



HE IS RISEN

Trinity Church • April 9, 2023  
EASTER SUNDAY

# WELCOME

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# RESURRECTION SUNDAY

## Devotional Preparation

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. — I Cor. 15:12-14

"Jesus has forced open a door that has been locked since the death of the first man. He has met, fought and beaten the King of Death. Everything is different because he has done so." — C.S. Lewis

"Christianity is, at its very essence, a resurrection religion. The concept of resurrection lies at its heart. If you remove it, Christianity is destroyed."

— John Stott

"The resurrection of Jesus is something to shout about. It is an explosive event whose fallout affects the whole human race." — Douglas Webster

## **“Easter Means That Our Coffins Will Not Stay Closed”**

by Trevin Wax, [thegospelcoalition.org](http://thegospelcoalition.org)

“Whoever believes in Me,  
though he die, yet shall he live,  
and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die.”  
– Jesus, to Martha (John 11:25-26)

Disillusionment and despair filled Martha’s heart as she hurried out of the house to confront Jesus on the road. Why hadn’t He come sooner? He could’ve healed Lazarus and saved them from anguish and grief. In their conversation that day, Martha affirmed her belief that her brother would be raised from the dead on the Last Day, according to the Scriptures.

Jesus then declared that He was “the Resurrection and the Life.” The keys to life and death were in His hands. The message Jesus had for Martha was this: “the resurrection life you believe will flood the earth on the Last Day is present in Me now.”

When people put their trust in Jesus, His resurrection power is released in their lives. We may die physically, but we cannot die spiritually. And what’s more, even physical death will be overturned by God on the Last Day.

The Resurrection of Jesus teaches us a vital truth: matter matters. The body is important. The Greek thinkers who believed matter to be evil and the spirit to be good were promoting a mindset foreign to the Jewish and Christian worldview. It is precisely because the body is valuable and God’s creation good that God has chosen to reclaim and redeem it, to stomp out the sin and destruction unleashed upon His beautiful world in the Garden of Eden.

We may taste death before Jesus returns, but one thing is certain: *our coffins will not stay closed*. Just as on Easter morning the grave could not hold Jesus, at the trumpet call of the Last Day, neither will the grave be able to hold the remains of those who are “in Christ.”

What was true of our Messiah in the dim light of Resurrection morning will be true of us in the noonday sunshine of the Last Day.

Our Lord is risen and exalted.

Though we die, yet shall we live. We too await the day of our bodily resurrection, when we will receive the transformed and eternal bodies that God has prepared for us.

## Prelude

*Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

Matt Pappa

## Welcome and Announcements

## WE READY OURSELVES FOR WORSHIP

### **Introit** (Ensemble)

### *O Praise the Name (Anastasis)*

Marty Sampson, Benjamin Hastings, and Dean Usher. Arr. by Dan Galbraith. Narration by Travis Cottrell

*Please stand and sing when directed*

O praise the name of the Lord our God

O praise His name forevermore

For endless days we will sing Your praise

Oh Lord, oh Lord our God

# \*Song of Preparation

## Resurrection Hymn

Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

D A/D G D/F# A

1 See, \_\_\_ what a mor - ning, glo - rious - ly bright, with the  
2 See \_\_\_ Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where \_\_\_ is He laid?" As in  
3 One \_\_\_ with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the

3 Bm G D/F# G D/A A D A/D

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem; Fold - ed the grave clothes,  
sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb; Hears \_\_\_ a voice speak - ing,  
Spi - rit who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty, hon - our and bless - ing,

6 G D A/C# Bm G D/F# G D/A A A7/G

tomb \_\_\_ filled with light, as the an - gels an - nounce Christ \_\_\_ is ris - en! \_\_\_  
call - ing her name; It's the Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a - gain! \_\_\_  
glo - ry and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty! \_\_\_

9 D/F# A/G G D/F# G D/F# G D/F# G

See God's sal - va - tion \_\_\_ plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, \_\_\_ paid in  
The voice that spans the \_\_\_ years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, \_\_\_ bring - ing  
And we are raised with \_\_\_ Him, Death is dead, love has won, \_\_\_ Christ has

12 D/A A A/G D/F# A/G G D/F# G

sa - cri - fice, \_\_\_ ful - filled in Christ, the \_\_\_ Man, for He  
peace \_\_\_ to us, \_\_\_ will sound till He ap - pears, for He  
con - quered; \_\_\_ And we shall reign with \_\_\_ Him, for He

15 D/F# D D/A A D A/D G/D G A D

lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead! \_\_\_

**\*Call to Worship—Matthew 28; Isaiah 48; Acts 2**

Leader: Rejoice! There is great news! Christ is risen!

**People: Christ is risen, indeed!**

Leader: Let all the earth proclaim the joy!

**People: Let all the heavens show forth in praise!**

**All: Alleluia! Christ is risen!**





# King of Kings

Brooke Ligertwood, Jason Ingram, and Scott Ligertwood. Arr. by Dan Galbraith

D/F# G

1. In the dark - ness — we were wait - ing, with - out hope, .  
(2.) the king - dom com - ing and to re -

2 A D D/F# G

— with-out light, — till from Heav - en You — came run - ning. There was mer -  
- con-cile the lost, — to re - deem — the whole — cre - a - tion You did not —

4 A D D/F# G

- cy in — Your eyes. — To ful - fil — the law — and pro - phets, to a vir -  
- des - pise — the cross. — For — e - ven in — Your suf - fring, You saw to —

6 A D D/F# G

- gin came — the Word — from a throne — of end - less glo - ry to a cra -  
- the oth - er side. — Know-ing this — was our — sal - va - tion, Je - sus, for —

8 A D D

- dle in — the dirt. — Praise the Fa - ther,  
— our sake — You died. —

12 G Bm A<sup>sus</sup> A D

praise the Son, praise the Spir - it, three in one. God of Glo - ry,

16 G Bm G A D

maj - es - ty, praise for - ev - er to the King of Kings.

20 1. VERSE 3 2.  
Bm G

2. To re-veal                      3. And the morn - ing that - You rose - all of heav

23 A D Bm G

- en held - its breath - till that stone - was moved - for good, - for the Lamb

25 A D Bm G

- had con - quered death. - And the dead - rose from - their tombs, - and the an -

27 A D Bm G

- gels stood - in awe, - for the souls - of all - who'd come - to the Fa -

VERSE 4

29 A D D/F# G

- ther are - re - stored. - 4. And the Church - of Christ - was born, - then the Spir

- it lit - the flame. - Now this Gos - pel truth - of old - shall - not kneel,

33 A D D/F# G

- shall - not faint. - By His blood - and in - His Name, - in His free

35 A D D/F# G A

- dom I - am free, - for the love - of Je - sus Christ - who has res - ur - rect - ed me.

**\*Prayer of Adoration**

# WE ENCOUNTER AND REJOICE IN THE AMAZING GRACE OF GOD

## **Call to Resurrection Faithfulness—1 Corinthians 15:12-22**

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

Reader: The grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## **Passing of the Peace**

Leader: People of God, rejoice and give thanks to God for making us alive in Christ!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Leader: Now may the peace of Christ be with you all!

**People: And also with you!**


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# \*Song of Resurrection Hope

## *In Christ Alone*

Words and Music by Stuart Townend and Keith Getty


G                      D                      G                      A                      D/F#



1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, He is my  
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of  
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the  
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

3


G    D/F# Em7    G/A                      D                      G                      D                      G



light, my strength my song; This Cor - ner - stone, this sol - id  
 God in help - less babe! This gift of love and right - eous -  
 world, by dark - ness slain; Then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious  
 pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to fi - nal

6


A                      D/F#                      G    D/F# Em7    G/A                      D                      D/F#



ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of  
 ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Till on the  
 day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He  
 breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

9


G                      D/F#                      Asus    A                      D/F#                      G                      Bm7



love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings  
 cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -  
 stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on  
 hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from His

12


Asus    A                      G                      D                      G                      A                      D/F#                      G                      D/F# Em7    G/A



cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I  
 fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I  
 me; For I am His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of  
 hand; 'Til He re - turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll

16

D                      Am7                      Em7                      D                      A7sus                      D



stand.  
 live.  
 Christ.  
 stand!

## Children's Sermon

WE HUMBLE OURSELVES BEFORE THE LORD

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Tithes and Offerings**

*(Children's Church meets for 4yr to 2nd grade in room 106)*

**Offertory Song** (Adult Choir)

*Because He Lives, Amen*

Arr. by Ed Hogan

**Sermon**

"Christ Our Life!"

Galatians 2:19-21

Rev. Dr. Chris Polski

**\*Song of Response**

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

Trinity Hymnal #277

**\*Benediction**

*"Death died when Christ rose!" — Annon.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Easter Flowers:** The flowers that are in the sanctuary today are available to take home after the 9:30 service. There is a basket in the church office for donations to cover the cost.

**Sunday school classes do NOT meet today.**

**Men's Bible Study: this Wed. at 6pm.**

**Women's Bible Studies:** We offer two options: two Tues. a month a group meets in the evenings to discuss Psalm 23 (next gathering: 4/11). The Wed. studies meet weekly (9am and 6pm) with a look at the Book of Judges.

**Women's Dessert and Social:** Mon., Apr. 24th at 7:30pm at Mickie Schmidt's.

**ACTION (All Church Things In One Night)** bible studies and children's ministries meet this Wed. at 6pm. This is our last gathering for the spring.

The next **Men's Breakfast is Sat., Apr. 22nd** at 8am. Register on Church Center or see Kyle Roberts.

**Volunteers today:** Ushers: Roberts, Wong, Maglione, Alexander. Nursery: Halls, Keating, J. Standerfer, Highmark. CC: Jackson, Linenbroker.

**Next Sunday:** Ushers: Schaffer, Schlitt, Thomason, Kocher. Nursery: Schmidts, J. Hendricks, Kling, K. O'Neal. SS: Boyd, D. Nichols. CC: K. Standerfer, Sweet.

**Family Movie Night:** Fri., Apr. 28 at 6 pm (showtime at 6:15 pm). We will be watching Raya and the Last Dragon. Wear your comfiest clothes (PJs welcome!), bring your pillow and blanket, and meet us in the youth room downstairs! Lemonade and popcorn will be provided. Extra treats are welcome, but please help us stay peanut free. Please register on Church Center.

If you would like to receive the monthly **Children's Ministry Newsletter**, please send your email address to:  
melissa.kocher@trinitychurchkirkwood.org.

If you do not receive our **weekly email updates** on Tuesday mornings, please send your email address to  
amy.mitchell@trinitychurchkirkwood.org

There are **several easy ways to serve at Trinity**. Feel free to reach out to these ministry coordinators to get involved:

**Ushers:** Paul Schaffer:

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**Greeters:** James Broughton

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Alyssa Hall (alyssaruth120@gmail.com).

**Children's Ministry:** Melissa Kocker  
(Melissa.Kocher@trinitychurchkirkwood.org)

Did you know you can use the **Church Center app** for online giving, church directory, to sign up for events, connect with your small groups, bible studies, etc? Contact the church office for assistance.

You can **sign up for all upcoming events** by scanning your phone camera over the QR code and then [following the link](#):



## EASTER EGG HUNT

Following the 9:30 am Easter Worship Service, nursery children through 5th grade are invited to an Easter Egg Hunt on the front lawn. Families, please accompany your children to collect the indicated number of eggs in their age group's area during the Easter egg hunt.

# MISSIONS UPDATE

## The Mobilized Church: Missions Workshop – April 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>

If someone were to ask you, “What kind of missions work does your church do?”, would you know what to say? In a lot of churches, “missions” is the work of a few people in the church while the rest of the congregation is in the dark as to what is going on. This is no one-person’s fault. Rather, it comes from a culture of compartmentalization and specialization. These aren’t necessarily bad things, but we can see what happens if what is meant to be a team effort gets compartmentalized too early too soon. Take youth sports for example—kids (sometimes as early as 5 years old) are given a position that they will be expected to play for the rest of their lives. Note only will this delay athleticism and field awareness, but soon the team game is “not fun anymore.” Similarly, the particular position of “missions” is given to some and they are expected to play that position for the rest of the lives.

In the mobilized church workshop, which will be hosted here at Trinity Church, we want to discover how the entire church can be involved in missions. How, as a team (or one body), we can strengthen and deepen our missional engagement for the spreading of the gospel.

These are two all-day workshops (9am – 5pm). Cost and information are found by clicking this QR code:



Please contact Pastor Pablo with any questions.

## Mark your calendars – May 20<sup>th</sup> - BBQ with Oasis International

Oasis is a ministry that comes alongside new arrivals to this country to help them acclimate to a new land, people, and cultures. They provide resources and material goods to families in order to reflect the love that God has for all his image bearers. They are constantly looking to deepen relationships with refugees and immigrants in order to find open doors for sharing what we all need, the reconciliation of our broken relationship with God.

This BBQ serves to strengthen the relationship that Oasis has with this community. At the same time, it is a unique opportunity for us to create and develop relationships with people who are very different from us, all while enjoying a Arts and Crafts, a performance from Kinetic Tapestry (A Circus and Performing Arts Studio in St. Louis), Grilled Burgers and Hot Dogs. Sign up to volunteer here:



***Please bring the whole family for this event. Non-volunteers can arrive around 11am.***

Location: Oasis International, 5035 Gravois Ave, St. Louis, MO 63116

Trinity's ministries are organized around the core values in our purpose statement which reads: Trinity Church exists to **exalt** God's name, **establish** God's people, **equip** God's church and **engage** God's world, in the power of the Holy Spirit and for the sake of the Risen King, Jesus Christ.

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