

Easter Day
Worship Leader Bulletin

April 5, 2026

10:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHER MUSIC

“Easter Joy”
Bells of Praise and Brass Quartet

Michael Helman

EASTER GREETING *(by Jubilee)*

L: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

WELCOME *by Jubilee*

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

GATHERING SONG

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”
Featuring Brass Ensemble

ELW #365/Screen

Verse 1

Jesus Christ is Ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our Triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

Verse 2

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

OPENING SONG

“Glorious Day”

*Jason Ingram, Jonathan Smith
Sean Curran, and Kristian Stanfill*

Verse 1

I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight?
It was my tomb
'Til I met You

Verse 2

I was breathing, but not alive
All my failures I tried to hide
It was my tomb
'Til I met You

Chorus 1

You called my name
Then I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness
Into Your glorious day
You called my name
And I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness
Into Your glorious day

Verse 3

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But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

Verse 4

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!
Praise him all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

Now Your mercy has saved my soul
Now Your freedom is all that I know
The old made new
Jesus, when I met You

Chorus 1

Bridge 1

I needed rescue
My sin was heavy
But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter
I was an orphan
But You call me a citizen of Heaven

Bridge 2

When I was broken
You were my healing
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing
I have a future
My eyes are open
'Cause when you called my name

Chorus 2

I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness
Into Your glorious day

You called my name
And I ran out of that grave
Out of the darkness
Into Your glorious day

PRAYER OF THE DAY *{Front Center} (Angela Hansen)*

L: Risen Messiah, Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

C: Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

L: Glory be to Jesus, whom death could not defeat. Praise to the savior of heaven and earth. Honor and glory are yours, now and forever, Christ our savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE *{Front Center} (Angela Hansen)*

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome one another. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat.

WORD

PLEASE BE SEATED

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *(Andrea)*

FIRST READING *{Lectern} (Bette Gamboni)*

Romans 8:31-39

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

GOSPEL READING *{Center Aisle} (Rob)*

John 20:1-18

Early 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. So 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." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and 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. They 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." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus 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." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus 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.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

PLEASE BE SEATED

MESSAGE

Pastor Rob Norris-Weber

ASSISTANT SAY “PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE”

THE APOSTLES’ CREED *{Front Center}* (Angela Hansen)

Screen

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

ASSISTANT SAY: “PLEASE BE SEATED FOR THE PRAYERS”

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION *{Front Center}* (Angela Hansen)

After each petition:

L: Risen Lord,

C: hear our prayer.

MEAL

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

LITANY OF CONFESSION *{Front Center}* (Rob)

Screen

L: Loving God, as we encounter the pain of the cross and the earth-shattering power of the resurrection, help us to confess.

C: Jesus is alive. Alleluia!

L: When we cannot see Jesus in the brokenness of our world, remind us:

C: Jesus is alive. Alleluia!

L: When we feel discouraged and confused, and our expectations are shattered, remind us:

C: Jesus is alive. Alleluia!

L: When all hope is lost, and we see death, remind us:

C: Jesus is alive. Alleluia!

L: When we grieve with broken hearts, remind us:

C: Jesus is alive. Alleluia!

L: When we hear Jesus call us by name, remind us:

C: Jesus is alive. Alleluia!

L: Jesus is alive and remains with us always.

C: Amen. Alleluia!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Rob)

THE LORD’S PRAYER

Screen

C: 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.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO THE TABLE/COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

During this time of reflection and response, please fill out your welcome card with any prayer request and use this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered, collection plates are in the front and back. To give electronically, a QR code is in the bulletin. For those on-line please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org. A link is at the bottom of every page. Email prayers to office@stlukesbloomington.org. Enjoy this time.

COMMUNION MUSIC

“Raise A Hallelujah”

Jonathan David Helser, Melissa Helser, Molly Skaggs, and Jake Stevens. Arr. Jeff Moore

“Graves into Gardens”

Brandon Lake, Chris Brown, Steven Furtick, and Tiffany Hammer. Arr. Dan Galbraith

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING *(Rob)*

L: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep, and unite us, now and forever.

C: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *{Front Center} (Rob)*

L: Loving God, you have fed our spirits with your word of hope and your food of life. Empower us to go forth strengthened and renewed, to serve the world you love.

C: Amen.

SENDING

OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE + MINISTRIES *(Rob)*

PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE

BENEDICTION *(Rob)*

L: Now may the God of peace -- who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, equip you with all you need for doing his will, through the power of The Holy Spirit. All glory to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit forever and ever!

C: Amen.

SENDING SONG

“Because He Lives (Amen)”
Featuring Brass Ensemble

Matt Maher/Joel Mott

Verse 1

I believe in the Son
I believe in the Risen One
I believe I overcome
By the power of His blood

Chorus 1

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

Verse 2

I was dead in the grave
I was covered in sin and shame
I heard mercy call my name
He rolled the stone away

Chorus 2

Amen amen
I'm alive I'm alive
because He lives

Amen amen
Let my song join the one
that never ends

Bridge

Because He lives
I can face tomorrow
Because He lives
ev'ry fear is gone

I know He holds my life
My future in His hands

Chorus 2

Chorus 1

Ending

Because He lives

DISMISSAL *{Front Center} (Rob)*

L: Alleluia, Christ is Risen.

C: Christ is Risen indeed.

L: Go in peace. Share the good news!

C: Alleluia! Thanks be to God

REPRISE

Brass Ensemble

Andrew Morgan, Trumpet

Jeannine Burnett, Trumpet

Sean Smith, Trombone

Max Theroux, Trombone