

EASTER SUNDAY

MARCH 31, 2024 | 9:00AM & 10:45AM



NEW CITY

CALL TO WORSHIP*

God initiates the dialogue
by calling us through his
Word.

REVELATION 5:12-13

- LEADER Worthy is the Lamb who was slain,
to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might
and honor and glory and blessing!
- ALL To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!
- LEADER He is risen!
- ALL He is risen indeed!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION*

We respond to God's
gracious initiative through
corporate prayer and
songs of adoration.

PSALM 107:1-9

- ALL Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever!
Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,
whom he has redeemed from trouble
and gathered in from the lands,
from the east and from the west,
from the north and from the south.
Some wandered in desert wastes,
finding no way to a city to dwell in;
hungry and thirsty,
their soul fainted within them.
Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,
and he delivered them from their distress.
He led them by a straight way
till they reached a city to dwell in.
Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,
for his wondrous works to the children of man!
For he satisfies the longing soul,
and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

SONGS OF APPROACH*

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

Christ the Lord is risen today alleluia
Sons of men and angels say alleluia
Raise your joys and triumphs high alleluia
Sing ye heavens and earth reply alleluia

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

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

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

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MAN OF SORROWS

Man of sorrows Lamb of God
By His own betrayed
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid

Silent as He stood accused
Beaten mocked and scorned
Bowing to the Father's will
He took a crown of thorns

**Oh that rugged cross my salvation
Where Your love poured out over me
Now my soul cries out hallelujah
Praise and honor unto Thee**

Sent of heaven God's own Son
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed Him to that tree

***Now my debt is paid
It is paid in full
By the precious blood
That my Jesus spilled
Now the curse of sin
Has no hold on me
Whom the Son sets free
Oh is free indeed***

See the stone is rolled away
Behold the empty tomb
Hallelujah God be praised
He's risen from the grave

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READING OF THE LAW*

ROMANS 6:1-7

As the Lord, Jesus reveals his will for those that belong to his Kingdom. In turn, we recognize our sin and respond with confession.

LEADER What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin.

WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM

QUESTION 51

LEADER How was Christ exalted?

ALL Christ's exaltation includes his resurrection, ascension, sitting at the right hand of the Father, and coming again to judge the world.

CORPORATE AND SILENT CONFESSION

ADAPTED FROM "CRUCIFIXION AND RESURRECTION" IN THE VALLEY OF VISION

We pray with full confidence that our holy God is merciful to sinners because of Jesus Christ.

ALL O Lord, I marvel that you should become incarnate, be crucified, dead, and buried. The tomb calls forth my adoring wonder, for it is empty and you are risen; the four-fold gospel attests it, the living witnesses prove it, my heart's experience knows it. O Lord, there is much ill about me -- crucify it. There is much flesh within me -- mortify it. Purge me from selfishness, the fear of man, the love of approval. Grant me to stand with my dying Saviour, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to take up unpopular truths, and to hold fast despised teachings until death. Help me to be resolute and Christ-contained. Strengthen me for the battles ahead. Give me courage for all trials, and grace for all the joys. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, may I be strengthened through its influence. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON*

We believe that on the cross all our sins--past, present, and future--have been paid for.

EPHESIANS 2:4-6

LEADER God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

SONG OF THANKSGIVING*

Having received mercy in Christ Jesus, we give thanks to God.

IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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PASSING OF THE PEACE*

We embrace our new family in Christ with the peace Jesus has accomplished by his death-and-resurrection.

LEADER Because of God's great love, you are alive together with Christ.
May the peace of Christ be with you.

ALL And also with you!

BAPTISM

EMERY GRACE CHO

Baptism is a sacrament instituted by God and is a sign and seal of the Covenant of Grace, of our union with Christ, of remission of sins, of regeneration, adoption, and life eternal.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suff'ring
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him
Praise the Lord He is alive
What a foretaste of deliv'rance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when He comes

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ELDER PRAYER

NewCity is led by a Session, a leadership body of ruling and teaching elders. They lead the family in prayers of adoration, confession, thanksgiving, and supplication.

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST?

Scan the QR code and submit prayer requests for our elders to pray over on Sundays.
Confidential requests will not be shared publicly.



SCRIPTURE READING*

1 PETER 1:22—2:3

SERMON

1 PETER: DELIBERATELY DISTINCT

THE CHURCH'S EXILIC CALLING, PART 6

Because the Bible is
God's inspired, infallible,
and authoritative word,
we incline our hearts
to hear the reading
of Scripture and the
proclamation of the
gospel with a resolve to
obey our risen King.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

1 CORINTHIANS 11:23-26

The Lord's Supper is a
sacrament instituted by God
and to be shared only by
baptized believers who are
members in good standing of
a local church.

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

*we use gluten-free bread for the Lord's Supper

SONG OF FAITH*

O CHURCH ARISE

Having received
instruction and blessing,
we commit to proclaim
the hope of eternal life
and pursue philanthropy.

O church arise and put your armor on
Hear the call of Christ our Captain
For now the weak
Can say that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold whose battle cry is Love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword
That makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on every side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have
The prize for which He died
An inheritance of nations

Come see the cross
Where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see His foes
Lie crushed beneath His feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerges from the grave
This victory march continues till the day
Every eye and heart shall see Him

So Spirit come put strength in every stride
Give grace for every hurdle
That we may run
With faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of His grace
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in glory

DOXOLOGY*

We give glory to God
who is the source of
every blessing.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heav'nly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

BENEDICTION*

ADAPTED FROM REVELATION 1:4

LEADER Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was
and who is to come.

ALL Amen. Thanks be to God!

Finally, as God initiated
the dialogue of worship,
so now he concludes our
time together by sending
us out with a word of
blessing so that we
might be a blessing to all.

NEW?

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