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### Worship Participants

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### Mark 16:2-4

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back.

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## God Gathers Us for Worship

Prelude: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" Handbell Choir

Welcome

Call to Worship: A reading of "Christ Is Alive" LUYH 206

\*Song: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" LUYH 182:1,2,3,5

\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

\*Song: "O Praise the Name (Anastasis)"

**1. I cast my mind to Calvary where Jesus bled and died for me.  
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet, my Saviour on that cursed tree.**

**2. His body bound and drenched in tears,  
they laid Him down in Joseph's tomb.  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone.**

*Chorus:*

**O praise the name of the Lord our God.  
O praise His name forevermore.**

**For endless days we will sing Your praise, oh Lord, oh Lord our God.**

**3. Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of heaven rose again.  
O trampled death, where is your sting?  
The angels roar for Christ the King.**

**4. He shall return in robes of white, the blazing sun shall pierce the night.  
And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.**

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## We Are Reconciled and Renewed

Call to Confession: "Were You There" LUYH 166

Prayer of Confession

Living Lord, when we stand before the empty tomb  
we don't always feel the joy of resurrection.

Prayer of Consecration, concluding with the Lord's Prayer:

**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 the glory forever. Amen.**

The Invitation

*We invite you to come to the communion station closest to you, leaving your row  
to the left and moving clockwise. Please take the bread and juice back to your  
seats and we will eat and drink together after all are served.  
You are invited to sing while you are seated.*

The Communion: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Handbell Choir  
"Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen" LUYH 205:2,3

The Thanksgiving: "Aleluya/Alleluia" LUYH 183:1,3

## We Are Sent with God's Blessing

\*Benediction

\*Song: "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna" LUYH 204

## God Meets Us in the Breaking of the Bread

### Preparing the Table

All things come from you, O Lord.

**And of our own, we have given you.**

We bring bread;

**you give your body.**

We bring wine;

**you give your blood.**

We bring our offerings;

**yours is the sacrifice.**

Let us bring our gifts to be prepared for the communion feast of our Lord.

Song: "Come to Us, Beloved Stranger"

LUYH 207:1,2

### The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks for the Lord our God.

**It is right for us to give thanks and praise.**

**Eternal God, we praise you that your glory has dawned on us,  
and brought us into this Day of Resurrection.**

**We rejoice that the grave could not hold your Son,  
and that he has conquered death and risen to rule all powers.**

**We praise you that Jesus summons us to new life—  
to follow him with joy and gladness.**

**By your Spirit, lift us from doubt and despair,**

**and set our feet in Christ's holy way**

**so that our lives may be signs of his life**

**and so that everything we do may show forth his love.**

**Through Christ our Lord we pray. Amen.**

The Institution: I Corinthians 11

### The Consecration

Praise to you, Lord Jesus.

**Dying, you destroyed our death.**

**Rising, you restore our life.**

**Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

We can feel fear, doubt, and distrust.

We may feel empty.

Forgive the fear that paralyzes us at the brink of new life.

Forgive our doubt of your love.

Forgive our distrust of your surprising, joyous plan.

Fill our emptiness with your glorious light.

Raise us to abundant new life for the glory of your name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: "I Know that My Redeemer Lives"

LUYH 193:1,3,7

## God Speaks to Us through His Word

Children's Blessing: "Oh, How Good Is Christ the Lord"

LUYH 192

Children ages 3 years old through 1st grade are invited to go downstairs to the Multi-Purpose Room for a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service. Parents, we invite you to walk your children downstairs to help get them settled in.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: Mark 16:1-8

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Sermon: "Strange New World"

Pastor Joel Kok

## We Respond in Faith

\*Song of Response: "See, What a Morning"

LUYH 181:1,3

\*We Profess Our Faith: Our World Belongs to God

Standing in our place, Jesus suffered during his years on earth,  
especially in the tortures of the cross.

He carried God's judgment on our sin—his sacrifice removed our guilt.

**God raised him from the dead:**

**he walked out of the grave,**

**conqueror of sin and death—Lord of Life!**

**We are set right with God, given new life,**

**and called to walk with him**

**in freedom from sin's dominion.**

Prayers for the Church and World