

Congregational Singing: "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"

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VERSE 1

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone. Christ alone!
What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong.
Who holds our days within His hand?
What comes, apart from His command?
And what will keep us to the end?
The love of Christ in which we stand.

CHORUS

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal.
O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess
Christ, our hope in life and death.

VERSE 2

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good. God is good!
Where is His grace and goodness known?
In our great Redeemer's blood.
Who holds our faith when fears arise?
Who stands above the stormy trial?
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? [sing CHORUS]

VERSE 3

Unto the grave, what shall we sing?
"Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!"
And what reward will heaven bring?
Everlasting life with Him.
There we will rise to meet the Lord,
Then sin and death will be destroyed,
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore. [sing CHORUS]

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Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

Closing Thoughts and Announcements



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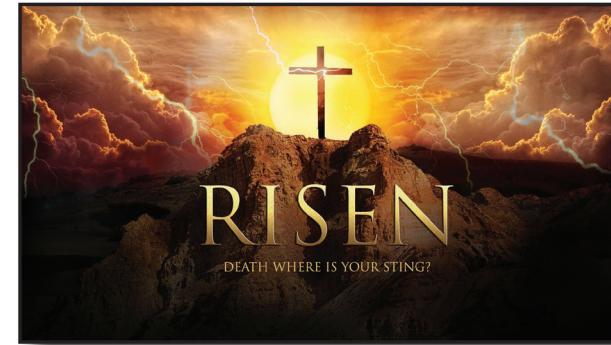
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Scripture Reading – Mark 16:1-6

Aaron Blumer

Congregational Singing: "Christ Arose!" Hymn 357
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VERSE 1

Low in the grave He lay – Jesus, my Savior!
Waiting the coming day – Jesus, my Lord!

CHORUS

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!

VERSE 3

Death cannot keep his prey – Jesus, my Savior!
He tore the bars away – Jesus, my Lord! [sing CHORUS]

Call to Worship

Pastor Kevin Morris

Congregational Singing: "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Hymn 367
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VERSE 1

Christ the Lord is ris'n today. Al – le – lu – ia!
Sons of men and angels say: Al – le – lu – ia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high. Al – le – lu – ia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Al – le – lu – ia!

VERSE 3

Love's redeeming work is done. Al – le – lu – ia!
Fought the fight, the battle won. Al – le – lu – ia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise. Al – le – lu – ia!
Christ has opened paradise. Al – le – lu – ia!

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VERSE 4

Soar we now where Christ has led. Al – le – lu – ia!
Foll’wing our exalted Head. Al – le – lu – ia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise. Al – le – lu – ia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Al – le – lu – ia!

Scripture Reading – Luke 24:36-48

Aaron Blumer

Congregational Singing: “Behold Our God” Grace Hymn 126

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VERSE 1

Who has held the oceans in His hand?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice.
All creation rises to rejoice!

CHORUS

Behold our God seated on His throne.
Come let us adore Him!
Behold our King. Nothing can compare!
Come let us adore Him!

VERSE 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds? [sing CHORUS]

VERSE 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God Eternal, humbled to the grave!
Jesus, Savior! Risen now to reign! [sing CHORUS 2x]

Scripture Reading and Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Alex Metras

1 Corinthians 15:20-26

Offertory — Congregational Singing: “The Power of the Cross”

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VERSE 1

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day —
Christ on the road to Calvary,
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

CHORUS A

This the power of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand forgiven at the cross.

VERSE 2

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev’ry bitter thought, ev’ry evil deed
Crowning Your blood-stained brow. [sing CHORUS A]

VERSE 3

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath
Quakes as its maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life.
“Finished!” the vict’ry cry. [sing CHORUS A]

VERSE 4

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,
For through Your suff’ring I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,
Won through Your selfless love.

FINAL CHORUS

This, the power of the cross: Son of God slain for us.
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

Message

Pastor Jerry Birkholz

GOD THE FATHER SHARES HOPE
THROUGH JESUS, A LIVING SAVIOR

Selected Scriptures

1. A REAL, PRESENT, LIVING SAVIOR — Romans 6:9,
1 Corinthians 15:20-22, Revelation 1:18;
Psalm 23:1; Matthew 11:28, 28:20, 1:23; John 8:58

2. A REAL, AUTHENTIC, SPIRITUAL SALVATION —
Acts 5:29-32, 1 Peter 1:3, 1 Corinthians 15:17

3. A REAL, SPIRITUAL ACCOUNTABILITY FOR EVERY MAN —
Acts 17:31, 1 Thessalonians 1:10, 2 Corinthians 4:14