The tomb stands empty, The stone was rolled away. Darkness has vanished, The night has turned to day.

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

- Hear the good news: the grave is empty!
- » Hallelujah!
- > Hear the good news: Christ is risen!
- » Hallelujah! He is risen indeed!
- Where, O Death, is your victory? Where, O Death, is your sting?
- » Death has been swallowed up in victory!
- > Jesus said: I am the resurrection and the life.
 The one who believes in me will live, even though they die.
- » Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!
- > Christ is risen!
- » He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

"CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY"

"KING OF KINGS"

GREETING OF PEACE

OUR OFFERINGS | FROM 1 CHRONICLES 29:14

- Lord, who are we that we are able to give so generously?
- » For all things come from you and what we now offer is already yours.

OFFERTORY | "RISEN INDEED!" (POTE)

Christ is risen, Christ is risen, alleluia!

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, he is risen.

Lift up your voices; sing alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is risen indeed, he is risen from the dead.

He is alive, he is alive, alleluia!

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, he is risen.

Lift up your voices; sing alleluia, alleluia!

He died for us, our sinful souls to save.

Now he is risen, risen from the grave.

The tomb stands empty, the stone was rolled away. Darkness has vanished, the night has turned to day. Jesus will meet us when our death is near. He gives us hope eternal. We need not fear!

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, he is risen. Lift up your voices; sing alleluia! Christ is risen, is risen, risen indeed. Christ is risen, Christ is risen.

Alleluia!

"DOXOLOGY"

SCRIPTURE READING | JOHN 20:1-18

SERMON | "THE RISEN KING" (COREY WIDMER)

PRAYERS FOR RESURRECTION TO COME

» Sing together:

O come to the altar; the Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ!

- Risen Lord, we need your resurrection power to bring new life in us. The shadow of death persists among us. It drives us from you, from our neighbor, and from our best selves. Come revive our broken bodies and sinful hearts. Help us to hear the promptings of your Spirit, the same Spirit who raised you from the dead, who lives in us.
- » O come to the altar; the Father's arms are open wide. Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ!
- Risen Lord, we need your resurrection power to bring new life to our city and nation filled with violence, disease, and division. Hear the pleas of the poor, the sick, the forgotten, and the overlooked. Grant our leaders wisdom and strength to know and do your will, and fill them with the love of truth and righteousness. Bring life where there is death, faithful one who redeems all things.
- » O come to the altar; the Father's arms are open wide.
 Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ!
- Risen Lord, let your resurrection at last be worked through all the fabric of creation, till every fiber, every atom, every particle in play, is bathed in holy light, consecrated forever as your own. Till every sorrow we've sustained is redeemed, restored, renamed; till ones we've loved and lost and grieved are joined to us again; till all the brokenness that breaks our world is by your word made whole.
- » O come to the altar; the Father's arms are open wide.
 Forgiveness was bought with the precious blood of Jesus Christ!

COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION | FROM HEBREWS 13:20-21

- May the God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the eternal covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.
- » Amen.
- > Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
- » Thanks be to God. Christ is risen! Hallelujah!
- "HALLELUJAH" FROM MESSIAH (HANDEL)

POSTLUDE

Thanks for being here today! Join us downstairs between services for coffee and donuts, and stop by the Welcome Desk to learn more about Third Church, find ways to connect to our community, and ask any questions that you may have. If you want to join us again next week, our services are at 8:45 and 11:00 a.m.

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