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# THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

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## THE CALL TO HEAR THE RESURRECTION STORY

Matthew 28:1-10

*<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. <sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." <sup>8</sup>So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."*

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP

*In the name of the Father who raised Christ Jesus from the dead,*

**We exalt the Almighty God who set in place the plan to save us.**

*In the name of Jesus who conquered death by His glorious resurrection,*

**We honor His victory by living the new life He has won for us.**

*In the name of the Holy Spirit who makes us witnesses to the glory of God.*

**We testify to all the earth that everyone who believes in Jesus receives the forgiveness of sins through Him.**

## THE CALL TO WORSHIP THE RISEN LORD: LSB 457 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing,  
Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave,  
Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which He endured,  
Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host,  
Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

## THE CALL TO CONFESS YOUR SINS

*By His death Jesus took our sins upon Himself. By His resurrection He took away the guilt of our sin and shame. Confess your doubts, fears, and failures.*

**Lord God, we are living in the midst of circumstances way beyond our control. Forgive me for not fully trusting You to guide me in all these matters. Forgive me for doubting You so easily when I hit the bumps and bends in the road of life. Forgive me for being lukewarm because I do not understand or appreciate the process You are taking me through. Reveal Your presence to me so clearly that my heart burns within me so I am filled with willing obedience and confident trust. Help me to trust You at all times, especially when I least feel like it – that is when I need it the most. I ask for Your grace and guidance in Jesus' name. Amen.**

*The sacrifice of Jesus forgives us. The presence of the Risen Lord strengthens us. The truth of the Holy Spirit sets us free to live to the Lord's glory.*

## THE CALL TO PRAISE OUR LORD: (from Psalm 118)

*Alleluia! Christ has risen, as He said. He has risen from the dead.*

**Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.**

*Let Israel say: "His love endures forever."*

**I was pushed back and about to fall, but the Lord helped me.**

*I will give You thanks, for You answered me; You have become my salvation.*

**The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone:**

*This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, from the house of the Lord we bless you.**

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

**Alleluia! Christ has risen. He has risen indeed. Alleluia!**

## THE CALL TO SING TO THE RISEN ONE: 469 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

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| 1 "Christ the Lord is ris'n today!" | 2 Love's redeeming work is done,  |
| Saints on earth and angels say;     | Fought the fight, the battle won; |
| Raise your joys and triumphs high;  | Lo! Our Sun's eclipse is o'er;    |
| Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. | Lo! He sets in blood no more.     |

3 Vain the stone, the watch, the seal;  
Christ hath burst the gates of hell.  
Death in vain forbids His rise;  
Christ has opened paradise.

4 Lives again our glorious King!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting?  
Once He died our souls to save;  
Where thy victory, O grave?

5 Soar we now where Christ has led;  
Foll'wing our exalted Head.  
Made like Him, like Him we rise;  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

6 Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n!  
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n!  
Thee we greet triumphant now:  
Hail, the resurrection, Thou!

### **THE RISEN SAVIOR SEEN BY WITNESSES:**

**Acts 10:34-43**

*<sup>34</sup>So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup>you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup>To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."*

### **WE, TOO, ARE RAISED WITH CHRIST:**

**Colossians 3:1-4**

*<sup>1</sup>If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup>Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup>For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup>When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.*

### **THE CALL TO STATE OUR FAITH**

*Who is this Jesus you have come to worship?*

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary is my Lord.**

*What has He done for you?*

**He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil.**

*With what price did He redeem you?*

**It was not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death.**

*Why would He do such a thing?*

**That I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness.**

*How do you know this is true?*

**Because He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true – the Bible tells me so, therefore I know that I know that I know!**

**THE CALL TO PROCLAIM THE LORD: 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

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| 1 I know that my Redeemer lives;<br>What comfort this sweet sentence gives!<br>He lives, He lives, who once was dead;<br>He lives, my ever-living head. | 3 He lives to bless me with His love;<br>He lives to plead for me above;<br>He lives my hungry soul to feed;<br>He lives to help in time of need.        |
| 2 He lives triumphant from the grave;<br>He lives eternally to save;<br>He lives all-glorious in the sky;<br>He lives exalted there on high.            | 4 He lives to grant me rich supply;<br>He lives to guide me with His eye;<br>He lives to comfort me when faint;<br>He lives to hear my soul's complaint. |

**THE CALL TO APPLY GOD'S WORD: "Christ Is our Life" Pastor William Zeige**

**THE CALL TO PROCLAIM THE LORD: 461 I Know That My Redeemer Lives**

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| 5 He lives to silence all my fears;<br>He lives to wipe away my tears;<br>He lives to calm my troubled heart;<br>He lives all blessings to impart.                      | 7 He lives and grants me daily breath;<br>He lives, and I shall conquer death;<br>He lives my mansion to prepare;<br>He lives to bring me safely there. |
| 6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;<br>He lives and loves me to the end;<br>He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;<br>He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King. | 8 He lives, all glory to His name!<br>He lives, my Jesus, still the same;<br>Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:<br>I know that my Redeemer lives!   |

**THE CALL TO PRAYER**

**THE CALL TO BE BLESSED**

*Because Jesus lives we can face tomorrow.*

*There will be trials and pains we meet, but we can turn to the righteousness of Jesus to rise above them all.*

*Go forth in the peace, the joy, and the victory of our Risen Savior.*

*Go forth in faith, for Christ is risen!*

**He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## **THE CALL TO GO FORTH: 475 Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing**

- 1 Good Christian friends, rejoice and sing!  
Now is the triumph of our King!  
To all the world glad news we bring:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 2 The Lord of life is ris'n this day;  
Bring flow'rs of song to strew His way;  
Let all the world rejoice and say:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 3 Praise we in songs of victory  
That love, that life which cannot die,  
And sing with hearts uplifted high:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
- 4 Your name we bless, O risen Lord,  
And sing today with one accord  
The life laid down, the life restored:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!