

Order for the Worship of God

Welcome & Announcements

On the third day, He rose again from the dead;

GATHERING

Welcome

(from HC #45)

L How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

C First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.

Prayer

*Opening Hymn (Blue #118)

"The Day of Resurrection"

Worship from the Psalms

(Psalm 24, ESV)

L The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein,

C for he has founded it upon the seas and established it upon the rivers.

L Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord? And who shall stand in his holy place?

C He who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not lift up his soul to what is false and does not swear deceitfully.

L He will receive blessing from the Lord and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

C Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

L Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C Who is this King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!

L Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

C Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and hungry and pass by those who mourn. We are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace. We despise the weak and abuse the earth you have made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the Risen Lord. Amen.

Please take a moment and offer your silent personal prayers to God...

Silent Prayers of Reflections

Assurance of Pardon

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayers for Illumination

Special Music

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"
by Keith & Kristyn Getty, sung by Matt Papa

The Heidelberg Catechism

(HC #60-61)

L How are we righteous before God?

C Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments, of never having kept any of them, and of still being inclined toward all evil.

Nevertheless, without any merit of my own, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, and as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me.

All I need to do is accept this gift with a believing heart.

L Why do you say that through faith alone you are righteous?

C Not because I please God by the worthiness of my faith. It is because only Christ's satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me righteous before God, and because I can accept this righteousness and make it mine in no other way than through faith.

Sermon Text Reading

Romans 6:5-11 (ESV), p. 1120

1 Corinthians 15:12-23 (ESV), p. 1142

Message

Bruce Brown

Prayer of Affirmation

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn (Blue #115)

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

*Offering Prayer

Our offering is received in the offering plate on the back table in the sanctuary.

*Doxology

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

The prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are responsive. When you hear the leader say:

Lord in your mercy,

Please respond,

Hear our prayer.

Let us pray the prayer Christ taught us, saying:

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.

And lead us not into temptation.

But deliver us from evil.

For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. AMEN

SENDING OUT

*Closing Hymn

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

*Blessing and Benediction

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ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

July 12th, 2026

10:00 a.m.

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Welcome to our Worship!

We are glad to have you with us today. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Everyone is welcome for refreshments and fellowship after worship.

Our **offering** is received on the back table in the sanctuary.

You can give online using the **QR code** or donate from our **website**.

Please volunteer to be **liturgist** or **bring cookies**.

Signups are on the table in the south alcove.



The **Friendship Luncheon** at Hill's Family Restaurant will be on Tuesday, July 21st at 11AM. Please sign-up downstairs on the round table.

Arise Freedom Encounter for the women of the church will be at 9AM on July 25th at the Napoleon American Legion. Lunch is included. Tickets are available for \$15 on their webpage:

<https://www.givebutter.com/2026-restoration-retreat-napoleon-vl1udl>

Bruce will be cooking at **Emanuel Lutheran Church** on Wednesday, July 29th. He will be needing help on July 28th with preparing the meal.

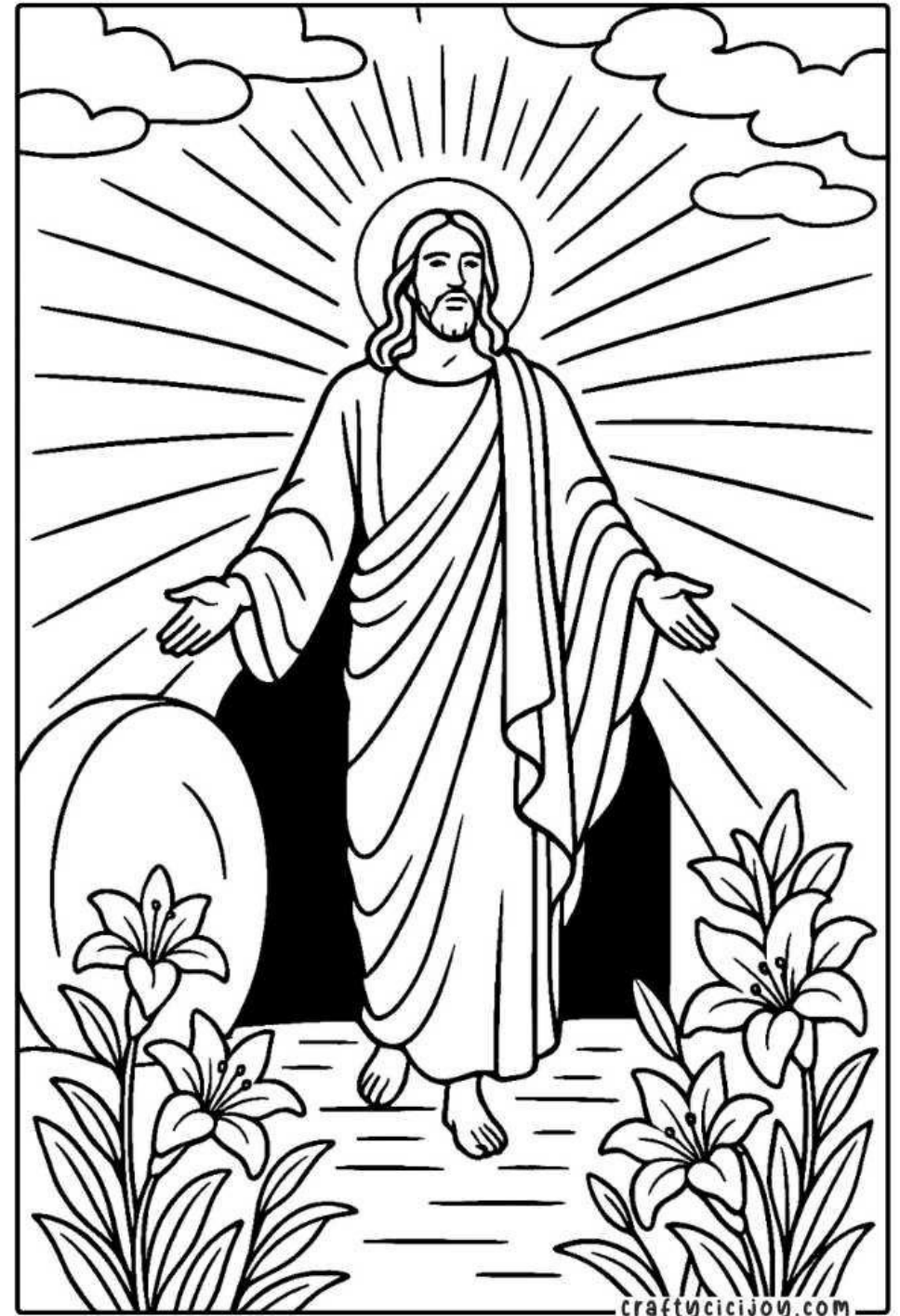
CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

VANCREST: Dollie Smith

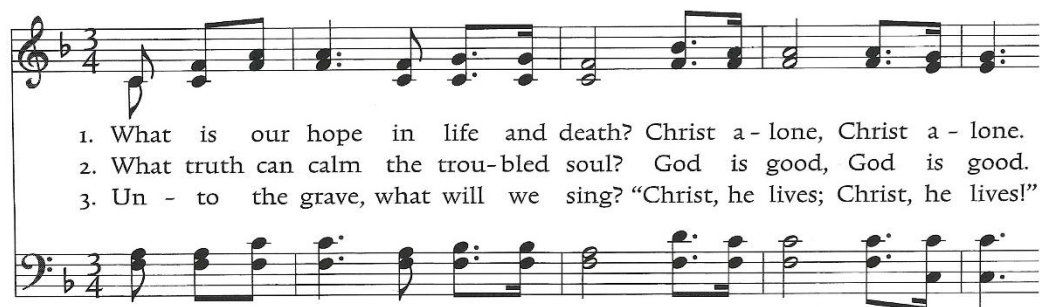
BEACHWOOD: Connie Cobb

ALPINE VILLAGE: Sandy Johnson

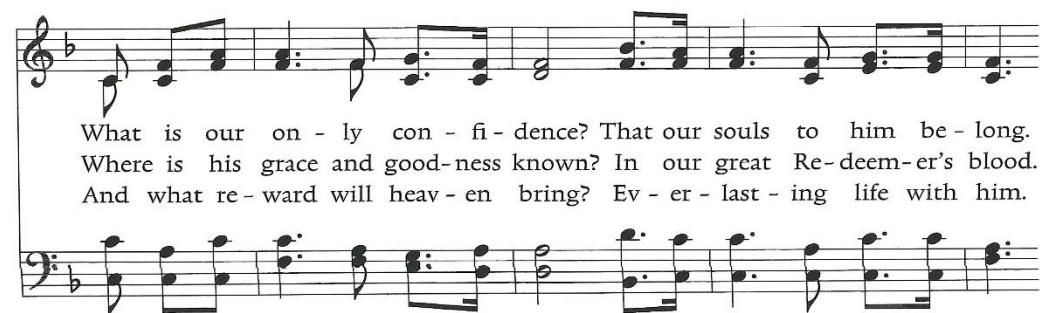
PRAYER LIST: Carol Detmer, Sandee Scheweter, Kathy Schilens (Jana Schroeder's sister), Enoch Castro Vásquez (Olga Hall's father), Jacob Clegg (Brenda Stough's friend), Betty Sladek (Ed Sladek's Wife)



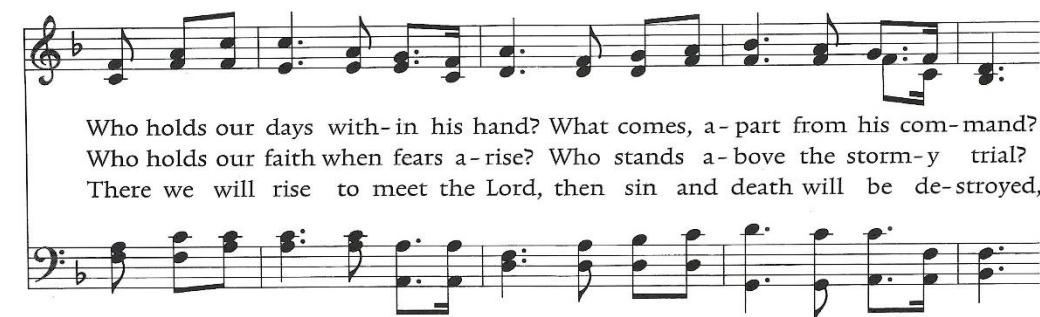
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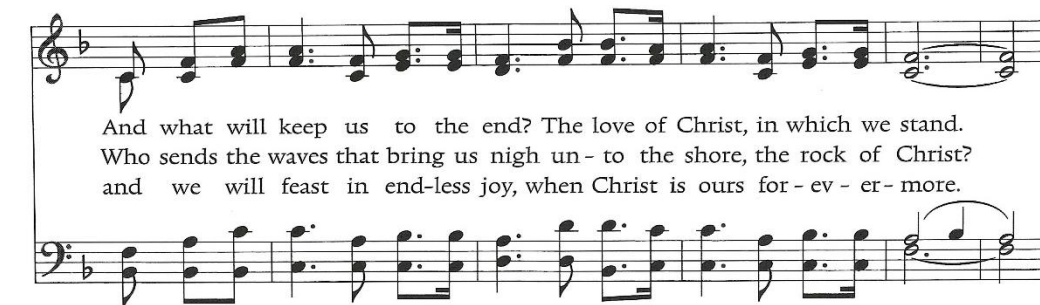
1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-lone.
 2. What truth can calm the trou-bled soul? God is good, God is good.
 3. Un-to the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, he lives; Christ, he lives!"



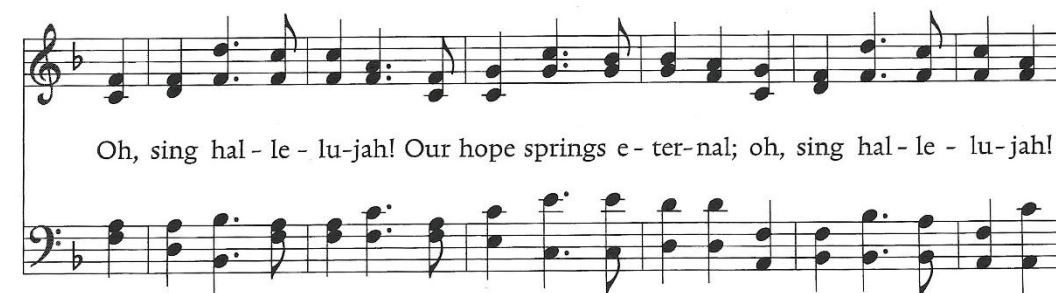
What is our on-ly con-fi-dence? That our souls to him be-long.
 Where is his grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's blood.
 And what re-ward will heav-en bring? Ev-er-last-ing life with him.



Who holds our days with-in his hand? What comes, a-part from his com-mand?
 Who holds our faith when fears a-rise? Who stands a-bove the storm-y trial?
 There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and death will be de-stroyed,



And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.
 Who sends the waves that bring us nigh un-to the shore, the rock of Christ?
 and we will feast in end-less joy, when Christ is ours for-ev-er-more.



Oh, sing hal-le-lu-jah! Our hope springs e-ter-nal; oh, sing hal-le-lu-jah!



Now and ev-er we con-fess Christ our hope in life and death.

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What is your only comfort in life and death?

That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, also assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live unto him.

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