

# Larchmont Avenue Church

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## **EASTER SUNDAY**

March 31, 2024 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Senior Pastor: Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum Associate Pastor: Rev. Anna Grace Claunch Director of Music: Douglas Kostner

### THE SERVICE OF THE LORD

March 31, 2024

PRELUDE Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

Melchior Vulpius

Easter Brass Quintet

INTROIT This Is the Day

David Brandom

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!

WELCOME AND ADORATION

Rev. Dr. Peter Bynum

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

The tomb is empty! We will not find him there!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Death is defeated, and the gates of life have been opened to us!

Alleluia! Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

\*THE PEACE The Peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you! And also with you!

\*OPENING HYMN #232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Rev. Anna Grace Claunch

\*GLORIA PATRI (#582, verse 1)

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (in unison)

O Christ, heaven and earth rejoices in your resurrection! The power of the Word has broken free of earthly constraints and now reigns over all that you have created. As we hear your Word read and proclaimed this morning, may it resound in our spirits to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 25:6-9

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Rev. Claunch

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 20:1-18

SERMON "Believing Without Understanding" Rev. Bynum

Christ, the Lord, is risen today! He is risen indeed!

He captive led captivity, he robbed the grave of victory. He broke the bars of death, alleluia! Let every mourning soul rejoice and sing with one united voice:

The Savior rose today, alleluia! The great and glorious work is done, free grace to all through Christ, the Son. Hosanna to his name, alleluia!

Let all that fill the earth and sea break forth in tuneful melody,
And swell the mighty song, alleluia! Christ, the Lord, is risen today! Amen!

### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to The Lord's Table

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord Our God. It is right to give God thanks and praise...

...Therefore, we praise you, with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever proclaim the glory of your name...

#### Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your Glory.

Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Blest is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

...Great is the mystery of faith.

#### Memorial Acclamation

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

Words of Institution

Amen.

Communion of the People

COMMUNION MUSIC In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful Jacques Berthier In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near, lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Rev. Claunch 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 forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and glory forever.

THE GREAT AMEN (congregation singing)

Amen. Amen. Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest! Hosanna in the highest!

## INVITATION TO OFFERING

Financial gifts may be shared electronically via the Realm Connect app or by scanning the QR code to the right. Additional pledge cards are available at the Usher Station at the rear of the sanctuary.



**OFFERTORY** 

He Has the Power

Leon Roberts

Christ! He rose to tell the world,
He has the power, almighty power in his hands.
The grave could not hold the Son of Man.
He has the power, almighty power in his hands.
I'm so glad he lives today!
He gave his life for me, he gave his life for you,

And I'm so glad he has the power in his hands.

The tomb is bare where he once laid,

He has the power, almighty power in his hands. He ascended and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He has the power, almighty power in his hands.

I'm so glad he lives today! He gave his life for me, he gave his life for you, And I'm so glad he has the power in his hands.

\*DOXOLOGY #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*CLOSING HYMN #245 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

\*BENEDICTION Rev. Bynum

\*POSTLUDE Hallelujah George Frederic Handel

NOTE: You are welcome to stay and listen to the Postlude, but there is no expectation that you remain seated during this time.

Feel free to get up and greet your neighbors!

## **MENTIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

• Nursery Care is available on the ground floor of the education wing (Classroom 114) for infants and toddlers up to age 2

**Thank you to our Easter Brass Qunitet:** Don Downs, trumpet, Colin Brigstock, trumpet, Rheagan Ostend, horn, Clint Sharman, trombone, Bob Stuntman, tuba, Bill Sabia, drums and Ben Wien, piano.

## EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

Given by Justin Haliley, dedicated to my mother, Gloria Halliley, beloved eternally and missed so dearly by her family † Given by Sam and Susan Bell in memory of Bill and Molly Bell, Allan and Royle Gherini, Steven and Barbara Gherini † Given by Melinda Reiss, "Happy Easter in loving memory of Ann Wilkerson Williams. Thank you for sharing your faith with us. We miss you Mom." † In memory of my parents, JC and Loretta Fergerson. We miss them every day, from Ranada Fergerson † Given by Pat and Jim Allen in memory of Pat's parents, Stan and Mary Lou Reeves, who were married on Easter Sunday in 1951 † For my grandparents Clifford and Frances Hornberger and Gerard and Kitty Dunbar by Laura Rosenthal † In memory of loved ones, by Tim & Cynthia Cannon † Given by Sharon Popley † For Kim and Bill Yamaguchi with love from their family † Given in loving memory of Erika Lomitzky by the Leissl family † Christel and Adrian Pugin in memory of family and friends † In memory of our parents Rosemarie and Bob Martin by Robert Martin †In loving memory of Steve HF Williams by Louise Moore Williams, Pete, Gala and Joanna † In loving memory of Warren & Thelma Serenbetz, by their family † In memory of Wilfred Wright by Dorothy Wright † In memory of Eric Almquist from the Almquist and MacGregor families † In memory of Kenneth and Joan Wanderer, and Alexander Everhart by Rich and Diane Williams † Given in loving memory of my loved ones, by Hannele Sansbury † In memory of Kathleen Kohout O'Brien and Freda O'Brien from Andy and Patty Towle † In memory of John J. Mackey by his family and Louise Mackey Johnson by her family.

### THIS WEEK AT LAC SUNDAY, MARCH 31 – HAPPY EASTER

9:00 am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00 am Worship (Sanctuary)

## MONDAY, APRIL 1

OFFICE CLOSED

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 2**

6:00 am Primary Election (Russell Hall)

6:45 pm Al-Anon (Library)

7:00 pm Deacons' Meeting (Youth Room)

7:15 pm AA (Chapel)

## **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3**

11:00 am Staff Meeting (Lindsley)

5:00 pm Youth Group: Service Night

7:00 pm Larchmont Symphonia (Chapel)

7:45 pm Chancel Choir (Russell Hall)

## THURSDAY, APRIL 4

8:30 am Men's Bible Study (Lindsley)

4:00 pm Westchester Children's Chorus

(Russell Hall /Sanctuary/Chapel/Carhart/ Rm 202

7:15 pm AA (Carhart)

#### **SATURDAY, APRIL 6**

8:00 am Day of Service

4:00 pm Midnight Run

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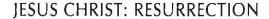
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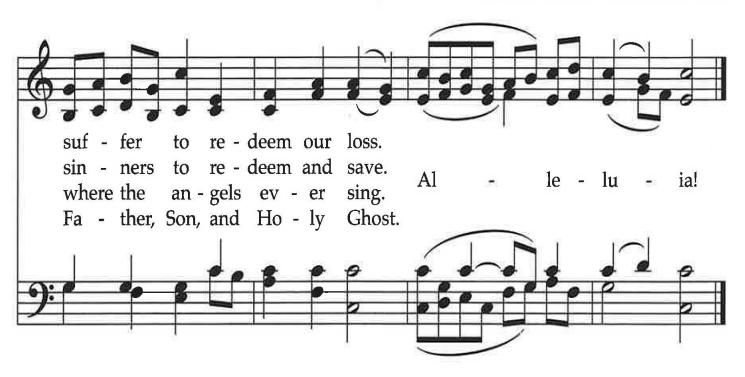
## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



It seems likely that this beloved Easter text began in Latin and moved through German before reaching English, where it combined with the present tune in the emerging English evangelical style, a reaction to the restrained one-note-per-syllable psalmody that preceded it.

## 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today





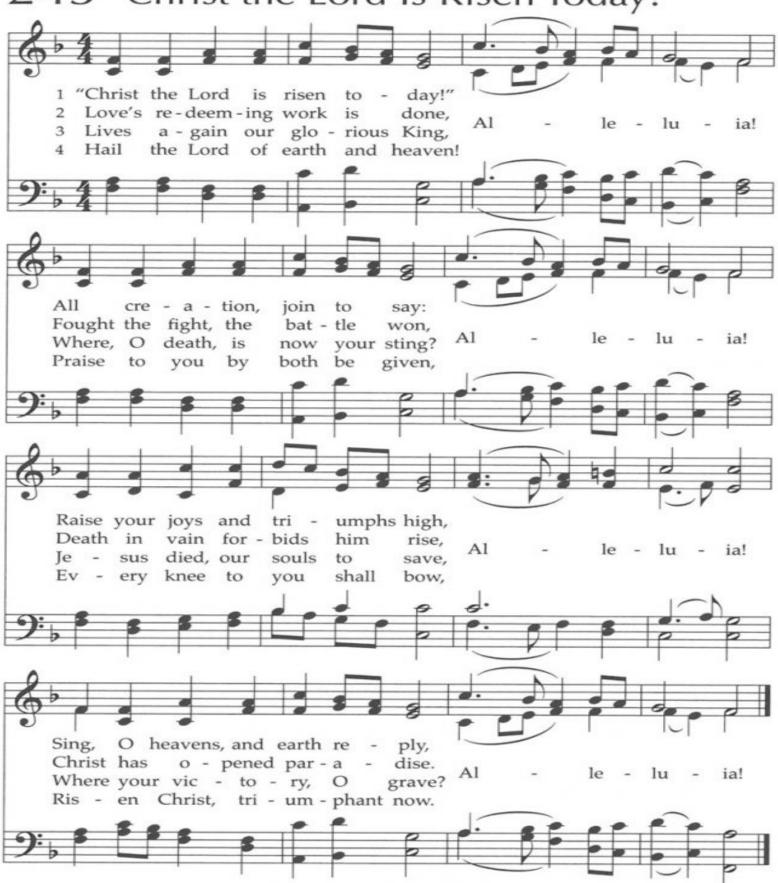
## **SPANISH**

- 1 El Señor resucitó, ¡Aleluya! muerte y tumba ya venció. ¡Aleluya! Con su fuerza y su virtud ¡Aleluya! cautivó la esclavitud. ¡Aleluya!
- 2 El que al polvo se humilló, ¡Aleluya! vencedor se levantó. ¡Aleluya! Cante hoy la cristiandad ¡Aleluya! su gloriosa majestad. ¡Aleluya!
- 3 Cristo, que la cruz sufrió, ¡Aleluya! y en desolación se vio, ¡Aleluya! hoy en gloria celestial ¡Aleluya! reina vivo e inmortal. ¡Aleluya!
- 4 Cristo, nuestro Salvador, ¡Aleluya! de la muerte es triunfador. ¡Aleluya! En El hemos de confiar. ¡Aleluya! Cantaremos sin cesar. ¡Aleluya!

## **KOREAN**

- 1 예수부활 했으니 할렐루야 만민찬송 하여라 천사들이 즐거워 기쁜찬송 부르네
- 2 대속하신 주예수 할렐루야 선한싸움 이겼네 사망권세 이기고 하늘문을 여셨네
- 3 마귀권세 이긴주 할렐루야 왕의왕이 되셨네 높은이름 세상에 널리반포 하여라
- 4 길과진리 되신주 할렐루야 우리부활 하겠네 부활생명 되시니 우리부활 하겠네

## 245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!



Originally printed as eleven four-line stanzas without alleluias, this Easter text was written during the first year following the author's life-changing conversion experience, yet it already shows his enduring emphasis on the theme of love. This lively Welsh tune sets it well.