



SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021

ONLINE WORSHIP — 9:30AM

DRIVE-UP COMMUNION — 11AM-12PM

following worship, at the church parking lot

Christ the King Lutheran Church

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PRELUDE *Crown Him with Many Crowns*, arr. by George J. Elvey
virtual Brass Ensemble: Jamie Boccia, Trumpet; Randy Otte, Trombone;
Michael Reed, Trumpet; Doug Ruby, Euphonium; Lisa Cooper, Organ

GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP *Were You There* ELW 353,
verse 1 acapella by Lisa Cooper, verses 2,3&4 congregation

Were You There

A musical score for 'Were You There' in G clef, 2/4 time, and B-flat key signature. The score consists of four systems of music. The first system contains four staves of music with lyrics for the first four verses. The second system contains four staves of music with lyrics for the first four verses. The third system contains four staves of music with lyrics for the first four verses. The fourth system contains four staves of music with lyrics for the first four verses. The score includes a 'Refrain' section with a melodic line and lyrics: 'Oh, some-times it caus-es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.' The score is written on a grid of five horizontal lines and four vertical bar lines, with various musical symbols like eighth and sixteenth notes, rests, and dynamic markings.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: WERE YOU THERE, African American spiritual
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WORD

PASTOR: the Holy Gospel According to John, *John 20:1-18*

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

PASTOR: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

ALL: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

HYMN *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* ELW 365

Jamie Boccia, Trumpet

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n-ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n-ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PASTOR: I invite you to join with me as we pray the Prayer of the Day.

ALL: God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



WORD

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43

READER: ³⁴Peter began to speak to the people: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4

READER: ¹So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

CHILDREN'S TIME

HYMN *Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds* ELW 367

Jamie Boccia, Trumpet

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

1 Now all the vault of heav'n re-sounds
 2 E-ter-nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt-less love;
 4 A-dor-ing prais-es now we bring

in there-fore our heart with rap-ture bounds: "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a-bove sing: "Christ has
 and with the heav'n-ly bless-ed sing: "Christ has

tri-umphed! He is liv-ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri-umphed! He is liv-ing!" Now still he
 con-quer through your tri-umph; grant grace suf-
 tri-umphed! Al-le-lu-ia!" Be to the

an-gels, loud and clear! Re-peat their song of glo-ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres-ence stills all
 fi-cient for life's day that by our lives we tru-ly
 Fa-ther, and our Lord, to Spir-it blest, most ho-ly

here: "Christ has tri-umphed! He is liv-ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri-umphed! He is liv-ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri-umphed! He is liv-ing!"
 God, all the glo-ry, nev-er end-ing!

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY *Thank You, God, for Easter's Story*, lyrics by Carol Winfrey Gillette

Thank You, God, for Easter's Story

HOLY MANNA 8.7.8.7 D ("Brethren, We Have Met to Worship")

1. Thank you, God, for Eas - ter's sto - ry: Christ is ris - en! Love has won!
2. When the wo - men reached the gar - den, they found Je - sus had been raised.
3. God, we know our own re - luc - tance to pro - claim what we've re - ceived.
4. Through the years, the church has wit - nessed— Christ is ris - en! Love has won!

Death with all its power and fu - ry can't de -feat what you've be - gun!
Some - one dressed in white spoke to them, say - ing, "Do not be a - fraid.
We ad - mit to our own si - lence, won - dering if we'll be be - lieved.
As we put our faith in prac - tice, may we tell what you have done.

Thank you, God, that there is noth - ing strong - er than the love you give.
You are look - ing here for Je - sus; he is ris - en. He's not here!
Yet, O Lord, the gos - pel teach - ing does - n't end with noth - ing said!
As we live in your for - give - ness, as we par - don oth - ers, too,

We re - joice: A new world's com - ing: in our ris - en Christ, we live!
We are told they fled in ter - ror; can we blame them for their fear?
Help us all to live the mess - age: Christ is ris - en from the dead!
as we work for peace and jus - tice, may we find new life in you.

Biblical Reference: Mark 16:1-8

Tune: William Moore's *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

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NICENE CREED

PASTOR: Let us profess our faith together using the Nicene Creed.

ALL: **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERING *I Know that My Redeemer Lives!*, arr. by Anne Krentz Organ

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Christ the King Lutheran Church

via our website at: ctknashua.org/give

or by sending a check in the mail to:

Christ the King Lutheran Church, 3 Lutheran Drive, Nashua NH 03063

THANK YOU for your faithfulness.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

READER: Alive in the risen Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, we bring our prayers before God who promises to hear us and answer in steadfast love.

Praise to you for your power revealed in the resurrection! Fill your church with the power of your love that is stronger than death. Send us to tell the good news wherever death holds sway. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

READER: Praise to you for your life at work in the resurrection! Fill all of creation with your life. Bring it to blossom and flourish; use it to remind us of your persistent grace. Cultivate our care for what you have made. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

READER: Praise to you for the peace made possible in the resurrection! Fill the nations with your peace. Draw together people of all nations and languages; reveal new possibilities and inspire new beginnings. Hear us, O God.

All: Your mercy is great.

READER: Praise to you for the hope of the resurrection! Fill all in need with hope: those who are afraid or confused, those who are sick or suffering, those who are dying, and those who grieve. Assure them of your promises. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

READER: Praise to you for the joy of your resurrection! Fill this assembly with joy as we are called your beloved in baptism. Multiply that joy so that we share it at home, at work, and in our community. Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

READER: Praise to you for your faithfulness revealed in the resurrection! Fill us with trust, that we join with all who have gone before us in proclaiming: "your mercy endures forever!" Hear us, O God.

ALL: Your mercy is great.

READER: In the hope of new life in Christ, we raise our prayers to you, trusting in your never-ending goodness and mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: Amen.

MEAL

INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: We lift them to the Lord.

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

ALL: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

PASTOR: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true paschal lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all the their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PASTOR: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASTOR: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

ALL: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

You are invited to partake communion at the church parking lot at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 3 Lutheran Drive, Nashua following COVID-19 guidelines, between 11am-12pm today.

SENDING

BLESSING

PASTOR: Friends, Christ is risen!

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

PASTOR: Now the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing.

Almighty God, Father, + Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

Let us go on our way with singing.

SENDING HYMN *Alleluia! Jesus is Risen!* ELW 377
Jamie Boccia, Trumpet

Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en!
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es;
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent:
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er,

Trum - pets re - sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light!
tell - ing the sto - ry to o - pen our eyes;
life in the Spir - it the fruit of the tree;
death put a - sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright.
gold - en Je - ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb,

Splen - dor, the Lamb, heav - en for - ev - er!
break - ing our bread, giv - ing us glo - ry:
heav - en to earth, Christ to the peo - ple,
Cher - u - bim sing: O grave, be o - pen!
riv - er of life, saints and arch - an - gels,

Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
Clothe us in won - der, a - born us in light.
sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise.

Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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DISMISSAL

PASTOR: Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news.
Alleluia!

ALL: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**



POSTLUDE *Thine Is the Glory* ELW 376

Jamie Boccia, Trumpet

Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with -

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

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-qu'ring
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

DRIVE-UP COMMUNION

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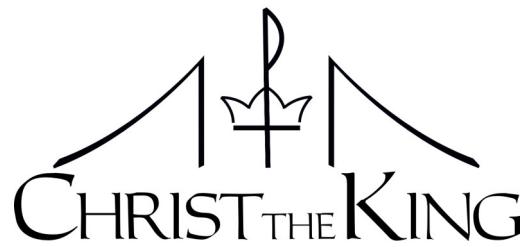
Pastor Kim and communion servers will be waiting to serve you at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 3 Lutheran Drive, Nashua NH.



THANK YOU

THANK YOU to our worship leaders for making our Triduum and Easter Worship services so special! Hearing the word spoken with such vibrancy, being filled with the beautiful music that radiates emotion that words alone cannot, exchanging heartfelt greetings at in-person gatherings, and sharing communion meals was, and always is, such a blessing!! God with us!!! Happy Easter!!

Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!!



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