WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WORSHIP SUPPLEMENT FOR APRIL 20, 2025 - EASTER SUNDAY

Prelude

Christus Resurrexit

Forth He Came at Easter (8:30)

Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain, wheat that in dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

In the grave they laid him, Love who had been slain, thinking that never he would awake again, laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain;
quick from the dead the risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

"Forth He Came at Easter"
Text: John Macleod Campbell Crum, 1872-1958
Music: French Folk Tune
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The Lord Is Risen (He Is Risen Indeed) (11:00)

The Lord is risen! He is risen indeed!

Now the dark has passed away, Alleluia! Rise, O sun on Easter Day, Alleluia! Sing we to our God above, Praise eternal as God's love.

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

"The Lord Is Risen (He Is Risen Indeed)"

Text: Charles Wesley, adapted Helen Kemp

Music: 15th century Bohemian carol, arr. Helen Kemp

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King of Kings

VERSE 1

In the darkness we were waiting, without hope, without light, till from heaven you came running; there was mercy in your eyes. To fulfil the law and prophets, to a virgin came the Word from a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt.

CHORUS

Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one. God of Glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of kings.

VERSE 2

To reveal the kingdom coming and to reconcile the lost, to redeem the whole creation you did not despise the cross.

For even in your suffering, you saw to the other side; knowing this was our salvation, Jesus, for our sake you died.

CHORUS

Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one.
God of Glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of kings.

VFRSF 3

And the morning that you rose, all of heaven held its breath till that stone was moved for good, for the Lamb had conquered death.

And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe, for the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored.

VERSE 4

And the church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame. Now this gospel truth of old shall not kneel, shall not faint.

By his blood and in his name, in his freedom I am free, for the love of Jesus Christ who has resurrected me.

CHORUS

Praise the Father, praise the Son, praise the Spirit, three in one. God of Glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of kings.

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"King of Kings"

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

VERSE 1

"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!

VERSE 2

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia! where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Dying once, he all doth save; Alleluia! where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

VERSE 3

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!

VERSE 4

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!

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Text: Charles Wesley, 1739 Music: Lyra Davidica, 1708 (EASTER HYMN) Public Domain

Now Is Christ Risen from the Dead (8:30 – Verse 2 only) (11:00 – All verses)

VERSE 1

Now is Christ risen from the dead, now are the powers of darkness fled, Alleluia! Alleluia! Gone is the night of sin and gloom,
Jesus is risen from the tomb
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

VERSE 2

Now is Christ risen from the dead, he who his blood for sinners shed, Alleluia! Alleluia! In him who died to bear our sins our resurrection life begins, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

VERSE 3

Now is Christ risen from the dead, risen and reigning as he said, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise him who light and life restored, Praise him our ever-living Lord, Alleluia! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

"Now Is Christ Risen from the Dead"
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The Strife Is O'er (11:00)

The strife is o'er, the battle done; now is the Victor's triumph won; O let the song of praise be sung: Alleluia!

Death's mightiest pow'rs have done their worst, and Jesus hath his foes dispersed; let shouts of praise and joy outburst: Alleluia!

On the third morn he rose again glorious in majesty to reign;
O let us swell the joyful strain:
Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee from death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may live, and sing to thee:

Alleluia!

"The Strife Is O'er"

Text: 7th century Latin hymn, trans. Francis Pott =, 1832-1909

Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1591; adapted William Henry Monk, 1861 (VICTORY)

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Thine Is the Glory

VERSE 1

Thine is the glory, risen, conquiring Son; endless is the victiry thou o'er death hast won; angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded graveclothes where thy body lay.

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

VERSE 2

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom; let his church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing, for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

VFRSF 3

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan with thy power and love.

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son; endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

"Thine Is the Glory" Text: Edmund L. Budry, 1884; translated by Richard B. Hoyle, 1923 Music: George Frederick Handel, 1747 Public Domain

Christus Victor (Amen) (11:00 only)

VERSE 1

O Most High, King of the ages, great I AM, God of wonders; by the blood you have redeemed us, led us through mighty waters; our strength, our song, our sure salvation.

CHORUS 1

Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power; for the battle you have won: Hallelujah! Amen!

VERSE 2

O Most High, dwelling among us, Son of Man sent for sinners; by your blood you have redeemed us, spotless Lamb, mighty Savior who lived, who died, who rose victorious.

CHORUS 2

Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power; for the battle you have won: Hallelujah! With every tribe and every tongue we join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son: Hallelujah! Amen!

VERSE 3

O Most High, King of the nations, robed in praise, crowned with splendor; on that day who will not tremble when you stand: Christ the Victor, who was, and is, and is forever.

CHORUS 2

Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power; for the battle you have won: Hallelujah! With every tribe and every tongue we join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son: Hallelujah! Amen!

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Amen, amen, amen! Amen, amen, amen! Amen, amen, amen!

CHORUS 2

Now to the Lamb upon the throne be blessing, honor, glory, power; for the battle you have won: Hallelujah! With every tribe and every tongue we join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son: Hallelujah! Amen!

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Sing the victory of the Lamb: Hallelujah! Amen!

"Christus Victor (Amen)"

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Postlude

Easter Postlude on "Handel"