

WORSHIP HANDOUT

Sunday April 9th
Easter Sunday



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

ANTHEM “Come an’ See” (OneLic) arr. Poole

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Suffering Servant
becomes the healing source.

**The stone rejected
becomes hope’s cornerstone.**

The Crucified One
is raised to new life.

**The God of healing, hope and life is in our midst:
Let us celebrate and worship our good God!**

— written by Brian Draper, and posted on the *Monthly Prayers* page of the [Christian Aid](#) website.

SONG AS CHILDREN DEPART

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, vs. 1-4 (pub dom) UMH 302

OPENING PRAYER

O Good Shepherd,
You desire to guide all
into safety, refreshment and peace.
Meet us here today and
Fill us with your love,
that we may look into your world with your loving knowledge,
welcome our sisters and brothers with your joy

and offer our lives with your generosity
as members of your beloved community:
in your name we pray, Amen.

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TIME OF PRAYER

Prayers/Names of the People

PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

HYMN Up from the Grave He Arose (pub dom) UMH 322

LESSON I

John 20: 1-9 CEB

Early in the morning of the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² She ran to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don’t know where they’ve put him.” ³ Peter and the other disciple left to go to the tomb. ⁴ They were running together, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and was the first to arrive at the tomb. ⁵ Bending down to take a look, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he didn’t go in. ⁶ Following him, Simon Peter entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying

there. ⁷ He also saw the face cloth that had been on Jesus' head. It wasn't with the other clothes but was folded up in its own place. ⁸ Then the other disciple, the one who arrived at the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ They didn't yet understand the scripture that Jesus must rise from the dead.

May God add a Blessing to this reading.

*LESSON 2

John 20:10-18 CEB

Then the disciples returned to the place where they were staying.

¹¹ Mary stood outside near the tomb, crying. As she cried, she bent down to look into the tomb. ¹² She saw two angels dressed in white, seated where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and one at the foot. ¹³ The angels asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" She replied, "They have taken away my Lord, and I don't know where they've put him." ¹⁴ As soon as she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she didn't know it was Jesus.

¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who are you looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him and I will get him."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabbouni" (which means *Teacher*).

¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Don't hold on to me, for I haven't yet gone up to my Father. Go to my brothers and sisters and tell them, 'I'm going up to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene left and announced to the disciples, "I've seen the Lord." Then she told them what he said to her.

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

Love Stays

Nancy Hoffman

ANTHEM

“He Loved Them to the End” (OneLic) Martin

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

UMH 12-15

INVITATION

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Merciful God,

We confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: ...

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

Glory to God. Amen.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*UNISON PRAYER

**Almighty God,
giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you not with our words only,
but with our whole lives. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And Also with you.

Lift us your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give our thanks to the Lord our God.

Is it right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good...

...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and
earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is
the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the
highest.**

Holy are you, and blessed...

...as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour our your Holy Spirit...

...now and forever.

Amen.

*HYMN

Christ Is Alive (OneLic)

UMH 318

*BENEDICTION and RESPONSE

Celtic Alleluia, chorus only (OneLic)

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POSTLUDE