

*Easter Sunday  
April 9th, 2023  
Presbyterian Church  
at Shrewsbury*

*He is  
Risen*

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*Our PCAS Vision: "To be a Light by Living, Loving, Learning,  
and Sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ."*

## *Order of Worship*

*(\*Please rise in body and/or spirit)*

### **Welcome and Announcements**

#### **Prelude**

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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#### **\*Call to Worship**

Leader: It was dawn. The sun was warming the earth. The birds were singing.

**People: The beauty of the day was lost on the grieving women.  
It may as well have been midnight as they approached the tomb.**

Leader: It was dawn. The earth was rejoicing. The breeze whispered alleluias across the land.

**People: It made no sense. The stone had moved. The body was gone.  
Confusion and fear shoved grief to the side.**

Leader: It was dawn. The trees swayed in the rhythm of songs from the heavens.

**People: Dazzling clothes, strange voices, familiar words:  
On the third day the Son of Man will rise again.**

Leader: It was dawn. The women were running. The words were forming.

**People: Christ is risen! Come and see!**

Leader: Christ is Risen!

**ALL: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

#### **\*Hymn #232**

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

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#### **Litany for Easter** (Inspired by Psalm 66)

Leader: O God, who made the world and everything in it, we pray with one voice, proclaiming your presence to all the earth.

For skeptics and believers, for clergy high and low;

For those who seek God at home, at work, in the streets, and in the pews,

For all who search for life, come and listen:

**People: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.**

Leader: We are alive in the spirit.

We are saved through water.

Because Christ lives, we also live.

**People: For we too are God's children.**

Leader: For presidents and prime ministers, for bosses and wardens;  
For those who set the course at home, at work, in the streets, and in  
the pews,

For all who wield power, come and listen:

**People: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.**

Leader: We do not fear what others fear.

We proclaim the hope that is in us.

Because Christ lives, we also live.

**People: For we too are God's children.**

Leader: For friends and lovers, for neighbors and strangers,  
For those who eat bread at home, at work, in the streets,  
and in the pews,

For all who live in the world, come and listen:

**People: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.**

Leader: In God, we live and move and have our being.

From God, we have life and breath and all things.

Because Christ lives, we also live.

**People: For we too are God's children.**

Leader: For the sick and troubled, for the fearful and alone,  
For those in pain at home, at work, in the streets, and in the pews,  
For all who suffer, come and listen:

**People: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.**

Leader: Our prayers are not rejected.

Our souls are held in life.

In truth, our God has heard us,

and love is not withheld.

Because Christ lives, we also live.

**People: For we too are God's children.**

Leader: For those kept in memory, for those long forgotten,  
For all who ever took the breath of life at home, at work, in the streets,  
and in the pews,

For the dead and those who mourn them, come and listen:

**People: And we will tell you what our God has done for us.**

Leader: We are blessed by your presence.

We are filled with the Spirit.

Because Christ lives, we also live.

**People: For we too are God's children.**

Leader: God of heaven and earth, Companion in life, Spirit of truth,  
to you alone we turn our eyes and lift our hearts.

**People: Amen.**

~ written by Margaret D. McGee, and posted on In the Courtyard [www.inthecourtyard.com](http://www.inthecourtyard.com)

### **Prayer of Illumination**

**First Scripture Lesson**      Isaiah 61:1-4, 11

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God!**

**Special Music**      I Know That My Redeemer Lives      Sondra Tucker

### **Sharing of Joys and Concerns**

#### **Prayers of the Church & The Lord's Prayer**

The prayer response:

Leader: We pray to the living Lord:

**People: Call us out of the tomb!**

#### **\*Passing of the Peace**

**\*Hymn** #238      Thine Is the Glory      music and lyrics page 7

**Second Scripture Lesson**      Matthew 27:57—28:10

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God**

**Sermon**      "When Glory Quakes"

#### **Offering**

**Offertory**      On the Third Day      Allen Pote

#### **Doxology**

#### **\*Prayer of Dedication**



**\*Hymn** #245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today! Music and lyrics page 8

**\*Benediction**

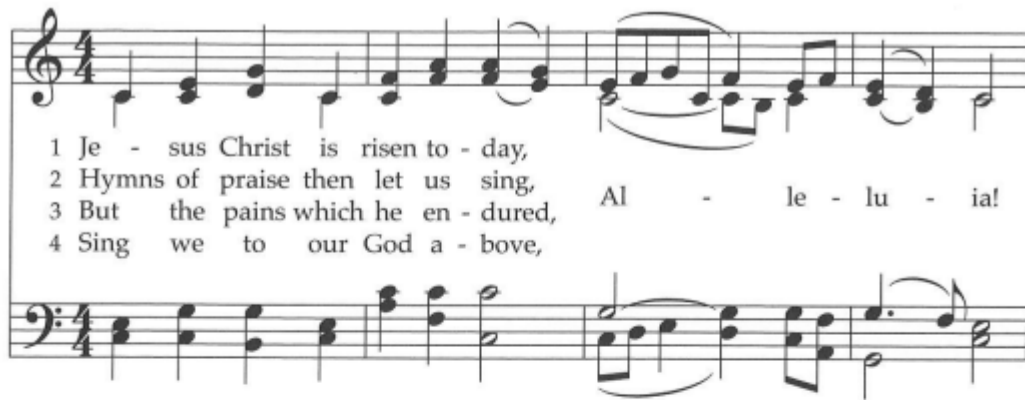
**Postlude** Toccata from Symphony for Organ No 5  
Charles-Marie Widor

**Worship Leaders**

Pastor:	Rev. Katja Gruening
Director of Music Ministries:	Marcello Velame
Liturgist:	Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth
Music Ministry	Erica Daugherty Kathleen Healy-Wedsworth Chancel Choir Jubilee Bells
Ushers:	Peter Bruguere Rich Vodhanel
Zoom Hosts:	John Palframan Jim Wright



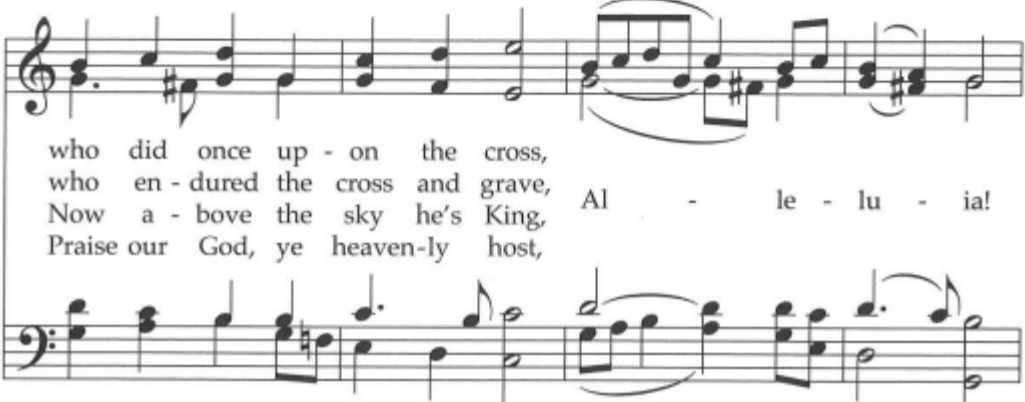
# 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



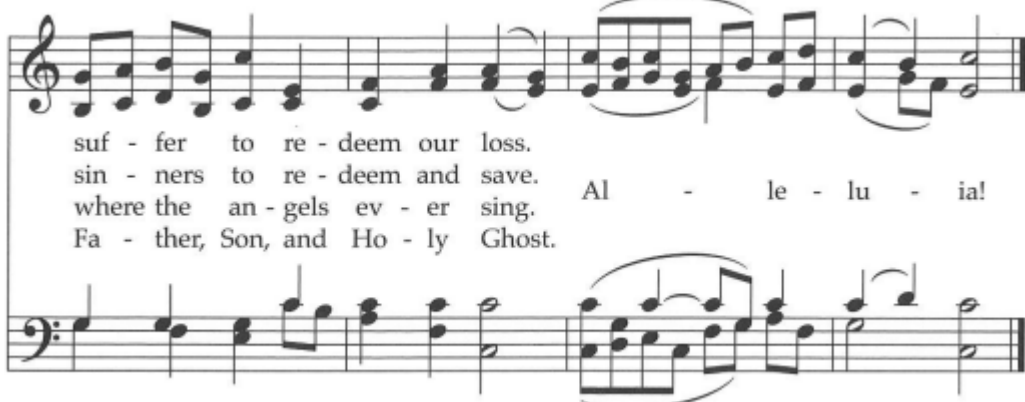
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured,  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,  
un - to Christ, our heav - en - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.  
praise e - ter - nal as God's love.



who did once up - on the cross,  
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Now a - bove the sky he's King,  
Praise our God, ye heav - en - ly host,



suf - fer to re - deem our loss.  
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
where the an - gels ev - er sing.  
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con- quering Son; end - less is  
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly  
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness  
 with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - querors

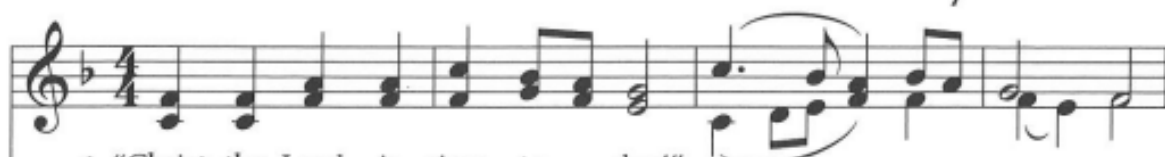
rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

*Refrain*

where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering  
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

# 245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

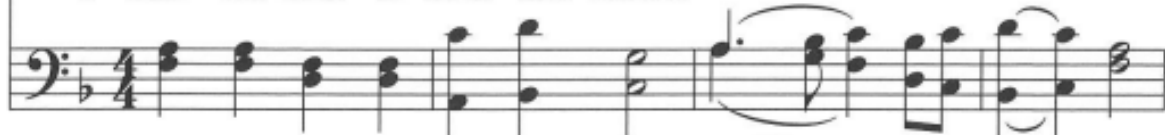


1 "Christ the Lord is risen to - day!"

2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!

3 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,

4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!

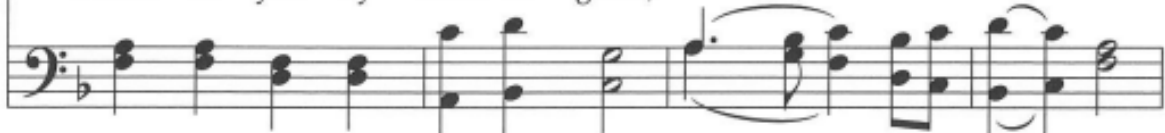


All cre - a - tion, join to say:

Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!

Where, O death, is now your sting?

Praise to you by both be given,



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,

Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!

Je - sus died, our souls to save,

Ev - ery knee to you shall bow,



Sing, O heavens, and earth re - ply,

Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!

Where your vic - to - ry, O grave?

Ris - en Christ, tri - um - phant now.





## EASTER LILIES

In memory of:  
Edith & Joe Ackerman and Ed & Olive Broege  
By Marilyn and Bob Broege

Doris & Edward Coccaro and Jean & Elwood Carter  
By Mike and Debi Coccaro

Dr Joseph Davies III, Helen & Melville Halliday, and Patricia Gasperini  
By Joyce Davies

Claire Arnold, Joe Arnold, and Deacon Jim Heller  
By the Heller Family

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and Virginia Hammond  
By Jack, Michele, & Evan Mackay

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By Judith Murphy

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By Kirsten & Bill Schanck

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By Sue and Sean Starke

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By Nancy & Rich Vodhanel

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By L.J. & Bill Wikoff

In honor of our children and grandchildren  
By Al & Jane Wagner

The Glory of God  
By Kurt Kaboth





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*SUNDAY,*

*APRIL 23rd*

*10:00 AM*

*Readings, special music, and poetry*