

"My Lord and My
God!"
John 20:28

Ebensburg Presbyterian Church
2nd Sunday of Easter
April 11, 2021

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GATHERING

TOLLING OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

*CALL TO WORSHIP (responsively)

We worship in the Easter light.

for the shadow of death is no match for God's love."

Let us join our voices with the disciple Thomas:

"My Lord and my God!"

Easter people, Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

And now come to worship the Lord!

*HYMN #108 Christ is Alive

*CALL TO CONFESSION: James 4:8

Draw near to God, and God will draw near to you.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)

O Christ,

you rose from the depth of suffering, from death itself, to breathe peace upon your disciples. Still, O Lord, we cannot trust your promise of peace. Still, O Lord, we do not follow in the way of your love. Forgive us when we fail to be people of resurrection. Forgive us when we fail to recognize your grace. Show us your hands and your feet once more and teach us to be your body in the world. Amen. (Silent confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: (responsively)

Hear the good news!
Christ died for us,
Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us,
Christ prays for us.
Anyone who is in Christ Jesus is a new creation,
the old self is gone. A new life has begun.
**Friends believe the good news of the gospel.
in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven, renewed and sent.
Amen.**

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST: (responsively)

The Peace of Christ be with you all.
And also with you.
(Please share the peace of Christ with those around you.)

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION: (in unison)

**Loving God,
open our ears to hear your voice in your Word. Draw us closer to you, that we are able
to understand your mystery of peace for the World. Send us out to the world as your
faithful disciples so that the whole world may see you in us and be one with you as
you are one with us in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

SCRIPTURES:

FIRST READING: 1 John 1:1-2:2 Pg. 989

SECOND READING: John 20:19-31 Pg. 883

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

SERMON: CONSPIRATORS APPALLED

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

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 for-give 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.

*HYMN #122 Thine is the Glory

*CHARGE AND BLESSING: (Responsively)

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
The love of God our Father,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all,
now and forever. **Amen.**

*CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Please rise in body or in spirit.

Psalm 27

¹The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold[of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

² When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes—
they shall stumble and fall.

³ Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.

⁴ One thing I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in his temple.

⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter

in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.
⁶ Now my head is lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.

PRAYER LIST

If you have any names, you would like added to the Prayer List, please call the church office at 472-6920 or place the names in the Offering Baskets near each of the front entrances. Thank you.

Jim Brown
Len Dixon
Jamie
Curtis Mellott
Colleen Wagner
Chris Wolfe

Ashton Dixon
Donald Lewis
John Magyar
Jeff Vietmeier
Randy Wike
Todd Youngblood

Christ Is Alive!

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TRURO LM

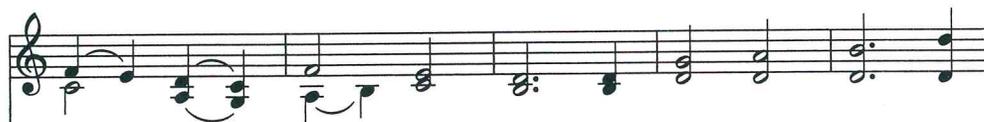
Thomas Williams, 1789

Brian Wren, 1968; rev.

Harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)



1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound To dis - tant
3. Not throned a - far, re - mote - ly high, Un - touched, un -
4. In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, Where col - or,



- emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
years in Pal - es - tine, But sav - ing, heal - ing,
moved by hu - man pains, But dai - ly, in the
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet



- prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
here and now, And touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
midst of life, Our Sav - ior in the God - head reigns.
loves the more, And lives, where ev - en hope has died.



5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring Till earth and sky and ocean ring
Good news to this and every age, With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

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Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS 5.5.6.5.6.5.6.5 with refrain

Edmond Louis Budry, 1884
Trans. R. Birch Hoyle, 1923; alt.

George Frederick Handel, 1748

1. Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con - quering Son; End - less is the
 2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, Ris - en from the tomb; Lov - ing - ly He
 3. No more we doubt Thee, Glo - rious Prince of life! Life is nought with -

vic - tory Thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets us, Scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 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 (last time only)

Where Thy bod - y lay.
 Death hath lost its sting.
 To Thy home a - bove. Thine is the glo - ry, Ris - en, con - quering Son;

End - less is the vic - tory Thou o'er death hast won.