

Community Worship Liturgy Packet

April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday

Light a candle in the center of your gathering space as you welcome the Light of Christ into your time of worship.

Hymn of Praise

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

Christ the Lord is ris’n today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids His rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ hath led, Alleluia!
Foll’wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Call to Worship

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!

Leader: Darkness has been vanquished!

People: THE BRILLIANT LIGHT OF HOPE HAS COME!

Leader: Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

People: ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! AMEN!

Prayer

Song of Response

“Resurrecting”

The head that once
was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet
Now at His feet we bow

The One who wore our sin and shame
Now robed in majesty
The radiance of perfect love
Now shines for all to see

Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King
Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King

The fear that held us now gives way
To Him who is our peace
His final breath upon the cross
Is now alive in me

Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King
Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King

By Your Spirit I will rise
from the ashes of defeat
The resurrected King is resurrecting me
In Your name I come alive
to declare Your victory
The resurrected King is resurrecting me

Scripture

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they could go and anoint Jesus' dead body. ²Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they came to the tomb. ³They were saying to each other, "Who's going to roll the stone away from the entrance for us?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away. (And it was a very large stone!) ⁵Going into the tomb, they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right side; and they were startled. ⁶But he said to them, "Don't be alarmed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He isn't here. Look, here's the place where they laid him. ⁷Go, tell his disciples, especially Peter, that he is going ahead of you into Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you." ⁸Overcome with terror and dread, they fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

Sermon

"Trust in the Resurrection"

Signs of Hope Video

Celebration of the Offering

"Because He Lives"

God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus;
He came to love, heal and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone,
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

How sweet to hold a newborn baby,
And feel the pride and joy he brings;

But greater still the calm assurance:
This child can face uncertain days because He Lives!

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

And then one day, I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then, as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future,
And life is worth the living,
Just because He lives!

Here are some practical ways to give in the week ahead. Let us know if you have any ideas so that we can best be the church in this season of our life together.

- + Write a letter to someone, encouraging them that God is with them
- + Connect with someone via technology—whether that be a phone conversation or another means
- + Check on a neighbor
- + Reach out to someone who may need food/supplies
- + At Jordan Memorial, we are committed to partnering with local small business in our community. Like the event this Tuesday with Captain Tom's and Vee's Bakery, we hope to set up more of these partnerships so that our community can be fed and we can celebrate the many gifted places and people in Ramseur. Would you consider partnering with us in this way? Thank you for supporting the local church through your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness!

You can send your offering & financial support to:

Jordan Memorial UMC
PO Box 848
1511 Main Street
Ramseur, NC 27316

or:

You can give online at www.JordanMemorial.org or directly to Jordan Memorial at the link provided:

https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=wWsk24ZWJSTZKsGd1RMklg0BDvsSG3VIWQCPJNNxD8upkiY7JIDavDsozUE7KG0nFx2NSo8LdUKGuGuF396vbRE8VMOIOUB7wMU6Kxm8QlciYnTg5dP4O6rpX5QvPEWIBhHDN59kLZffwKfyERpQud66vISCHkfifKbqlsNOZI=&ver=3

Offertory

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord use our hands, Lord use our lives, they are yours we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to you we are an offering, we are an offering.

Affirmation of Faith

We are not alone, we live in God's world. We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit. We trust in God. We are called to be the church: to celebrate God's presence, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen.

Song of Sending

"Hymn of Promise"

In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence, seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness, bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future; what it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity,
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Benediction