



United Church of Christ ~ California, Missouri

Rev. Russell Cobb  
Mrs. Beth Dampf

Pastor  
Organist

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April 4, 2021 ~ Easter  
10:30 a.m.

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The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles      Ella Burger      Emily Burger

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

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

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

Hymn No. 195 “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

Prayer

**Father, Thank You for the miracle of life – abundant life here, and eternal life with You in Heaven. Help us celebrate that life every day as we seek You and follow Your plan for our lives. Today, we say with the Apostle Paul, “Where, O death is your victory? Where, O death is your sting?” In Jesus’ Name, Amen.**

Call to Praise

O Lord, open our lips!

**And our mouths shall show forth your praise!**

Act of Praise No. 493 “Gloria Patri” (*Glory be to the Father*)

Invitation to Children’s Time

Hymn for Children “Jesus Loves Me”

Children’s Time Ginnie Medlin

Anthem “Jesus Lives, Alleluia” Sr. Choir

Prayer of Illumination Elizabeth Ash

**Open our eyes and soften our hearts, O God, through the work of your Holy Spirit, that in the hearing of your Word we may receive new life. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons

*First Lesson:* 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 p. 1030

*Second Lesson:* 1 Corinthians 15:12-21 p. 1001

Sermon **He Still Moves Stones**  
**Matthew 28:1-10**

Hymn No. 204 “Because He Lives”

Kyrie “Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us”

Assurance of Pardon

God who raised Jesus from the dead has not given us over to death. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Any Christian who wishes to know the presence of Christ and share in the community of God's people is invited to receive the Sacrament.*

### Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

**And with you also.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Let us pray...(the Communion Prayer continues...)

The Lord's Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Thanks be to you, O God, for your presence and your purpose, for your loving kindness and your steadfast Spirit. May the blessings of this table strengthen our faith, increase our generosity and unify our hearts, for we pray in the name of Jesus, the Risen One. Amen.**

Hymn No. 207 "Up from the Grave He Arose"

Benediction

Extinguishing of the Candles

Postlude

❧ Welcome, guests! Please take a moment to fill out a Connection Card (located in the pew rack) and place it in the offering plate as you leave the sanctuary. ❧

**Blessed Easter!!!** How good it is to worship together on this first day of the week. The Risen Christ is near you now and always. Thank you for worshipping with us! As you leave the sanctuary, please take a water bottle (with pen, bookmark & magnet in it) & accept it as our token of thanks for being here.

**First Christian Church Annual Pork Steak Fundraiser**

Sunday, April 25<sup>th</sup> ❧ 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Drive Thru – First Christian Church Parking Lot


Pork Steak Meal: \$10 in Advance / \$12 at the Door

Hot Dog Meal: \$5 in Advance / \$6 at the Door

**Wednesday Evening Meal: April 7<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00 p.m.**

Taco Salad & Dessert

**Beginning on Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
California City Hall Meeting Room  
A Christ-Centered 12 Step Support Group  
for Men**

 **Celebrate Recovery®**

**Every Friday  
Night**

Overcoming Our Hurts Hangups  
and Habits Together!



Sermon Notes:

**He Still Moves Stones**  
**Matthew 28:1-10**

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## **Activities Calendar: April 4, 2021~ April 11, 2021**

### **Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> – Easter**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Holy Communion

### **Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 p.m. – Teachers & Officers

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

6:30 p.m. – Grief Share Class

### **Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

6:30 p.m. – Bell Choir & God's Singers

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir Rehearsal

### **Sunday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship & Holy Communion

7:00 p.m. - HS Youth Group

*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

Our Confirmands (2020-2021):

Kya Peck, Hayden Kilmer, Michelle Sedgwick, Brooks Volkart,  
Colin Kruger, Bennett Gatlin, Kinleigh Monroe

**All Those Who Need Our Prayers, including:**

Becky Zuidervaat	Charlie Gabert	Carol Wolfrum
Jo Suggs	Chris Schoenthal	Collin Mouse
Judy Kilmer	Bill Schacht	Kim (Yelton) Haesemeier

**All Those Serving in the U.S. Military, including:**

Craig Hall (*Air Force, stationed at Dyess AFB, Abilene, TX*)  
Martin Knipker (*son of Kenny Knipker*)  
Dwight Bowlin (*grandson of Jack & Carole Bowlin, Fort Bragg, NC*)  
Dakota Meyer (*grandson of Billy Meyer, Ft. Carson, Colorado Springs, CO*)  
Madelynn Perry (*granddaughter of Jan Anderson, army – Europe*)  
Dylan Ash (*son of Lanny & Ellen Ash, stationed at Camp Lejeune, NC*)  
Hayden Grant (*grandson of Kathy Grant, Air Force, Pensacola, FL*)  
Kyle Hofstetter (*son of Scott & Jill Hofstetter, stationed at San Diego, CA*)  
Alexander Ives (*nephew of Pamela Hill, Army – Fort Bragg*)  
Cory Friedmeyer (*grandson of Charles Goode, Marines, Palm Springs, CA*)  
Ryan Carel (*nephew of Leroy Schnieders, Seymour Johnson AFB, NC*)  
Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Fort Bragg, NC*)



*Easter Lilies have been placed in memory of*

**Cletus & Geneva Kueffer**  
by Rhonda & Duane Huhmann  
Amy & Tom Huhmann

**Carl & Alice Meisenheimer**, by the family

**Rev. Richard Ferris**, by Carmen Ferris

**Gary Oesterly**, by Mary Oesterly & family

**Walter Pate**, by Jim & Roberta Pate

**Kevin Bird**, by Lola Bird

**Herbert & Ruby Kusgen**, by Lola Bird

**Mr. & Mrs. F.A. Bueker & Margaret Bueker**, by the family

**Mr. & Mrs. E.M. Burger**, by the family

**Bob Keil**, by Mary Keil & family

**Ed & Ella Kueffer**, by the Bob Kueffer family

**Steve Yelton**, by Nora Yelton

**Herman, Juanita, & Gail Wolfrum**  
by Betty Swillum & Carol Wolfrum

**Kevin Liebi**, by Peggy Liebi

**Rubylee Smith**, by Caleb Howard & Carole Bowlin

**Martin & Florence Burger**  
**Irwin & Vernie Stegner**  
by Bob & Mary Burger

**Fred & Lucy Burger**  
**Bill Burger**  
**Donald & Eva Mae Switzer**  
by Judy, Jeremy, & Andy Burger families

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**Wayne Bueker**, by Mary Bueker & family

**Walter & Maxine Bueker**, by Mary Bueker & family

**Eugene & Doris Wittenberger**, by Phyllis Miller

**Earl D. Miller**, by Phyllis Miller

**Norma McDaniel**

by Harley, Steve, & Deb McDaniel

**Brad Kueffer**, by the Jim Kueffer family

**Daniel D. Franks**, by Elaine Proctor

**Justin Trimble**, by Amanda, Macie & Chase Trimble

**Ed & Mary Lou Hert**, by the family

**J.E. & Charlene Ford**, by the family

**Harold & Ruth Clennin**

**Nick & Trella Clennin**

by Carla Clennin

*And in honor of . . .*

**Charles Brown**, by Carmen Brown

# It's Time To Think About Church Camp 2021!

**Sr. High (completed grades 9-12)**

**Camp Fees: postmarked before 5/31 \$240/after \$265.00**

**Jr. High (completed grades 6-8)**

**Camp Fees: postmarked before 5/31 \$215.00/after \$240.00**

**Junior (completed grades 4-5)**

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**Primary (completed grades 1-3)**

**Camp Fees: postmarked before 5/31 \$110.00/after \$135.00**

**\*\*Sunday School will pay 1/2 of Early Registration Fee\*\***

**Register online at [www.campaurora.org](http://www.campaurora.org) then let Cinda know  
at [cinda.scheidt@gmail.com](mailto:cinda.scheidt@gmail.com) or 573-230-8458**

# Jesus Christ is Risen Today



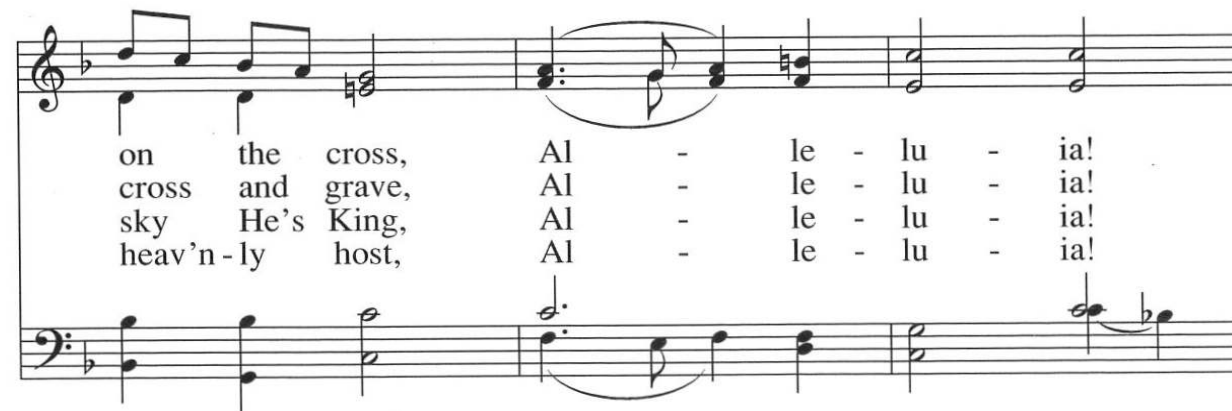
1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le -  
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing; Al - le -  
 3. But the pains which He en - dured, Al - le -  
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le -



lu - ia! Our tri - umph - ant ho - ly day,  
 lu - ia! Un - to Christ our heav'n - ly King,  
 lu - ia! Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured,  
 lu - ia! Praise e - ter - nal as His love,



Al - le - lu - ia! Who did once up -  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Who en - dured the  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Now a - bove the  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise Him all ye



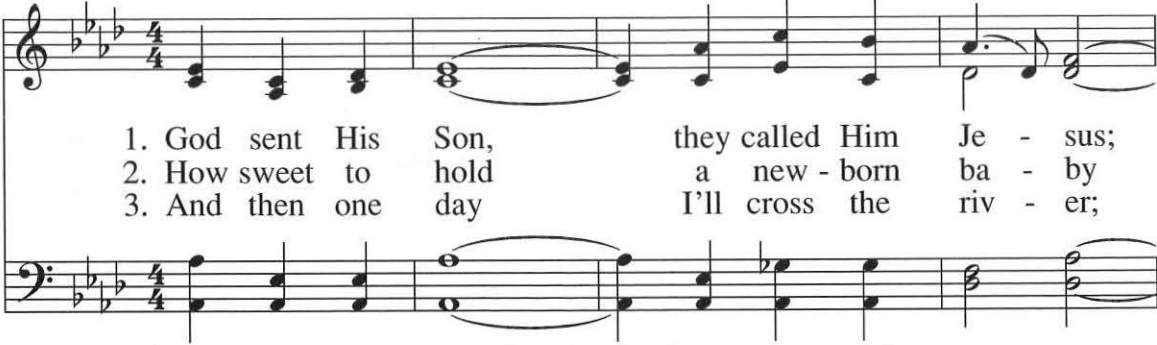
on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sky He's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

Suf - fer to re - deem our loss,  
Sin - ners to re - deem and save.  
Where the an - gels ev - er sing:  
Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

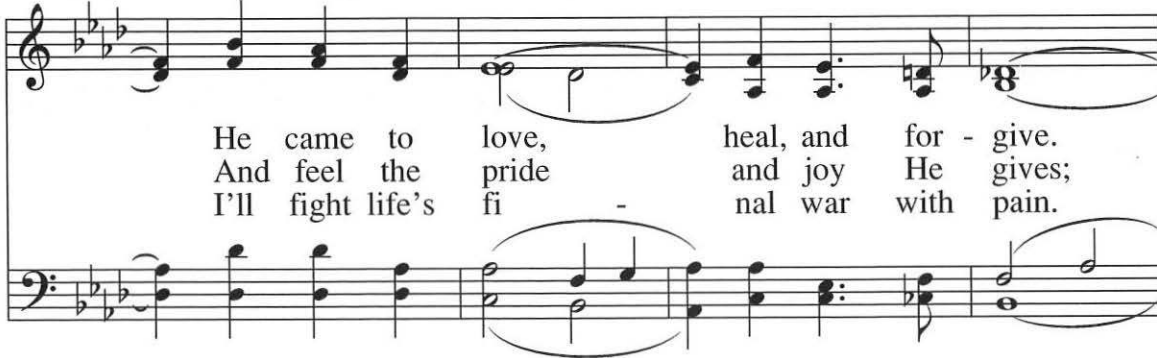
*Unison*

Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

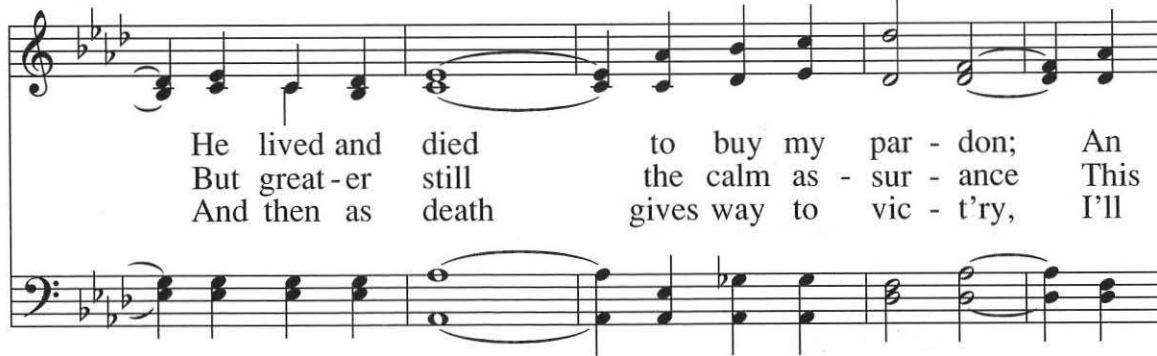
## Because He Lives



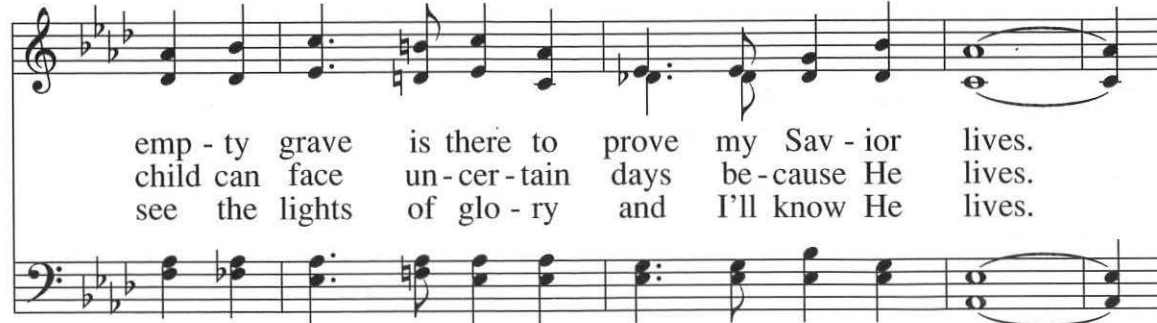
1. God sent His Son, they called Him Je - sus;  
 2. How sweet to hold a new - born ba - by  
 3. And then one day I'll cross the riv - er;



He came to love, heal, and for - give.  
 And feel the pride and joy He gives;  
 I'll fight life's fi - nal war with pain.



He lived and died to buy my par - don; An  
 But great - er still the calm as - sur - ance This  
 And then as death gives way to vic - t'ry, I'll



emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives.  
 child can face un - cer - tain days be - cause He lives.  
 see the lights of glo - ry and I'll know He lives.

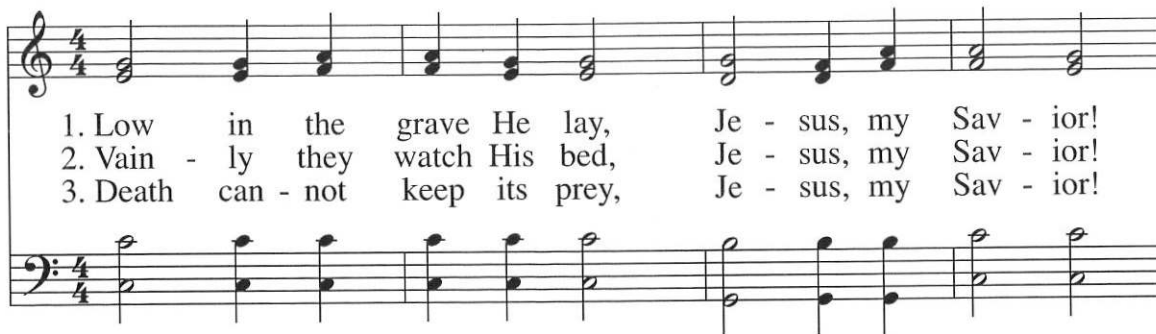
Be-cause He lives I can face to - mor - row;

Be-cause He lives all fear is gone;

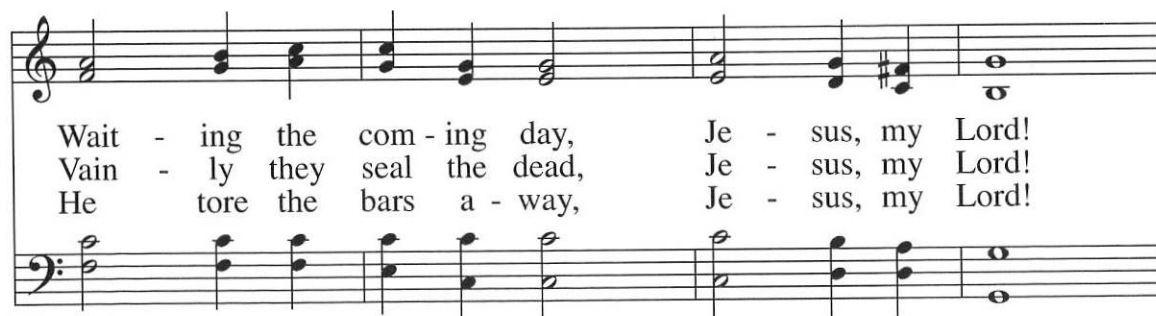
Be-cause I know He holds the fu - ture,

And life is worth the liv-ing just be-cause He lives.

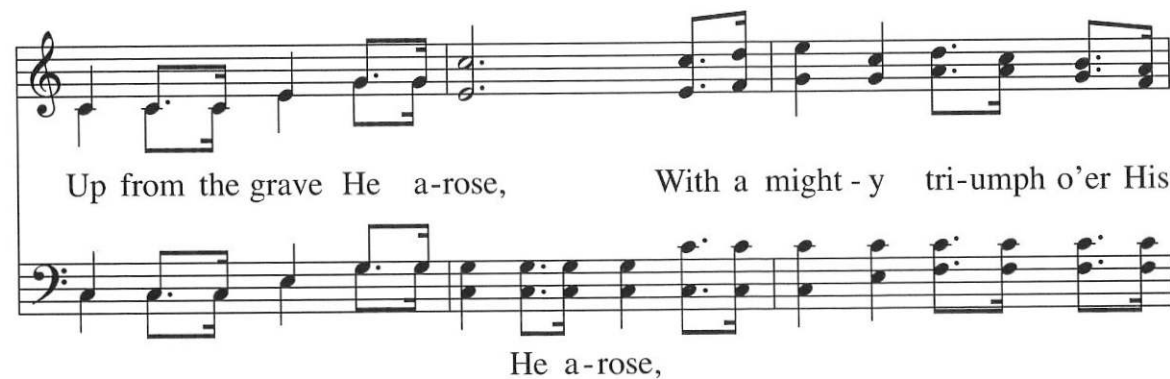
## Up From the Ground He Arose



1. Low in the grave He lay, Je - sus, my Sav - ior!  
 2. Vain - ly they watch His bed, Je - sus, my Sav - ior!  
 3. Death can - not keep its prey, Je - sus, my Sav - ior!



Wait - ing the com - ing day, Je - sus, my Lord!  
 Vain - ly they seal the dead, Je - sus, my Lord!  
 He tore the bars a - way, Je - sus, my Lord!



Up from the grave He a-rose, With a might - y tri-umph o'er His  
 He a-rose,



foes; He a-rose a vic - tor from the dark do-main, And He  
 o'er His foes;



lives for - ev - er with His saints to reign; He a-rose! He a -

He a-rose!

This system contains two staves of music. The upper staff is in treble clef and the lower staff is in bass clef. The melody is written in the upper staff, and the bass line is in the lower staff. The lyrics are written below the staves.

rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!

He a - rose!

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