

**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

*This morning the elements will be passed through the rows. Please hold them until all have been served and we will eat together. If you are in need of gluten-free bread, please indicate that to the servers.*

Communion Songs: "The Strife Is O'er" arr. Powell  
"This Joyful Eastertide" LUYH 202

\*The Thanksgiving: Revelation 5:12 p.1919  
Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain,  
**To receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength  
and honor and glory and praise!**

\*Song of Thanksgiving: "Salvation Belongs to Our God" LUYH 608

### Sending

\*Benediction

\*Closing Song: "Lift High the Cross" LUYH 264:1,7

# Easter Sunday

March 31, 2024



### 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.

### Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ♦ Organ: Lois Vander Zee ♦ Flute: Lisa Christians

Brass: Sara Ploegstra, Ryan Smit, Micah, Stephen, & Eli Schreurs

Sound: Andy Landman ♦ Video: Marty Vander Plaats ♦ CCLI #493458 ♦ OneLicense #A-721171

### Hearing Assistance



A telecoil hearing-loop system sends a signal into the sanctuary. If your hearing aid is t-coil equipped, try switching to the t-coil receiver. An FM hearing assistance system is also available for ears without hearing aids. Consult the sound operator for assistance.

## Gathering

Welcome

**\*Call to Worship**

Christ the Lord is risen!

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

O sing unto the Lord, for he has done excellent things.

**\*Song: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"**

LUYH 182:1-3

**\*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another**

Grace be to you and peace,

from him who is and who was and who is to come,

and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness,

the firstborn of the dead, and the Ruler of kings on earth.

**Alleluia, amen!**

**\*Song: "Low in the Grave He Lay"**

LUYH 186

**\*We Profess Our Faith: Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 45**

How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

**First, by his resurrection he has overcome death,  
so that he might make us share in the righteousness  
he won for us by his death.**

**Second, by his power we too  
are already now resurrected to a new life.**

**Third, Christ's resurrection is a guarantee  
of our glorious resurrection.**

**This is our faith and hope. Alleluia, amen.**

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

LUYH 181

## Repentance & Renewal

Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance: Ephesians 2:4-7

p.1819

Invitation to Giving

*Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are available, or check your bulletin announcements for more ways to give.*

Prayers for the Church and World

## Word

Children's Blessing: "He Is Lord"

LUYH 227:1

*Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed especially for young children. Our young guests are welcome to participate in this service.*

Scripture Reading: Mark 16:1-8

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Message: "The Great Story Continues"

Pastor Joel Kok

**\*Song of Response: "Come to Us, Beloved Stranger"**

LUYH 207

## Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lift up your hearts.

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

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

Song: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty"

LUYH 538:1

The Institution: 1 Corinthians 11

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**Dying, he destroyed our death. Rising, he restored our life.**

**Lord Jesus, come in glory.**

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,**