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*No matter who you are,  
or where you are on life's journey,  
you're welcome here.*



*Welcome to our Combined  
10:15am Worship Service  
In-Person & Streaming Online*



**April 17, 2022  
Easter Sunday  
10:15 a.m.**

# Welcome

*May God's loving presence be very real to you,  
and may you receive strength and guidance today  
That will enable you to handle life's challenges.*

## **Children's Bulletins**

Crayons and activity bulletins are available in the narthex.

The activities match today's Bible readings and are designed for 3-6 & 7-12 year olds.

## **Biblias en Español**

Biblias Bilingües en Español y Inglés están disponible en el vestíbulo narthex en la mesa de visitantes azul.  
(*Bilingual Bibles in Spanish & English are available in the narthex hallway on the blue visitors' table*).

## **Nursery**

Persons of all ages (including children) are very welcome to participate in the entire worship service. For safety, during the COVID pandemic we temporarily ceased having supervised nursery for 0-8 year olds, on Sunday, September 11, 2022. In the meantime, parents who would like to do so, are welcome to watch their own children in the nursery, where a closed circuit TV is located, so that you can still see and hear the worship service.

## **Junior Worship**

For safety, during the pandemic we temporarily ceased offering Junior Worship. We will resume Junior Worship on Sunday, September 11, 2022. The option of Junior Worship is offered downstairs, on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month, following the children's sermon, for elementary age children to learn about today's scripture lessons.

## **Restrooms**

Restrooms are located both on the first and second floors to the left of the elevator.

## **Changing Tables**

All four of our restrooms have changing tables. Each restroom has two "child care protection seats" to keep toddlers safe and secure while their parents use the restroom.

## **Water Fountains**

For the safety of all, our water fountains are disabled during the pandemic.

## **Sunday School & Adult Faith Formation Classes**

Classes for all ages are held at 9:00am.

## **Sunday Worship**

Sunday Worship is held at 10:15am.

## **Prayer and Care**

If you would like to add yourself or someone else to the prayer list, or request a pastoral call, please call or email the church office. You are welcome to take home with you a copy of *Our Daily Bread* daily devotional booklet, located on a table in the narthex hallway.

## **Looking for a Church to Call Home**

If you are looking for a new church family home, we would be happy for you to consider St. Paul's or Zion United Church of Christ. For more information about St. Paul's, Zion, and the UCC, we invite you to talk with our pastors, an usher, a greeter, or any member of our churches.

## **More Information...**

Additional literature about our missions, ministries, and fellowship opportunities is located on the **Blue Visitor Table** in the narthex hallway, or contact us using the contact information on the front page of this bulletin.

Please let us know if we can be in prayer with you or if there is any way in which we can help make your worship experience more meaningful.

*{Symbols used in this bulletin: \* = if able please stand; ♪# = Red Hymnal Page; ♪# = Blue Hymnal Page}*



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# We Gather

*We are coming together as a community of faith to worship our God,  
and provide for one another our love, support, and care.*

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They are there for your safety and the safety of those around you to help designate social distancing.*

## A TIME OF GATHERING

### RINGING OF THE BELL

### PRELUDE Handbells

*{To center your hearts and minds,  
you are invited to individually offer this prayer silently  
during or before the Prelude}*

### PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP ② *(Individual Silent Prayer)*

With thanksgiving, praise, and joy, we worship you, marvelous God. How amazing is all your creation! How glorious is this day of new life! Come among us now, we pray, to raise us up from our fears and doubts and perplexity. We want to believe. We want to trust. We want to dare. We want to live. Touch us today with a spirit of hope, that our discipleship may honor Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

## Greeting and Welcome

*{Those who are able, please rise}*

*{Please remember to wear a mask whenever singing}*

### \*PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

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### \*INVOCATION

Leader: In the name of God the Father, and of God the Son, and of God the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP ②

Leader: Sing the glad songs of victory.  
God is creating a day of newness and joy.

**People: God is our strength and our song;  
this is the day of our salvation.**

Leader: Christ has been raised from the dead,  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

**People: We are chosen by God as witnesses to good news.  
We will live and recount the deeds of our God.**

## We Repent

*This is a time to confess our wrongdoings and neglects, ask for God's mercy, admit our need for God's forgiving grace, hear the assurance of our forgiveness, and then give God our thanks and praise.*

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION ② (Leader)

Doubters, believers, disciples, deceivers: come to the one who makes all things new. The gates of righteousness are open to us, and a welcome awaits all who truly enter the presence of God, seeking forgiveness. The God whom we have rejected offers acceptance and healing.

### \*CONFESSION OF SIN ② (Unison)

**Almighty God, we are blinded to your majesty. We have taken for granted the amazing wonder of life, without seeing you as the source of all things. We shrink from the chastening judgment we deserve. We resist the changes we know we must make to receive new life. Saver us from the calamity of our selfish ways. Rescue us from all hurtful and destructive habits. Forgive our broken promises, heal our broken relationships, lift our broken spirits, so we may share in the resurrection of Christ. Amen.**

### \*SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

*{A time to silently offer our personal prayers of confession}*

*{Please remember to wear a mask whenever singing}*

### \*PRAYER FOR MERCY

*"Kyrie"*

*♩ Red #518*

Leader (*spoken*):

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People (*sung*):**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

Leader (*spoken*):

Christ, have mercy upon us.

**People (*sung*):**

**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Leader (*spoken*):

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**People (*sung*):**

**Lord, have mercy upon us.**

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON ② (Leader)

Rejoice with all creation around God's throne! The light of the risen Christ puts to flight all evil deeds, washes away sin, restores innocence to the fallen, casts out hate, brings peace, and humbles earthly pride. Jesus Christ loves you and frees you from your sins by his blood. To him be glory and dominion forever and ever! **Amen.**

### \*CALL TO PRAISE

Leader: He is risen!

**People: He is Risen Indeed!**

### \*SUNG PRAISE

*"Alleluia"*

*♩ Blue #189*

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**He is risen, alleluia; He is risen, alleluia;  
He is risen, alleluia; He is risen, alleluia.**

*{Please be seated}*

## We Hear the Word of God

*We seek to learn more about God's love and grace, and how we are to live our lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. The Bible is our primary text on faith, which we consider to be scripture - sacred writings.*

*We believe the Bible to be the "inspired word of God."  
Gospel (which means "Good News") refers to Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, which are Christians' most central books of the Bible.*

### Proclamation of Scripture

First Lesson: [Acts 10:34-43](#)

Second Lesson: [1 Corinthians 15:1-11](#)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON: [Luke 24:1-12](#)

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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HYMN

*"He Lives"*

**Cel #368**

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### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CONGREGATIONAL SONG 1. "Praise Him, Praise Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love.  
Praise Him, Praise Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love.  
2. "Love Him"... 3. "Thank Him"...

SERMON

## We Respond with Thanks

*We have heard God's call and have come and worshiped,  
we have confessed our sins and been assured of our forgiveness, we have  
learned more about God's grace and God's will. We now respond by  
re-affirming our faith in God,  
praying with and for one another, trusting in God's providence in our world, and  
giving of ourselves for the sake of the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ.*

(Those who are able, please rise)

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*Unison*)

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

**And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended to the dead;  
on the third day he rose again,  
ascended into heaven,  
and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

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

†The word "catholic" means "the universal church" and was the word used in the original version of the Creed.  
It does not refer here to the particular denomination of the Roman Catholic Church, but rather the whole  
Christian church of all denominations, the body of Christ, as a universal fellowship.

### \*AFFIRMATION SUNG PRAISE "Alleluia"

♪ *Blue #189*

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**I will serve him, alleluia; I will serve him, alleluia;  
I will serve him, alleluia; I will serve him, alleluia.**

*(Please be seated)*

### CALL TO PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Let us pray...

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader: On this most holy day, let us pray to God for the church, the earth, and all in  
need, that the whole world may know the resurrection that God promises  
to give.

*{A brief silent prayer}*

O God of life, pour the life of your Son's resurrection into the churches. Make visible the unity we have in you. Show to each denomination the strengths of the others. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Leader: Give to the lands and seas the life of your continuing creation. Water the flowers of springtime, and nurture the growing crops. Bless all who protect your plants and animals. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Leader: Grant to all nations your life of peace. Keep us from war. Lead us into justice. Turn enemies into friends. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Leader: Visit the needy with your compassionate life. Feed the hungry. Nurse the sick. Protect the weak. Comfort the sorrowful. Attend the dying. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Leader: Raise up this assembly with the life of your Spirit. Reveal in our community the signs of Christ's resurrection. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Leader: O God of life, we praise you for the faithful who have met you in death. Bring us all through death into the life of your resurrection. Hear us, O God.

**People: Your mercy is great.**

Leader: O God, we praise your life. We bless your mercy. We honor your power. Transform all that is dying with the joy of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who taught us when we pray to say....

#### LORD'S PRAYER *(Unison)*

**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.**

#### SUNG PRAYER RESPONSE

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

*♩ Blue #340*

**Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face;  
and the things of earth will grow strangely dim in the light of his glory and  
grace.**

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#### OFFERTORY INVITATION ②

Leader: We who enjoy the work of our hands do not labor in vain.

**People: We who invest the fruits of our effort in the sharing of good news are  
doubly blessed.**

Leader: May our gifts represent our commitment, even as they bear witness and offer healing.

**People: Let us give thanks through our tithes and offerings.**

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** “Christ the Lord is Risen” Lani Smith from Geistliche Leider 1533

*{Those who are able, please rise}*

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**\*OFFERTORY RESPONSE** “Alleluia”

♫ **Blue #189**

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**You are worthy, alleluia; You are worthy, alleluia;  
You are worthy, alleluia; You are worthy, alleluia!**

*{As we share in hybrid worship, there is no passing of the plate in person.  
A plate is placed in the rear of the sanctuary for offerings to be placed  
when arriving or departing from the sanctuary.*

*Whether worshiping in person or online,  
the safest way to offer your tithe and offering to God through his church  
is through St. Paul's UCC secure [Online Giving](#) option on our website at [sprucc.org](http://sprucc.org). [St. Paul's UCC Click Here](#)  
Offerings may also be mailed to St. Paul's UCC; 301 West Penn Ave; Robesonia, PA 19551  
or Zion UCC; PO Box 97; Womelsdorf, PA 19567}.*

**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER** (Leader) ②

Thank you, God, for resurrection. We rejoice in Christ as the first fruits of all that you make available to us. As you offered Christ to the world, so we would offer ourselves. May we, along with our gifts, testify to good news of your forgiving love and empowering acceptance. **Amen.**



## Sacrament of Holy Communion ②②

*The Sacrament of Holy Communion is the central act of Christian worship, bringing us more fully together with one another and the Triune God, through the sacrifice of the body and blood of Jesus Christ. (Matthew 26:20-30, Mark 14:17-26, Luke 22:14-23, John 13:21-30)*

### \*INVITATION

Leader: Dearly beloved in the Lord: Our blessed Saviour Jesus Christ instituted the Holy Communion of his Body and Blood, that it might be the abiding memorial of his atoning death; the seal of his perpetual presence in the Church through the Holy Spirit; the mystical representation of the sacrifice of himself on the cross; the pledge of his undying love for his people; and the bond of his living union and fellowship with them to the end of time.

**ALL: The celebration of the Lord's Supper has ever been regarded by the Church as the innermost sanctuary of the whole Christian worship. What we do here is not merely with signs, but with the realities these signs represent. We seek to approach the Lord's Table rightly, striving to be devout and repentant, with a believing mind.**

Leader: We cordially invite to partake of this Sacrament all who are truly grieved and penitent for their sins, who look to the Lord Jesus Christ for righteousness and salvation, who abide in the fellowship of his Church, and who desire to possess his Spirit and walk in his ways. To all such the compassionate Redeemer himself says: Come unto me, all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

### \*COMMUNION PRAYER

Leader: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, who created the heavens and the earth and all that is in them, who made humankind in your own image, and whose tender mercies are over all your works.

We bless you for the beauty and bounty of the earth and for the vision of the day when sharing by all will mean scarcity for none.

We remember the covenant you made with your people Israel, and we give you thanks for all our ancestors in faith. We rejoice that you call us to reconciliation with you and all people everywhere and that you remain faithful to your covenant even when we are faithless.

We rejoice that you call the entire human family to this table of sacrifice and victory. We come in remembrance and celebration of the gift of Jesus Christ, whom you sent, in the fullness of time, to be the good news. Born of Mary, our sister in faith, Christ lived among us to reveal the mystery of your Word, to suffer and die on the cross for us, to be raised from death on the third day, and then to live in glory.

We give thanks to you, gracious God, for the presence of your Holy Spirit in the church you have gathered. With your sons and daughters of faith in all places and times, we praise you with joy and sing....

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**\*SANCTUS**

*“Holy, Holy, Holy”*

*Seraphic Hymn*

*{Sanctus is Latin for “Holy.” Seraphic Hymn refers to the song of the Seraphim Angels. Sabaoth is a Hebrew name for God, referring to God as both creator and ruler of the world}.*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;  
Heaven and earth are full, are full of the majesty of thy glory,  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!  
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord,  
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the highest!**

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*{Please be seated}*

## **WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Leader: Lord, we remember that on the night of betrayal and desertion, and on the eve of death, Jesus gathered the disciples for the feast of Passover. Jesus took bread, and after giving thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to the disciples, saying: “This is my body which is broken for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying: “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes again.

Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of our faith.

**ALL: Christ has died,  
Christ is risen,  
Christ will come again.**

## **PRAYER OF CONSECRATION**

Ordained Minister:

Eternal God, we unite in this covenant of faith, recalling Christ’s suffering and death, rejoicing in Christ’s resurrection, and awaiting Christ’s return in victory. We offer you these gifts of the earth and of our labor. We present to you our very lives, committed to your service in behalf of all people.

Consecrate, therefore, by your Holy Spirit, the gifts of bread, wine, and grape juice, bless these before us here in this place and bless those being shared in homes this day, and bless us all as we receive them. May we offer you our faith and praise, through the Holy Spirit may we be united in communion with Christ and with one another, experience oneness with all Christians during this Easter season and throughout the year, no matter the physical distance, and may we continue faithful in all things.

**ALL:** Be present with us as we share this meal, and throughout all our lives, that we may know you as the Holy One, who with Christ and the Holy Spirit, lives forever. Amen.

#### **LAMB OF GOD**

Leader: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

**People: have mercy on us.**

Leader: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

**People: have mercy on us.**

Leader: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world:

**People: grant us peace.**

#### **CALL TO THE SUPPER**

Leader: The gifts of God for the people of God.  
Come, for all things are ready.

#### **BREAKING THE BREAD, RAISING THE CUP, AND SHARING THE ELEMENTS**

*{For those who have the pre-filled cups:  
open the first seal - unleavened bread wafer}*

Pastor: The Body of Christ broken for you. Take and eat.

**People: Amen.**

*{You may eat the bread}*

*{For those who have the pre-filled cups:  
open the second seal - the fruit of the vine - grape juice}*

Pastor: The Blood of Christ shed for you. Take and drink.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*{You may drink the wine or grape juice}*

*{Those who are able, please rise}*

#### **\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Leader: Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.

**ALL: Amen.**

# We Are Sent Out

*In response to God's love and grace,  
we go out into the world to share God's Good News  
through our words and actions.*

## \*COMMISSION ②

Leader: Spread the message: Christ is alive!

Live the good news: our lives are renewed!

People: **We have seen and heard the good news.**

**We have been touched by the presence of Christ.**

Leader: Share the Word: God's peace is offered to all.

Rejoice in the promise: we shall triumph over death.

People: **We will worship weekly, pray daily, actively study scripture,  
generously give, and warmly welcome others into a relationship with  
God.**

ALL: **Amen.**

## \*BENEDICTION

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## \*THREE FOLD SUNG AMEN

♪Red #558

## \*SENDING HYMN

*"The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done"*

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*{Acolyte carries the light back into the world, leading us,  
as we now go to carry God's light and love back into the world.}*

## POSTLUDE

## TIME OF FELLOWSHIP



### The Flow of the Worship Service

Our worship service has an intentional order to it. The flow of worship is called the liturgical movement. The movement reminds us weekly of our journey in faith of moving from being separated from God by sin, to being restored by God's grace as disciples of Christ. It is based on the sixth chapter of the Biblical book of Isaiah.

- (1) God welcomes us and invites us
- (2) We respond to God's call by worshiping Him
- (3) We confess our need for God's forgiveness and grace
- (4) We are assured of God's forgiveness and grace
- (5) We learn more about God's will through scripture, song, and sermon
- (6) We grow closer to God and one another through prayer
- (7) We give God thanks by offering our time, talent, and treasure
- (8) We experience greater oneness with God and each other through Communion
- (9) God sends us into the world to share His love and grace with others



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## About Today

**Church Season: Easter** – The Easter Season begins on Easter Sunday, and continues for seven weeks until Pentecost. 40 days and six Sundays before Easter; a season of penitence as we reflect upon our personal sins, which led to the need for the sacrifice of Jesus’ life for us upon the cross.

The root word of “Lent” means to “lengthen”, referring to the lengthening of days as we anticipate spring and the new life granted through the resurrection – moving from darkness to light.

**Color of the Paraments** (cloths on the altar and pulpit):

**White** – symbolizes Christ as the Light of the World; Emmanuel, God is with us; the presence of Christ, for the Kingdom of God is near; the purity through Christ’s baptism.

The suggested scripture lessons are from the Revised Common Lectionary (RCL), which selects passages throughout the Bible over a three year cycle. The RCL is the most common lectionary used by Christian churches. We are in **Year C**, which emphasizes the Gospel of Luke.

The Bible is in two sections: Old Testament - OT (scripture prior to Christ’s birth), located in the first 2/3 of the Bible; and New Testament - NT (about Christ & early church). The first four books of the NT are called the “Gospels,” which Christians consider the most central books of the Bible; the rest of the NT takes place after his ascension into heaven.

### This Sunday, April 17 -- Lectionary Reading for Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34-43

Psalms 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Luke 24:1-12

#### **The Acts of the Apostles**

The Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles (NT) are attributed to Luke “the beloved physician” written around 59-90 A.D. This is essentially volume 2 of the Gospel of Luke. The Book of Acts records the ministry of the early church after the ascension of Jesus Christ into heaven, and guides us how we are to live, act, work, and be the church.

#### **Psalm 118**

This is an OT song of thanksgiving, used by an individual within the temple to give praise and thanks to God for God’s deliverance in times of distress. This is one of the “Egyptian Hallel” praise psalms (Psalms 113-114 commonly sung before the Passover meal, and Psalms 115-118 sung afterwards). This psalm lifts up images of the Holy City of God and the gates by which the righteous will enter. “Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.”

#### **The First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians**

This NT Epistle (letter) was written by the Apostle Paul between 53-54 A.D. to a gentile congregation he had founded several years earlier in Corinth (the capital city of the Roman province of Achaia, a large and prospering urban center that was ethnically, culturally, and religiously diverse). This letter is in response to issues within the Corinthian church, in particular factions caused by one-upmanship and privatization of faith. Paul encourages humility, unity within diversity, and witnessing to God’s grace. Paul was a Christian, Jew, Pharisee, Roman citizen, and church leader, who had a direct encounter with Jesus Christ on the road to Damascus after Jesus’ ascension into heaven. Paul wrote more of the NT than any other person.

#### **The Gospel According to Luke**

The Gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles is attributed to Luke “the beloved physician,” written around 59-90 A.D. (C.E.). Not having met Jesus personally, Luke undertook the task of “investigating everything carefully from the very first, to write and orderly account” of Jesus Christ, “so that you may know the truth concerning the things about which you have been instructed.”

### Next Sunday, April 24 -- Lectionary Reading for the Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32

Psalms 150

Revelation 1:4-8

John 20:19-31

# Christ the Lord Is Risen Today



1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 3 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - - - le - lu - ia!



Mor - tal tongues and an - gels say, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - - - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri-umphs high, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Once he died our souls to save, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Death in vain for - bids Christ rise, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Made like him, like him we rise, Al - - - le - lu - ia!



Sing, glad heaven, and earth re - ply, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Where's your vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ has o - pened Par - a - dise, Al - - - le - lu - ia!  
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - - - le - lu - ia!



# 368 He Lives

*I am the Living One; I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever!* Revelation 1:18

1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, He's in the world to - day; I  
 2. In all the world a - round me I see His lov - ing care; And  
 3. Re - joice, re - joice, O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing E -

know that He is liv - ing, what - ev - er men may say. I see His  
 tho' my heart grows wea - ry, I nev - er will de - spair. I know that  
 ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ, the King! The Hope of

hand of mer - cy, I hear His voice of cheer, And just the time I  
 He is lead - ing thro' all the storm - y blast; The day of His ap -  
 all who seek Him, the Help of all who find, None oth - er is so

need Him, He's al - ways near. He lives, He lives! Christ  
 pear - ing will come at last. He lives, He lives!  
 lov - ing, so good and kind. He lives, He lives!

Je - sus lives to - day! He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's

TEXT: Alfred H. Ackley  
 MUSIC: Alfred H. Ackley

ACKLEY  
 13.13.13.11. with Refrain



RESURRECTION

The musical score is written in a key signature of two flats (B-flat major or D-flat minor) and a 4/4 time signature. It consists of two systems of music. The first system contains measures 24 through 28, and the second system contains measures 29 through 32. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment line on a bass clef staff. Chord symbols are placed above the vocal line, and measure numbers are placed below the piano line. The lyrics are written below the vocal line.

Chord symbols for the first system (measures 24-28):  
Measure 24: B $\flat$ , B $\flat$ 7, E $\flat$ 7  
Measure 25: A $\flat$   
Measure 26: A $\flat$ 6, A $\flat$ 7, A $\flat$ 9, C  
Measure 27: D $\flat$   
Measure 28: D $\flat$ 6, D $\flat$ 7, C

Chord symbols for the second system (measures 29-32):  
Measure 29: C, F7, F+, F7, B $\flat$ 9, B $\flat$ 7, D $\circ$ 7, A $\flat$ , E $\flat$   
Measure 30: E $\flat$ 7, A $\flat$   
Measure 31: (no chord symbol)  
Measure 32: (no chord symbol)

Lyrics:  
nar - row way. He lives, He lives, sal - va - tion to im - part!  
He lives, He lives,  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives with - in my heart!

# His Resurrection

Latin; tr. FRANCIS POTT, 1861

8. 8. 8. 4. with Alleluias

VICTORY  
PALESTRINA, 1591  
Adapted by W. H. MONK

*Jubilantly. With majesty*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done;  
2. The powers of death have done their worst;  
3. The three sad days have quick - ly sped;  
4. He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell,  
5. Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed Thee,

The vic - to - ry of life is won; The song of  
But Christ their le - gions hath dis - persed: Let shouts of  
He ris - es glo - rious from the dead: All glo - ry  
The bars from heaven's high por - tals fell: Let hymns of  
From death's dread sting Thy serv - ants free, That we may

tri - umph has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise His tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
live and sing to Thee. Al - le - lu - ia! A - MEN.