

Rock Creek Fellowship  
Easter Worship  
April 5, 2026  
10:45 AM

**Prelude Song**

**“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**

1. Christ, the Lord, is risen today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your voice and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!  
2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, Alleluia!  
Christ has burst the gates of hell, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids His rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!  
3. 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!  
4. 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!  
5. Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven! Alleluia!  
Praise to Thee by both be given, Alleluia!  
Thee we greet triumphant now, Alleluia!  
Hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!

**Call to Worship**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**He has given us new life and hope.**

**He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**He has brought us out of darkness.**

**He has made us light to the world.**

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**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

—based on 1 Peter 1:3-5

**Worship in Song**

*(Flowering of the cross)*

**“Were You There?”**

1. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Oh - oh! Sometimes it causes me

to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

2. Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

Oh - oh! Sometimes it causes me

to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they nailed Him to the tree?

3. Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

Oh - oh! Sometimes it causes me

to tremble, tremble, tremble.

Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?

4. Were you there when he rose up from the dead?

Were you there when he rose up from the dead?

Oh - oh! Sometimes I feel like shouting

Glory! Glory! Glory! Were you there when he rose up from the dead?

**“See What a Morning”**

1. See, what a morning, gloriously bright,  
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;  
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,  
As the angels announce, “Christ is risen!”

See God’s salvation plan,  
Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,  
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man,  
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

2. See Mary weeping, “Where is He laid?”

As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;

Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;

It’s the Master, the Lord raised to life again!

The voice that spans the years,

Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,

Will sound till He appears,

For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

3. One with the Father, Ancient of Days,  
Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.

Honor and blessing, glory and praise

To the King crowned with pow’r and authority!

And we are raised with Him,

Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;

And we shall reign with Him,

For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

**“Is He Worthy?”**

1. Do you feel the world is broken? *(We do)*

Do you feel the shadows deepen? *(We do)*

But do you know that all the dark won’t stop  
the light from getting through? *(We do)*

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? *(We do)*

2. Is all creation groaning? *(It is)*

Is a new creation coming? *(It is)*

Is the glory of the Lord to be the  
light within our midst? *(It is)*

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? *(It is)*

**Chorus (All):**

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave

He is David’s root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

Of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy of this? He is

3. Does the Father truly love us? *(He does)*

Does the Spirit move among us? *(He does)*

And does Jesus our Messiah hold

forever those He loves? *(He does)*

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? *(He does)*

**Chorus 2:**

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave

He is David’s root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue

He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son

Is He wor - thy? Is He wor - thy?

Of all blessing and honor and glor - y

Is He wor - thy? Is He wor - thy?

Is He wor - thy of this?

He is!

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?

He is! He is!

**Confession of Faith**

*(From the Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 45)*

**Q.** How does Christ’s resurrection benefit us?

**A. First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he could make us share in the righteousness which he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are raised up to a new life.**

**Third, Christ’s resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection**

**Worship with Tithes and Offering**

**“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”**

1. I know that my redeemer lives,

Glory hallelujah!

What comfort this sweet sentence gives

Glory hallelujah!

**Chorus:** *Shout on, pray on,*

*we’re gaining ground,* Glory hallelujah!

*The dead’s alive and the lost is found*

*Glory hallelujah!*

2. He lives, he lives, who once was dead,

Glory hallelujah!

He lives, my everlasting Head,

Glory hallelujah! **Chorus**

3. He lives to bless me with his love

Glory hallelujah

He lives to plead for me above,

Glory hallelujah! **Chorus**

4. He lives, all glory to his name,

Glory Halleujah; He lives my Jesus,

still the same

Glory hallelujah! **Chorus**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

*Marshall Brock*

**Welcoming One Another**

**“Doxology”**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.

Praise Him above ye heavenly host. Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost.

Amen

**Confession of Sin**

**Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

*(Offer silent prayers of confession)*

**Assurance of Pardon**

You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

—1 Peter 1:18-21

**Scripture Reading**

**Isaiah 60:4-9**

*Kim Brock*

“Lift up your eyes and look about you:

All assemble and come to you;

your sons come from afar,

and your daughters are carried on the hip.

<sup>5</sup>Then you will look and be radiant,

your heart will throb and swell with joy;

the wealth on the seas will be brought to you,

to you the riches of the nations will come.

<sup>6</sup>Herds of camels will cover your land,

young camels of Midian and Ephah.

And all from Sheba will come,

bearing gold and incense  
and proclaiming the praise of the Lord.  
7 All Kedar's flocks will be gathered to you,  
the rams of Nebaioth will serve you;  
they will be accepted as offerings on my altar,  
and I will adorn my glorious temple.  
8 "Who are these that fly along like clouds,  
like doves to their nests?  
9 Surely the islands look to me;  
in the lead are the ships of Tarshish,<sup>[a]</sup>  
bringing your children from afar,  
with their silver and gold,  
to the honor of the Lord your God,  
the Holy One of Israel,  
for he has endowed you with splendor.

Reader: The grass withers, and the flowers fall,  
**All: but the Word of our God stands forever.**

**1 Corinthians 15:35-49**

35 But someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?" 36 How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. 37 When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or of something else. 38 But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body. 39 Not all flesh is the same: People have one kind of flesh, animals have another, birds another and fish another. 40 There are also heavenly bodies and there are earthly bodies; but the splendor of the heavenly bodies is one kind, and the splendor of the earthly bodies is another. 41 The sun has one kind of splendor, the moon another and the stars another; and star differs from star in splendor. 42 So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; 43 it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; 44 it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. 45 So it is written: "The first man Adam became a living being"<sup>[a]</sup>; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. 46 The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. 47 The first man was of the dust of the earth; the second man is of heaven. 48 As was the earthly man, so are those who are of the earth; and as is the heavenly man, so also are those who are of heaven. 49 And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we<sup>[a]</sup> bear the image of the heavenly man.

Reader: The Word of the Lord  
**All: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon** *Pastor Eric*  
*Endowed with a Death-Disturbing Heavenly Splendor*

**Closing Song**

**"Christ Is Risen"**

1. Let no one caught in sin remain  
Inside the lie of inward shame  
We fix our eyes upon the cross  
And run to him who showed great love  
And bled for us  
Freely you bled, for us  
**Chorus:** Christ is risen from the dead  
Trampling over death by death  
Come awake, come awake!  
Come and rise up from the grave!  
Christ is risen from the dead  
We are one with him again  
Come awake, come awake!  
Come and rise up from the grave!  
2. Beneath the weight of all our sin

You bow to none but heavens will  
No scheme of hell, no scoffer's crown  
No burden great can hold you down  
In strength you reign  
Forever let your church proclaim  
**CHORUS**  
3. Oh death! Where is your sting?  
Oh hell! Where is your victory?  
Oh Church! Come stand in the light!  
The glory of God has defeated the night!  
Oh death! Where is your sting?  
Oh hell! Where is your victory?  
Oh Church! Come stand in the light!  
Our God is not dead, he's alive! he's alive!  
**CHORUS**

**Benediction**

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