



Zion Goshert's United Church of Christ

Worship
Sunday, April 12, 2020
Resurrection Sunday

Pastor: Bruce Farrell
Ministers: All the Faithful Members

PRELUDE

Tara Zimmerman

[9:55 a.m.]

WELCOME and Ringing of the Bell

HYMN

Christ Arose

¹Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior, waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain

***Up from the grave He arose; with a mighty triumph o'er His foes.
He arose a victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!***

²Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior. Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]

³Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior. He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! [Refrain]

CALL TO WORSHIP: Luke 24:5-6a

In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them,
"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He has risen!"

ANTHEM

Season of Promise
Roberto Marti

PRAYERS for the People and Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father Who is in heaven, hallowed be Your Name.
Your kingdom come; Your 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 Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE: The Strong Angels!

THE SCRIPTURE: Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON: Jesus Resurrection ~ The Proof is in the Pudding

COMMUNION

Invitation

Prayer of Confession and Preparation

Declaration of Faith

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
And in Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son, our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell. On the third day, He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there He shall come to judge the living 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.**

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread

He is Lord

**He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.
You are Hope, You are Hope! You have opened up Your arms and You are Hope!
Ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Hope.**

Sharing of the Wine

Alleluia

**Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Christ is risen. Alleluia! Christ is risen. Alleluia!
Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia! You are worthy. Alleluia! You are worthy. Alleluia!**

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

And so, on this Day of Resurrection, we raise our voices to proclaim this timeless truth: Christ has died. Christ is risen! Christ will come again! No words can express our thankfulness to You. You poured Your Holy Spirit out on us as we received the gift of Your presence in the bread and cup. As Christ burst forth from the tomb, may new life burst forth from us and show itself in acts of love and healing to a hurting world. May that same Christ, Who lives forever and is the source of our new life, keep our hearts rejoicing and grant us peace in each minute. All glory and honor is Yours, Almighty God, now and for all time!

HYMN

Christ the Lord Has Risen Today

**¹Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! All creation, join to say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
²Love'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!
³Lives 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!
⁴Soar 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!**

BENEDICTION

NOTES ON PARISH LIFE

POSTLUDE

**Christ Jesus Who died – more than that, Who was raised to life – is at the right hand of God
and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?
Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? ...
No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him Who loved us.
For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the
future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate
us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 8: 34- 35, 37-39



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