

†Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
His glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Benediction

Jim Hawkins

The tomb is empty,
Christ has risen.
As you journey in faith,
May your life be full,
Your love be abundant,
And your hope be eternal.
Live this day and always for Christ Jesus
Because the Risen Christ lives in you.
Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

*Welcome to the Community Sunrise Service hosted by Tryon Presbyterian Church, the
Congregational Church, and First Baptist Church Tryon.*

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The Worship of God
Sunday, April 1, 2018
First Service of Easter



John 19:40-42

Richard Kennedy

They took the body of Jesus and wrapped it with the spices in linen cloths, according to the burial custom of the Jews.
Now there was a garden in the place where he was crucified, and in the garden there was a new tomb in which no one had ever been laid.
And so, because it was the Jewish day of Preparation, and the tomb was nearby, **they laid Jesus there.**

Solo

Were You There

Jim Hawkins

Mary goes to the tomb

Jaime Fitzgerald

†**Response**

Were You There

WERE YOU THERE

Were you there when He rose up from the dead?
Were you there when He rose up from the dead?
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when He rose up from the dead?

Silence

Welcome

Jeff Harris

May the peace of the Risen Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! All creation, join to say Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids Him 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! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!

Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Easter Affirmation of Faith

Meghan Young

We believe in God – who brings Easter into our Good Friday worlds.

Easter turns doubts upside down, sets loose new possibilities, reveals a God stronger than death, a love mightier than despair.

We believe Easter brings us the risen Christ, who knows our wounds, forgives our denials, sends us out to love and serve; who is not bound by a period in history but finds us wherever we journey; who receives our questions, whispers a word of peace and causes our hearts to be warmed.

We believe Easter releases the Holy Spirit – the invisible presence of God at work in our world bringing reconciliation instead of hatred, creating communities of support in the face of senseless tragedy; causing us to walk with joy in our steps, hope in our hearts, and a song on our lips.

We believe in the power of resurrection at work in our world!

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Christ Arose!

CHRIST AROSE

Low in the grave he lay Jesus my Savior,

Waiting the coming day Jesus my Lord!

Refrain:

Up from the grave he arose, With a mighty triumph o'er his foes,

He arose a victor from the dark domain, And he lives forever with his saints to reign.

He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch his bed Jesus my Savior,
Vainly they seal the dead Jesus my Lord! (repeat refrain)

Death cannot keep his prey Jesus my Savior,
He tore the bars away Jesus my Lord! (repeat refrain)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Jeff Harris

John 20:1-18

Lesley Bush

Early on the first day . . . The stone had been removed. Removed! So she ran,

Oh, how she ran!

She ran . . . and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” They have taken the Lord! They have taken the Lord! and we do not know!

We do not know where they have laid him!

Then Peter and the other disciple set out . . . and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. He did not.

He did not go in.

Then Simon Peter came . . . and he saw and believed. He saw. He saw and believed.

Believed!

For as yet they did not understand the scripture . . . But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb.

Weeping.

As she wept . . . They said to her,

“Woman, why are you weeping?”

She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” . . . Jesus said to her,

“Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?”

Supposing him to be the gardener. . . Jesus said to her,

“Mary!”

She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her,

“Do not hold on to me.”

Do not hold on . . . Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; Announced! I have seen!

I have seen the Lord!!

And she told them that he had said these things to her.

Easter Meditation

Meghan Young