



Sunday, April 12, 2020

We Gather

- I. Prelude: He Is Risen
- II. Call to Worship

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.
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed.

- III. God's Greeting
- IV. Opening Hymn:
 - "Christ the Lord is Risen Today"
- V. Children's Easter Story

We Are Renewed

- I. Prayer of Confession
- II. Assurance of Pardon

"Death has been swallowed up in victory."
"Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹

- III. Congregational Prayer

¹ [*The New International Version*](#). (2011). (1 Co 15:54–57). Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan.

We Hear His Word

- I. Special Music: "O For A Thousand Tongues"
- II. Scripture Reading: Luke 24:36-49

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

- III. Prayer for Illumination
- IV. Sermon: The First Easter
- V. Prayer of Application
- VI. Closing: "Because He Lives"

We Respond

- I. Offering

Special Offering: Benevolence Fund

- II. Parting Blessing

*As you are sent forth, go in the power of the Holy Spirit.
As Christ burst forth from the tomb,
may new life burst forth from you
and show itself in acts of love and healing to a broken world.
And may the same Christ, who lives forever
and is the source of our new life,
keep your hearts rejoicing and grant you peace
this day and always. Amen.*

- III. Closing Song: "Hallelujah Chorus"