

Now let the heavens be joyful!  
Let earth its song begin!  
The world resound in triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
let all things seen and unseen  
their notes of gladness blend;  
for Christ the Lord has risen,  
our Joy that has no end!

**Hallelujah Chorus**

LPC Virtual Choir

Charge and Benediction

The Rev. Peter Larson

Postlude

Kyle Mazur

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today* Michael Thomas

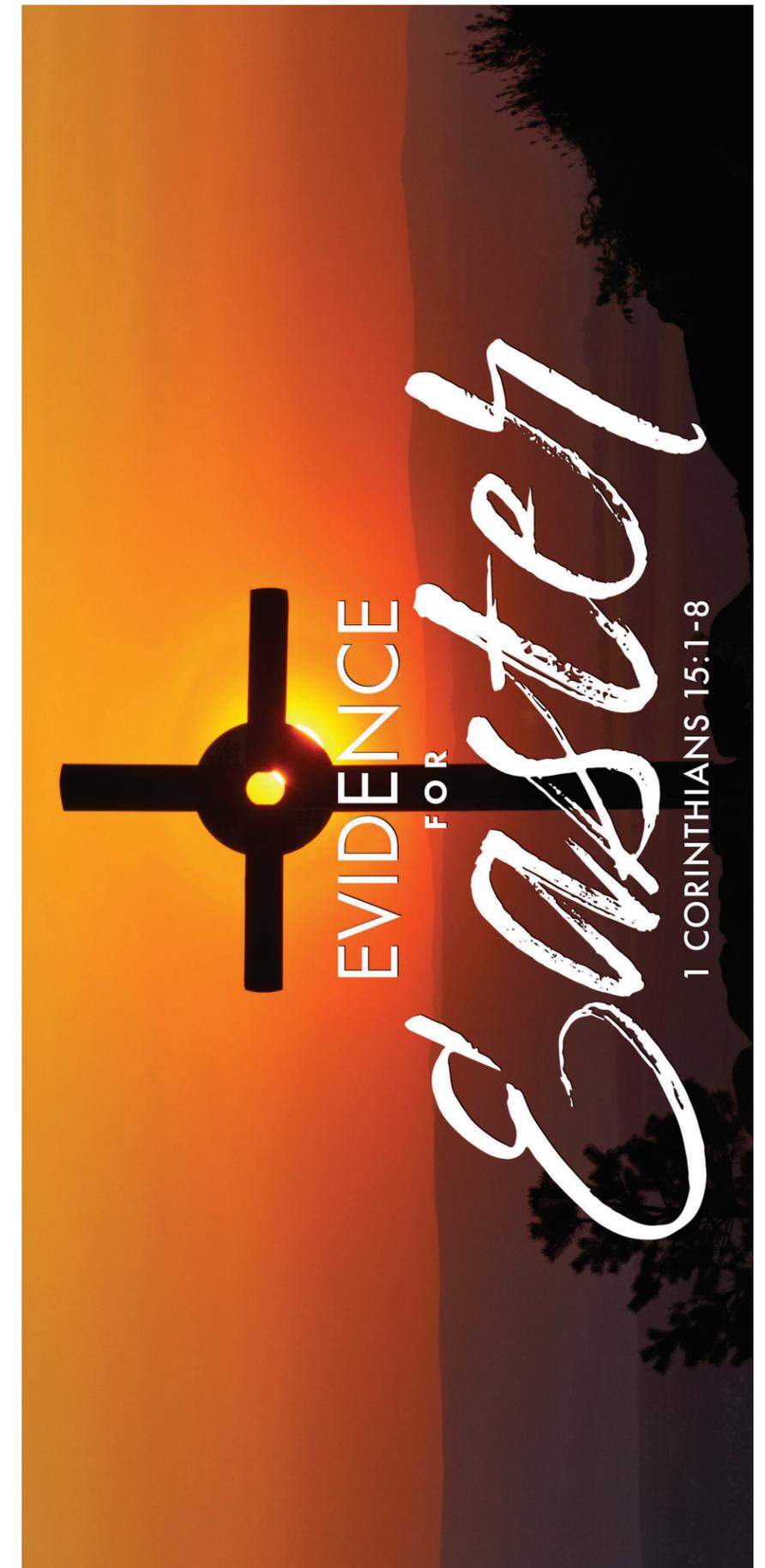
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# Sunday, April 4, 2021

8:30 and 10 a.m. Worship Service

## Easter Sunday

### WE GATHER

Welcome The Rev. Peter Larson

Prelude Sam Sachs, Daniel Frank, Doug Frank  
*Love Lifted Me* Rachel Sachs and Daniel Sachs

\* Call to Worship (1 Peter 1:3-5) Zach Martinson 8:30  
Rory Earley 10:00

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**People:** He is risen indeed.

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our LORD Jesus Christ.

**People:** He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

**People:** He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**ALL: HE IS RISEN INDEED.**

\* Hymn *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*  
Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia  
All creation join to say, Alleluia  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia  
Sing ye heavens and earth reply, Alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia  
Fought the fight the battle won, Alleluia  
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia  
Christ has 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 has led, Alleluia  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia

Prayer of Praise Andrew Johnson  
LORD Jesus, just as Mary Magdalene came looking for you in the garden, so we seek you this morning. We pray you would meet us here. Turn our tears into joy, our doubt into certainty, our fear into

faith, our grief into gladness, our pain into peace. We thank you, LORD, for taking our place on the cross. We thank you that by your death and resurrection, we are saved and forgiven. We praise you, LORD, for the miracle of Easter, that:

Your life is greater than death,  
Your love is greater than hatred,  
Your light is greater than darkness,  
Your grace is greater than our sin.

By your Spirit, may we experience the hope and power of your resurrection. We pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. AMEN.

\* Hymn *The Strife is O'er, The Battle Done*

Refrain  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The strife is o'er, the battle done;  
now is the victor's triumph won;  
now be the song of praise begun: Alleluia! (Refrain)]

The powers of death have done their worst,  
but Christ their legions has dispersed;  
let shouts of holy joy outburst: Alleluia! (Refrain)

The three sad days have quickly sped,  
he rises glorious from the dead;  
all glory to our risen Head! Alleluia! (Refrain)

He broke the age-bound chains of hell;  
the bars from heaven's high portals fell;  
let hymns of praise his triumph tell: Alleluia! (Refrain)

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,  
from death's dread sting thy servants free,  
that we may live and sing to thee: Alleluia! (Refrain)

### WE GIVE BACK TO GOD

Prayer of Dedication The Rev. John Morris

Offertory Handbell Choir  
*The Day of Resurrection*

### WE HEAR THE WORD

Scripture The Rev. Peter Larson

*1 Corinthians 15:1-8*

<sup>1</sup> Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. <sup>2</sup> By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

<sup>3</sup> For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. <sup>6</sup> After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup> Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, <sup>8</sup> and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

Sermon The Rev. Peter Larson  
Evidence for Easter

\*The Apostles' Creed Shelley Bondurant 8:30  
Rick Oliver 10:00

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried;  
the third day he rose from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven and sitteth  
at the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick 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.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

### WE GO OUT INTO THE WORLD

\* Hymn *The Day of Resurrection*

The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;  
the Passover of gladness,  
the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from sin's dominion free,  
our Christ has brought us over  
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light;  
and, listening to his accents,  
may hear so calm and plain,  
his own "all hail" and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.