

EASTER DAWN

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JESUS' RESURRECTION CHANGES EVERYTHING



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WELCOME TO GRACE!

We're glad you're here! May the Word of God bring you comfort in Christ alone. You can follow along with the service using this worship folder for our outdoor service this morning. If you're new here, below is some helpful information about our facilities and our worship...

- Please reserve the **BACK ROWS** for parents with **SMALL CHILDREN**.
- A **PARENT'S ROOM** with private changing area and restroom is available through the door at the back of the middle aisle in our church sanctuary. Speak with an usher if you need help getting there from the courtyard.
- **RESTROOMS** are available in the Narthex or in our school just down the breezeway from the courtyard. Speak with an usher if you need directions.
- **LARGE PRINT** bulletins are available. See an usher to receive one.
- Visit our **WEBSITE** at www.graceglendale.org for additional information about our ministries and upcoming events.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Please stand

EASTER GREETING

PASTOR: Christ is risen!

ALL: He is risen indeed!

PASTOR: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

ALL: Amen.

PASTOR: Why do you look for the living among the dead? Jesus is risen – just as he said!

WOMEN: He is risen indeed.

PASTOR: The Lord is risen!

MEN: He is risen indeed!

PASTOR: Jesus is risen!

ALL: He is risen indeed!

PASTOR: Where, O death, is your victory? Where O death, is your sting?

ALL: Death has been swallowed up in victory!

PASTOR: Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.”

ALL: We believe that Jesus died and rose again!

PASTOR: Jesus promises, “Because I live, you also will live!”

ALL: Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

PASTOR: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

ALL: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Please be seated.

HYMN: SEE, WHAT A MORNING

CW 451



1 See, what a morn - ing, glo - rious-ly bright, with the dawn-ing of
 2 See Mar-y weep - ing, "Where is he laid?" as in sor - row she
 3 One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, thro' the Spir - it who



hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; fold - ed the grave-clothes,
 turns from the emp - ty tomb. Hears a voice speak - ing,
 clothes faith with cer - tain - ty. Hon - or and bless - ing,



tomb filled with light, as the an - gels an-ounce, "Christ is
 call - ing her name; it's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to
 glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au -



ris - en!" See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in
 life a-gain! The voice that spans the years, speak - ing
 thor - i - ty! And we are raised with him; death is



love, borne in pain, paid in sac - ri-fice, ful - filled in
 life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing peace to us, will sound till
 dead, love has won, Christ has con - quered. And we shall



Christ, the Man, for he lives: Christ is ris-en from the dead!
 he ap - pears, for he lives: Christ is ris-en from the dead!
 reign with him, for he lives: Christ is ris-en from the dead!

EASTER PRAYER

Living Lord, grant us joy and peace on this day of resurrection!

Grant us hearts that believe and mouths that confess your saving name!

May your gospel today give comfort for the present and hope for the future!

Direct our eyes of faith to see your glory and cling to your grace. Amen.

GRACE NOTES & MEN'S CHORUS

“Rise Up, Easter Morning”

FIRST READING

Isaiah 12

We proclaim the salvation our God has won for us!

¹In that day you will say: “I will praise you, LORD. Although you were angry with me, your anger has turned away and you have comforted me. ²Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The LORD, the LORD himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation.” ³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴In that day you will say: “Give praise to the LORD, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. ⁵Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. ⁶Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you.”

Christ is risen!

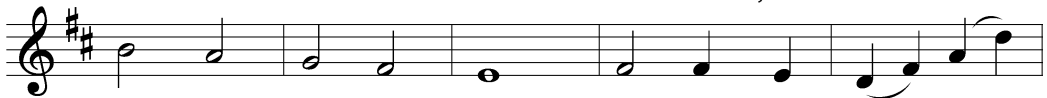
He is risen indeed!

HYMN: I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

CW 441 sts. 1–3



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with his love; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; he lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; he lives my hun - gry



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
in the sky; he lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; he lives to help in time of need.

SECOND READING

1 Corinthians 5:6b–8

Christ's sacrifice moves us to live in his love and truth.

Don't you know that a little yeast leavens the whole batch of dough? ⁷Get rid of the old yeast, so that you may be a new unleavened batch—as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old bread leavened with malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

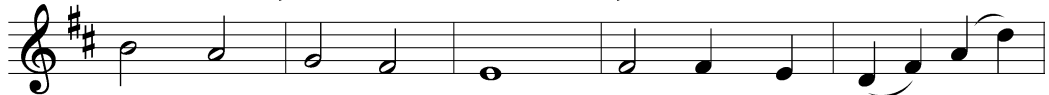
Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!**HYMN: I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES**

CW 441 sts. 4–6



4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 5 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to
 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'n - ly friend; he lives and



guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my
 loves me to the end; he lives, and while he



me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.
 lives, I'll sing; he lives, my Proph - et, Priest, and King.

*Please stand***GOSPEL**

John 20:1–18

The resurrection of Jesus changes everything for his followers.

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance.

²So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!"

³So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of

linen lying there, ⁷as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. ⁸Finally the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹(They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.) ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

¹¹Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹²and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

"They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. ¹⁵He asked her, "**Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?**" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "**Mary.**" She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means "Teacher").

¹⁷Jesus said, "**Do not hold on to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go instead to my brothers and tell them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'**"

¹⁸Mary Magdalene went to the disciples with the news: "I have seen the Lord!" And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed!

Please be seated

HYMN: I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVES

CW 441 sts. 7-8

7 He lives and grants me dai - ly breath; he lives, and
8 He lives, all glo - ry to his name! He lives, my
I shall con - quer death; he lives my man - sion
Je - sus, still the same. Oh, the sweet joy this
to pre - pare; he lives to bring me safe - ly there.
sen - tence gives: I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

JESUS IS ALIVE – AND THAT CHANGES EVERYTHING

Please stand

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Lord of life, fill our hearts with joy this day, for you have risen from the grave.
Imprint this message of victory on our hearts and implant it in our minds.

By baptizing us into your name, you have connected us to your death and resurrection. You put our sin to death and have given us a new life.
Enable us each day to walk in newness of life in all we do.

In this fallen world, death and sorrow surround us. Touch the hearts of those who grieve the loss of a Christian they love.
Direct their eyes to your empty tomb and ease their pain and sorrow.

Lord, many people grieve without hope. Let the message of your resurrection reach them and awaken faith in their souls.
Use us as your instruments to bring the gospel to their hearts and minds.

Stay by the side of all who are suffering, including our fellow believers here at Grace. In your wise mercy, heal those who are sick or hurting in body or mind.
Comfort them and give them eternal hope by your victory over death.

Risen Savior, feed our faith and grant us always rest in Word and Sacrament.
Sustain and strengthen us until we feast with you in eternal glory. Amen.

OFFERINGS OF LOVE TO OUR RISEN LORD

Please complete the "Welcome to Worship" insert in your bulletin at this time.
Visitors, please share your name and contact info. We're so glad you joined us!

HYMN: AWAKE, MY HEART, WITH GLADNESS

CW 443



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness— see what to -
 2 The foe in tri - umph shout - ed when Christ lay
 3 This is a sight that glad - dens— what peace it
 4 Now I will cling for - ev - er to Christ, my
 5 He brings me to the por - tal that leads to



day is done! Now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, comes
 in the tomb; but lo, he now is rout - ed, his
 does im - part! Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens the
 Sav - ior dear. My Lord will leave me nev - er; with
 bliss un - told, where - on this rhyme im - mor - tal is



forth the glo - rious sun. My Sav - ior there was
 boast is turned to gloom. For Christ a - gain is
 joy with - in my heart. No gloom shall ev - er
 him I need not fear. He rends death's i - ron
 found in script of gold: "Who there my cross has



laid where our bed must be made when to the
 free; in glo - rious vic - to - ry he who is
 shake, no foe shall ev - er take the hope which
 chain; he breaks through sin and pain. He shat - ters
 shared finds here a crown pre - pared; who there with



realms of light our spir - it wings its flight.
 strong to save has tri - umphed o'er the grave.
 God's own Son in love for me has won.
 hell's dark thrall; I fol - low him through all.
 me has died shall here be glo - ri - fied."

Please stand

PRAYER

Lord of life, fill our hearts with joy this day, for you have risen and conquered the grave. Imprint the message of victory on our hearts and implant it in our minds. Through the good news of your resurrection renew our hope and revive our faith. Send us forth this day with the peace of forgiveness and the confidence of eternal life in heaven.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

Amen.

Please be seated



**I AM THE
RESURRECTION
AND THE LIFE**

HYMN: IN YOU IS GLADNESS

CW 513



1 In you is glad - ness a - mid all sad - ness, Je - sus,
 2 If he is ours, we fear no pow - ers, not of



sun - shine of my heart. By you are giv - en the gifts of
 earth or sin or death. He sees and bless - es in worst dis -



heav - en, you the true Re - deem - er are. Our souls are
 tress - es; he can change them with a breath. Where - fore the



wak - ing, our bonds are break - ing; who trusts you
 sto - ry tell of his glo - ry with hearts and



sure - ly has built se - cure - ly and stands for - ev - er.
 voic - es; all heav'n re - joic - es in him for - ev - er.



Al - le - lu - ia! Our hearts are pin - ing to see your
 Al - le - lu - ia! We shout for glad - ness, win o - ver



shin - ing, dy - ing or liv - ing to you are
 sad - ness, love him and praise him and still shall



cling - ing now and for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!
 raise him glad hymns for - ev - er. Al - le - lu - ia!

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If you are able, please help us move the chairs from the courtyard to the fellowship hall for our breakfast after the service.

Easter Breakfast

(fellowship hall)

7:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Children's Egg Hunt

(courtyard)

9:30 a.m.

Easter Festival Worship

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.