alleluia!

"Weep not!" an angel voice has said. "The Lord is risen from the dead!" Christ is Risen! O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All praise be Thine, O risen Lord, from death to endless life restored: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

To Father, Son, and Spirit be all power and praise eternally! Christ is Risen! O praise Him! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

†Pastoral Benediction

Pastor: The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face

shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his

face toward you and give you peace.

People: Amen! Amen! Amen!

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