

# March 31, 2024 10:30am

# --PRESERVICE SONG "I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

(Job 19: 25-27; Colossians 1:18; Hebrews 7:25) Verse 1...I know that my Redeemer lives! What comfort this sweet sentence gives!

He lives, He lives Who once was dead, He lives my ever-living Head!

<u>Verse 2</u>...He lives triumphant from the grave. He lives, eternally to save. He lives, exalted, throned above. He lives to rule His church in love.

<u>Verse 3</u>...He lives, all glory to His Name; He lives, my Savior still the same. What joy this blest assurance gives, I know that my Redeemer lives! I know that my Redeemer lives!!!

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# --ANNOUNCEMENTS

P. Christ is risen! **C. He is risen indeed!** 

--WORSHIP SONG "All The Earth Will Sing Your Praises" (Psalm 47:7) <u>Chorus</u>...You lived, You died, You said in three days You would rise; You did, You're alive; You rule, You reign; You said You're coming back again; I know You will; all the earth will sing Your praises; All the earth will sing Your praises.

<u>Verse</u>...You took, You take our sins away, O God; You give, You gave Your life away for us; You came down, You saved us through the cross; Our hearts are changed because of Your great love.

(continued...)

<u>Chorus 2</u>... You lived, You died, You said in three days You would rise; You did, You're alive; You rule, You reign; You said You're coming back again; I know You will; all the earth will sing Your praises.

<u>Repeat Chorus 2, then</u>... All the earth will sing Your praises. All the earth will sing Your praises. All the earth will sing Your praises. All the earth will sing Your praises.

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#### (Please stand)

#### --INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

#### --CONFESSION OF SINS

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C. Most merciful God, in Your kindness and love You have saved us. You've rescued us from the coldness of our sin. Yet, we still struggle to share Your warmth in our daily living. Our thoughts don't always follow Your thoughts. Our ways often stray from Your ways. We sin against not only You, but against our neighbors, as well. Forgive us, dear Lord. Wrap us securely in Your love and lead us in Your good ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

#### --FORGIVNESS OF SINS

#### C. Amen

#### --STATEMENT OF WHAT WE BELIEVE

#### "This I Believe (The Creed)"

<u>Verse 1</u>...Our Father everlasting, the all creating One, God almighty. Through Your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the Son, Jesus our Savior.

Chorus...

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, Our God is three in One.

I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again.

For I believe in the name of Jesus.

(continued...)

<u>Verse 2</u>... Our Judge and our Defender, suffered and crucified, forgiveness is in You. Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life, forever seated high. <u>Chorus</u>...

#### <u>Chorus 2</u>...

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth.

I believe in the saints' communion and in Your holy church.

I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again.

For I believe in the name of Jesus.

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## <u>(Please sit)</u>

## --FIRST LESSON Exodus 15:1-18

<sup>1</sup>Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying, "I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously; the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea. <sup>2</sup>The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him. <sup>3</sup>The LORD is a man of war: the LORD is his name. <sup>4</sup>"Pharaoh's chariots and his host he cast into the sea, and his chosen officers were sunk in the Red Sea. <sup>5</sup>The floods covered them; they went down into the depths like a stone. <sup>6</sup>Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy. <sup>7</sup>In the greatness of your majesty you overthrow your adversaries; you send out your fury; it consumes them like stubble. <sup>8</sup>At the blast of your nostrils the waters piled up; the floods stood up in a heap; the deeps congealed in the heart of the sea. <sup>9</sup>The enemy said, 'I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the spoil, my desire shall have its fill of them. I will draw my sword; my hand shall destroy them.' <sup>10</sup>You blew with your wind; the sea covered them; they sank like lead in the mighty waters. (continued...) <sup>11</sup>"Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?

Who is like you, majestic in holiness,

awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?

<sup>12</sup>You stretched out your right hand;

the earth swallowed them.

<sup>13</sup>"You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

<sup>14</sup>The peoples have heard; they tremble;

pangs have seized the inhabitants of Philistia.

<sup>15</sup>Now are the chiefs of Edom dismayed;

trembling seizes the leaders of Moab;

all the inhabitants of Canaan have melted away.

<sup>16</sup>Terror and dread fall upon them;

because of the greatness of your arm, they are still as a stone, till your people, O LORD, pass by,

till the people pass by whom you have purchased.

<sup>17</sup>You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O Lord, which your hands have established.
<sup>18</sup>The LORD will reign forever and ever."

L. Here ends the first reading.

# --SECOND LESSON 1 Corinthians 15:55-58

<sup>55</sup>"O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?"

<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

<sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>58</sup>Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

L. Here ends the second reading.

# (Please stand)

# --GOSPEL LESSON Matthew 28:1-10

<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.

(continued...)

<sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." <sup>8</sup>So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>And behold, Jesus met

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# C. He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

(Please sit)

## --CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## --OFFERING / MESSAGE SONG "Because He Lives (Amen)"

<u>Verse 1</u>...I believe in the Son. I believe in the risen One. I believe I overcome by the power of His blood.

<u>Chorus</u>...Amen, amen, I'm alive, I'm alive because He lives! Amen, amen, let my song join the one that never ends. (Because He lives.)

<u>Verse 2</u>...I was dead in the grave. I was covered in sin and shame. I heard mercy call my name. He rolled the stone away! <u>Chorus</u>...

<u>Bridge</u>...Because He lives, I can face tomorrow. Because He lives, every fear is gone! I know He holds my life, my future in His hands.

Chorus twice, then... Because He lives.

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--MESSAGE OF THE DAY "AGAINST ALL ODDS!"

The Rev. Peter Gueldner

(Please stand)

#### --PRAYERS (Sung at beginning of prayers) "The Spirit Intercedes For Us" (Romans 8:26) The Spirit intercedes for us,

With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

The pastor will conclude the prayers with: "Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray..."

# (Sung at end of the prayers)

*"The Spirit Intercedes For Us"* (*Romans 8:26*) The Spirit intercedes for us, With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

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## --THE LORD'S PRAYER---Caribbean (Matthew 6: 9-13)

<u>Verse 1</u>... Our Father who art in heaven. Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done. Hallowed be Thy name.

<u>Verse 2</u>...As in heaven, so on the earth. Hallowed be Thy name. Give us this day our daily bread. Hallowed be Thy name.

<u>Verse 3</u>... And forgive us, Lord, our trespasses. Hallowed be Thy name. As we forgive those who trespass against us. Hallowed be Thy name.

<u>Verse 4</u>...And lead us not into temptation. Hallowed be Thy name. But deliver us from all evil. Hallowed be Thy name.

<u>Verse 5</u>... For Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory. Hallowed be Thy name. Forever and forevermore. Hallowed be Thy name.

<u>Verse 6</u>...Amen, amen, it shall be so. Hallowed be Thy name. Amen, amen, it shall be so. Hallowed be Thy name.

# --WORDS OF INSTITUTION

P. Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

# <u>(Please sit)</u>

#### --SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION "You Alone Can Rescue" (Galatians 1:4)

<u>Verse 1</u>...Who, O Lord, could save themselves, their own soul could heal? Our shame was deeper than the sea. Your grace is deeper still.

<u>Chorus 1</u>...And You alone can rescue, You alone can save.

You alone can lift us from the grave. You came down to find us, led us out of death. To You alone belongs the highest praise.

<u>Verse 2</u>...You, O Lord, have made a way. The great divide You healed. For when our hearts were far away, Your love went further still. Yes, Your love goes further still.

<u>Chorus 2</u>...And You alone can rescue, You alone can save.

You alone can lift us from the grave. You came down to find us, led us out of death. To You alone belongs the highest praise. To You alone belongs the highest praise.

<u>*Bridge...*</u>We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes. You're the giver of life. We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes. You're the giver of life. We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes. You're the giver of life. We lift up our eyes, lift up our eyes You're the giver of life.

<u>Repeat Chorus 2, then</u>...To You alone belongs the highest praise.

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#### "Jesus, Name Above All Names"

(Matthew 1:21-23; Luke 1:31-33; Philippians 2:9-11; 2 Thessalonians 1:32) <u>Verse 1</u>...Jesus, name above all names; beautiful Savior, glorious Lord, Emmanuel, God is with us; blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

<u>Verse 2</u>...Jesus, loving Shepherd, Vine of the branches, Son of God, Prince of Peace, Wonderful Counselor, Lord of the universe, Light of the world.

<u>Verse 3</u>...Jesus, Way of Salvation, King of kings, Lord, of lords, the Way, the Truth, and the Life, Mighty Creator, My Savior and Friend.

# --COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart in peace.

#### --BENEDICTION

P. Receive the blessing of the Lord: And now, may the God of peace who brought back again from the dead our Lord Jesus, equip you with all you need for doing His will. May He produce in you, through the power of Jesus Christ, all that is pleasing to Him. To Him be glory forever and ever. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
C. Amen.

# --CLOSING SONG "That's Why We Praise Him"

<u>Verse 1</u>...He came to live, live a perfect life; He came to be the living Word of Life; He came to die so we'd be reconciled; He came to rise, to show His power and might.

<u>*Chorus*</u>...That's why we praise Him; That's why we sing; That's why we offer Him our ev'rything; That's why we bow down and worship this King, 'cause He gave His ev'rything, 'cause He gave His ev'rything.

<u>Verse 2</u>...He came to live, live again in us; He came to be our conquering King and Friend; He came to heal and show the lost ones His love; He came to go prepare a place for us. <u>Repeat Chorus twice</u>...

<u>Bridge</u>...Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah; Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah; Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah; Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah; Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah. Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah; Hal-le, hal-le-lu-jah.

<u>Repeat Chorus twice then</u>...'cause He gave His ev'rything,

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C. He is risen indeed!

# + To GOD Alone Be All Glory +

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