



Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.”

So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself.

Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

John 20:1-10

Easter Sunrise Service

March 31, 2024 — 7:15 a.m.

* Congregation standing as you are able

Prelude

“Thine Be the Glory”

Instrumental Ensemble

* **Call to worship**

Aaron Tolson
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based on 1 Peter 1:3-4

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade.

All: God has claimed us as his own. He has brought us out of darkness. Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

* **Hymn of praise**

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today,” Alleluia!
sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
sing ye heav’ns, 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!
foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia!
ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!
text by Charles Wesley, 1739; music from Lyra Davidica, 1708; EASTER HYMN

*** Prayer of adoration**

Affirmation of faith

based on 1 Corinthians 15 and Colossians 1

Leader: This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand,
and by which we are saved:

All: Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, was buried,
was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to
Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

Leader: We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.

All: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation,
in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was
pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the
body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things
to God.

Hymn of response

“Alleluia! Alleluia!”

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise:
he who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
alleluia to the Savior, who has won the victory;
alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity.

Alleluia! Alleluia to the Triune Majesty.

text by Christopher Wordsworth, 1862; music by Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; ODE TO JOY

Sunrise homily

“The Empty Tomb”
Aaron Tolson, Pastor of Youth Ministries

John 20:1-10

*** Hymn of praise**

“Worship Christ, the Risen King!”

Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.
Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares:
“Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares.”
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory;
sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free.
Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!
text by Jack W. Hayford, 1986; music by Henry T. Smart, 1867; REGENT SQUARE

*** Benediction**

*** Postlude**

“Sing, Choirs of New Jerusalem”

Instrumental Ensemble

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Stephen Bearden – trumpet
David Henry – trumpet
Brian Poteet – trombone
Allen Turner – trombone

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