

Easter Sunday
First Christian Reformed Church
Lynden, Washington
April 20, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Call to Worship: based on 1 Peter 1:3-5

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

God has claimed us as his own.

He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia!

Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!

Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!

Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia!

Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!

Fought the fight, the battle won; Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids him rise; Alleluia!

Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

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Christ Arose

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus, my Savior!

Waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord!

Refrain: Up from the grave He arose with a mighty triumph o'er His foes;
He arose a victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever with His saints to reign;
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watched His bed, Jesus, my Savior!

Vainly they sealed the dead, Jesus, my Lord! *Refrain*

Death could not keep his prey, Jesus, my Savior!

He tore the bars away, Jesus, my Lord! *Refrain*

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He Lives

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;

I know that He is living, whatever men may say;

I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,

And just the time I need Him He's always near.

Refrain: He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian lift up your voice and sing

Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!

The Hope of all who seek Him the Help of all who find,

None other is so loving, so good and kind. *Refrain*

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Choir Ministry of Music: *At the Cross*

Easter Reading: *Matthew 28:1-20*

Affirmation of Faith:

The prophecies are fulfilled, and the New Age is inaugurated by the coming of Christ.
He was born of the seed of David. He died according to the Scriptures, to deliver us out of the present evil age.
He was buried. He rose on the third day according to the Scriptures.
He is exalted at the right hand of God, as Son of God and Lord of the living and the dead.
He will come again as Judge and Savior of all. Amen

Offertory Prayer and Offering: Mission and Outreach

Morning Prayer

See, What a Morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright, with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light, as the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead.

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?" As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb.
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name; it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound till He appears, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead.

One with the Father, Ancient of Days, through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honor and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and authority.
And we are raised with Him; death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered.
And we shall reign with Him, for He lives: Christ is risen from the dead.

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Scripture: *Romans 10:8-13*

⁸ What does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim);
⁹ because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.
¹¹ For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. ¹³ For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Message: *God Raised Him From the Dead*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise.
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross a Savior for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat.
See the ancient powers of evil in confusion and retreat.
Once he died and once was buried, now he lives forevermore.
Jesus Christ, the world's Redeemer, whom we worship and adore.

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia! to the Savior, who has won the victory;
Alleluia! to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia! to the triune Majesty.

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God's Blessing

Majesty

Majesty, worship His majesty. Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority flow from His throne unto His own; His anthem raise.
So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus. Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus, the King.
Majesty, worship His majesty Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings.

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