



**United Church of Christ ~ California, Missouri**

**Rev. Lina Eddy**

**Pastor**

**Mrs. Beth Dampf**

**Organist**

**Mrs. Stacy Friedrich**

**Sr. Choir Director**

**Mrs. Ellen Ash**

**Piano Accompanist**

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**Easter Service ~ April 5, 2026**

**10:30 a.m.**

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*\* All those who are able, please stand.*

The Bell

The Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

Lee Bieri & Max Robertson

Choral Opening

Welcome and Announcements

*\*Call to Worship*

Leader: As the sun rises this Easter morning, we gather in the quiet beauty of a new day.

**People: Just as the darkness gives way to the light, so the power of death has been overcome by the light of the resurrection.**

Leader: The tomb is empty, hope is alive, and Christ walks with us still.

**All: Let us worship the risen Lord.**

*\*Hymn No. 196*

*“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”*

\*Prayer of the Day (unison)

**Risen Christ, as the sun rises on this Easter morning, shine your light into our hearts. Open our eyes to see you walking beside us, open our minds to understand your word, and open our lives to share the good news of the resurrection hope. For you have conquered death and brought life everlasting. Alleluia! 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 “Praise Him, Praise Him” p. 6 verse 1

*Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children,  
God is love, God is love; Praise Him, praise Him,  
all ye little children, God is love, God is love.*

Children’s Time

Ginnie Medlin

Anthem “Christ Is Risen”

Sr. Choir

Prayer of Illumination (unison)

Judy Burger

**Holy God, as we hear your Word this day, open our minds to understand, our hearts to believe, and our lives to bear witness to the risen Christ. Amen.**

Scripture Lessons

*First Lesson:* Acts 10:34-43 p. 957

*Second Lesson:* John 20:1-18 p. 944

Sermon “What’s in a Name!”

Hymn No. 205 “In the Garden”

Invitation to Offerings

\*Response “*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*”

\*Prayer of Dedication (unison)

**Risen Christ, bless these gifts and the lives that offer them. Use them to bring hope where is despair. Light where there is darkness, and life where there is death. Amen**

Invitation to Confession

Prayer of Confession (unison)

**Risen and loving God, we confess, that even in this season of resurrection, we do not always live as Easter people. We cling to fear instead of hope, and doubt instead of trust. Forgive us, we pray. Open our eyes to your presence, life and lead us from death into new life. Through the risen Christ, renew our hearts and restore our joy. Amen.**

Words of Assurance

## THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*The Sacrament of Holy Communion is open to all who seek to receive the Gift of God in Jesus Christ. This table is spread for you and for all.*

*The inner circle contains white wine. The outer circles contain red grape juice.*

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 Lord's Prayer (*debts and debtors*)

Breaking Bread and Pouring Wine

Sharing the Elements

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)

**Risen Christ, we come with grateful hearts on the Easter morning, giving thanks for the empty tomb and the promise of the new life. We praise you for hope stronger than fear, for love that overcomes death, and for the light that shines in every darkness. Renew us today with resurrection joy. Fill us with your peace and courage, that we may live as your faithful people, sharing your love and grace with all. With hearts full of alleluias, we give you thanks Amen.**

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

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Response- "Because He Lives" (chorus only) p.204

*Because He lives I can face tomorrow;*

*Because He lives all fear is gone;*

*Because I know He holds the future,*

*And life is worth the living just because He lives.*

\*Postlude

**Ushers – Holly Bieri and Kris Ingram**

**Greeters – Jay and Connie Bestgen**

**Have a Blessed Easter!!!**

The Risen Christ is near you now and always. Thank you for worshipping with us!

A **Nursery** is available in the upstairs hallway, just outside the sanctuary. The nursery attendant is **Emma Bestgen**. There are activity bags at the back of the sanctuary for children that stay in the worship service.

**Need some help with hearing?** See an usher at the back of the sanctuary to check out a hearing assisted unit for your personal use in the sanctuary and in the Friendship Hall. We have new units available.

**Notice the “Connection Cards” in the pews.** They are for our guests or anyone that has a prayer request or needs more information about the church. Please place it in the offering plate.

**Wednesday Evening Meal, April 8th ~ 6 p.m.**

**Taco Bar hosted by the Youth**

Don't forget to sign up!

**Mark your Calendars**

**Cabinet Meeting – April 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm**

**New Member Class**

**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup>**, there will be a lunch immediately following the service for anyone interested in joining the Church. New member classes will follow on Sunday mornings during Sunday School hour taught by Rev. Lina Eddy. Anyone interested in joining the Church let the Church office know.

### **Food Pantry Items Needed**

Each month the Food Pantry is requesting a different food item. For the **month of April, Canned Veggies** is the food item requested. There is a box in the downstairs foyer to place your food items.

High School Seniors that are members of California UCC, the Kaiser Scholarship Applications were mailed out and are due in the office **by April 9th!**

### **ALL CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT MAY 3rd**

Potluck supper. Come any time after 5:30, eat at 6:00, followed by entertainment and bingo (prizes for the winners).

Bring your favorite dishes to share. Drinks and table service provided by the Brotherhood.

***LET'S HAVE A FUN FAMILY  
GET TOGETHER!***

### **Office Hours for Rev. Lina Eddy**

*Wednesday, April 8 ~ 11 to 1 pm*  
*Thursday, April 9 ~ 9 am to 11 am*

## Activities Calendar: April 5, 2026 ~ April 12, 2026

### Sunday, April 5 ~ Easter

7:00 a.m. – Worship – Holy Communion

Breakfast following early worship

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship – Holy Communion

### Monday, April 6

6:30 p.m. – Sunday School Teacher and Officer Meeting

### Tuesday, April 7

9:00 a.m. – Prayer Cell

11:00 a.m. - Quilters

*Tidings News Due  
by April 24th*

### Wednesday, April 8

6:00 p.m. – Fellowship Meal

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

7:30 p.m. – Sr. Choir

### Sunday, April 12

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

10:30 a.m. – Worship - Cantata

### Looking ahead.....

*Monday, April 13 – Consistory at 6 pm*

*Wednesday, April 15 – Women's Guild at 1pm*

*Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> – R.O.K. Sunday ~ New Member Luncheon~ Kolten Fulks*

*Sunday, April 26<sup>th</sup> – Brenda Oesterly ~ Cabinet meeting at 2pm*

*Monday, April 27<sup>th</sup> – Brotherhood at 7pm*

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[rhonda@calmo-ucc.org](mailto:rhonda@calmo-ucc.org)*

*Please pray for these . . .*

Love & Justice in God's World

**Confirmands:** Lena Bieri, Megan Carlock, Royce Everett, Logan Milligan and Meredith Wolford

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

Anjanette Volkart, Charles Velazquez (Dolores Burger's brother-in-law), Diane (Henry) Jobe, Becky Zuidervaart, Jenine Baker, Alan Chambers, Courtney Cassil, Joyce Rohrbach, Jo Suggs, Judy Kilmer

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

Martin Knipker (*son of Kenny Knipker*)

Dwight Bowlin (*grandson of the late Jack & Carole Bowlin, Fort Campbell, KY*)

Dakota Meyer (*grandson of Billy Meyer, Ft. Carson, Colorado Springs, CO*)

Madelynn Perry (*granddaughter of Jan Anderson, army – Europe*)

Dylan Ash (*spouse- Jasmine Ash and son of Lanny & Ellen Ash, Great Lakes Naval Base, North Chicago, IL*)

Derek Meyer (*grandson of Elaine & Eldred Proctor, Army, Italy*)

Blake Street (*grandson of Jenine Baker, Army, Ft. Drum, NY*)

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*Prayer from Search Committee.....*

*Jeremiah 33:3 — Pray that a burden for deep and urgent prayer permeates the church not only as we seek God's will for a pastor, but also as you seek God's vision for the church.*

*Easter flowers have been placed in memory of*

***Easter Lily***

**Wayne Bueker**, by Mary Bueker & Family

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

**Harley McDaniel**

by Steve & Family and Deb and Billy

**Norma McDaniel**

by Steve & Family and Deb and Billy

**Walter & Alice Pate, and Charlie Parker**

by Jimmy & Roberta Pate

**Martin, Florence & Bob Burger**

by Mary Burger

**Irvin, Vernie, Fred, Ralph, & Ruth Stegner Berroth**

by Mary Burger

**Bob Keil**, by Mary Keil & Family

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

**Juanita Meisenheimer**, by Carl Meisenheimer & Family

**Carl & Alice Meisenheimer**

by the Family

**Rollie and Mary Lee Brizendine**

by the Family

## ***Tulips***

**J.E. and Charlene Ford**, by Jimmy Ford and Family

**Betty Lindsay**,  
by The Ingram & Lindsay Families

**Robert S. (Bob) Bruce**, by Patty Bruce & Family

**Wayne Howard**, by Kent Howard & Family

**Jack and Carol Beth Bowlin and Brooks and Ruby Lee Smith**  
By Kent Howard & Family

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

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

**William F. Schlup**, by the Schlup Family

**Billy Schlup**, by the Schlup Family

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

**Debbie VanDieren**  
by Jay and Lindsey VanDieren

## ***Hyacinth***

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

**Bradley Kueffer**  
by the Family

**Bob Burger, Ralph & Fred Stegner & Ruth Berroth**  
by Jimmy & Roberta Pate

**Jerry McCarty**, by the Family

**Herbert & Ruby Kusgen**, by the Family

**Kevin Bird**, by the Family

**Nick & Trella Clennin**  
**Harold & Ruth Clennin**  
by Carla Clennin

**Richard Meisenheimer**, by the Meisenheimer Family

Feel free to take your flower home after  
worship this morning.

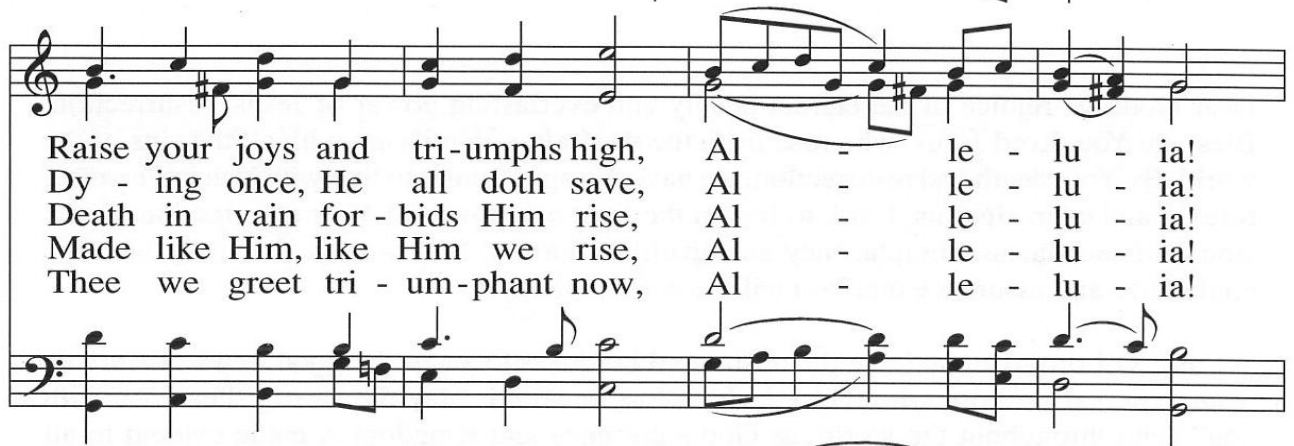
# Christ the Lord is Risen Today



1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!  
5. Hail the Lord of earth and heav'n! Al - le - lu - ia!



Sons of men and an - gels say: Al - le - lu - ia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise to Thee by both be giv'n, Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Dy - ing once, He all doth save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Death in vain for - bids Him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Thee we greet tri - um - phant now, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth re - ply: Al - le - lu - ia!  
Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
Christ has o - pened Par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Hail the Res - ur - rec - tion thou! Al - le - lu - ia!

## In the Garden

1. I come to the gar - den a - lone, While the  
2. He speaks, and the sound of His voice Is so  
3. I'd stay in the gar - den with Him Though the

dew is still on the ros - es; And the voice I hear,  
sweet the birds hush their sing - ing; And the mel - o - dy  
night a - round me be fall - ing; But He bids me go—

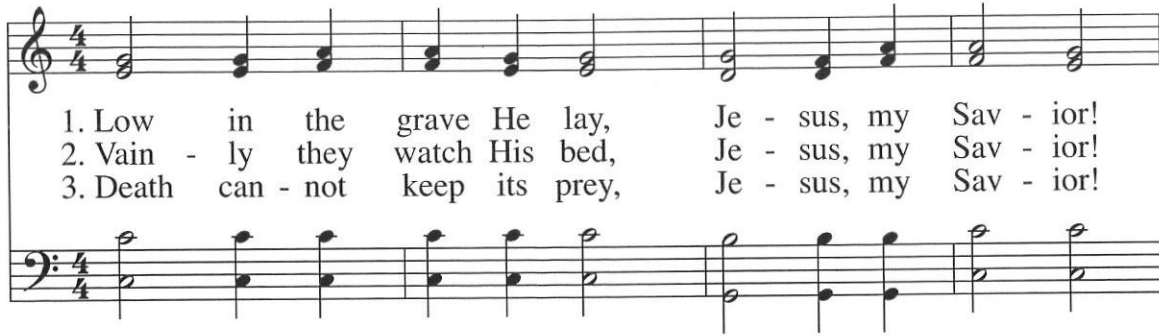
fall - ing on my ear, The Son of God dis - clos - es.  
that He gave to me With - in my heart is ring - ing.  
through the voice of woe, His voice to me is call - ing.

And He walks with me, and He talks with me,

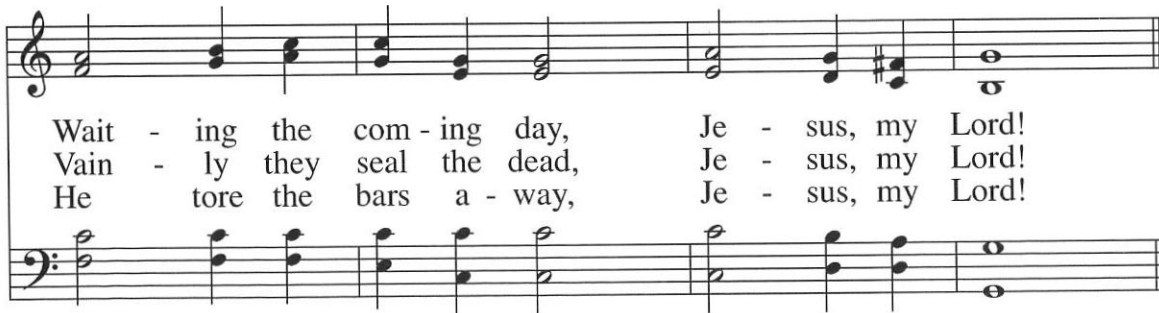
And He tells me I am His own, And the joy we share

as we tar - ry there, None oth - er has ev - er known.

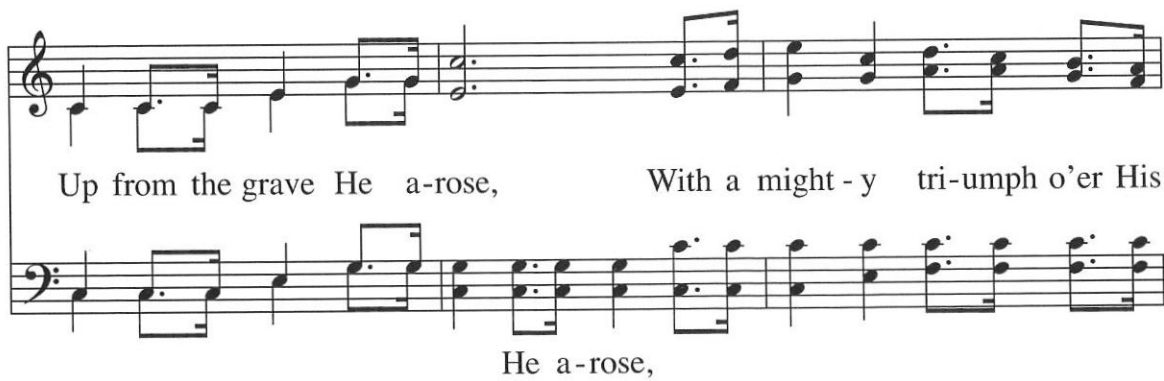
# Up from the Grave He Arose



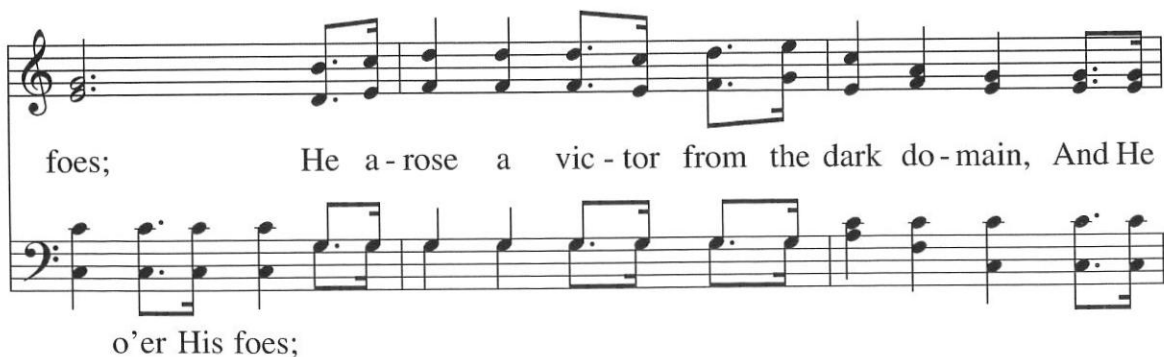
1. Low in the grave He lay, Je - sus, my Sav - ior!  
2. Vain - ly they watch His bed, Je - sus, my Sav - ior!  
3. Death can - not keep its prey, Je - sus, my Sav - ior!



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!

The first system of the musical score consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and contains the vocal line with lyrics: "lives for - ev - er with His saints to reign; He a-rose! He a-". The lower staff is in bass clef and contains the piano accompaniment. The music is in a key with one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The vocal line features a melodic line with some grace notes and a final note on a whole note. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in the left hand.

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

He a-rose!

The second system of the musical score also consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef and contains the vocal line with lyrics: "rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!". The lower staff is in bass clef and contains the piano accompaniment. The music continues in the same key and time signature. The vocal line has a melodic line with some grace notes and a final note on a whole note. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines in the left hand.

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son,  
our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy  
Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary; suffered  
under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,  
and buried; he descended into hell; the  
third day he arose again from the dead; he  
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the  
right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the  
quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the one  
Holy universal Christian Church; the  
communion of saints; the forgiveness of  
sins; the resurrection of the body; and the  
life everlasting. Amen.



## GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

## THE 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 debts,  
as we forgive our debtors.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power,  
and the glory for ever. Amen.



## DOXOLOGY

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.



## KYRIE

*Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
**Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.**  
*Minister: Christ, have mercy upon us.*  
**Congregation: Christ, have mercy upon us.**  
*Minister: Lord, have mercy upon us.*  
**Congregation: Lord, have mercy upon us.**