

20 April 2025
Easter Day
Resurrection of the Lord
Alive in Christ: Ignite Hope!

Prelude		Roger Hintzsche
Video	"Amazing Grace"	AV
Call to Worship and Welcome	Psalm 118:1-2, 14, 17, 19, 22-24	Sheryl Sawyers
Easter Hymn	"Now the Green Blade Rises"	CCS 482
Invocation Response		Herb Brigham
Scripture Reading	John 20:1-18	Ashley Pozo
Prayer for Peace Peace Hymn	"He Came Singing Love"	CCS 226
<i>Light the peace candle.</i> Peace Prayer		Olivia Liddell
Ministry of Music	"Wonderful Merciful Savior"	Katherine Ackley
Video	"The Dawn of Hope"	AV
Ministry of the Spoken Word	Based John 20: 1-18	Blake Smith
Reading	"An Easter Prayer: Awaken Hope," by Joyce Rupp	Sylvia Elrod/Jayne Ackley
Disciples' Generous Response Generosity Hymn Receiving of Donations, Local and Worldwide Mission Tithes	"For the Life that You Have Given"	Julie Snethen CCS 619
Blessing and Receiving of Donations, Local and Worldwide Mission Tithes		
Hymn of Exclamation: Alive in Christ!"I Know That My Redeemer Lives!"		CCS 34
Prayer of Blessing		Sheryl Sawyers
Hymn of Response	"May the God of Hope"	CCS 652
Postlude		Roger Hintzsche

Risen One: Send us forth as disciples of your unwavering love and messengers of your unlimited joy!

“Now the Green Blade Rises” CCS 482

Now the green blade rises 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 arising green.

In the grave they laid him, Love by hatred slain,
thinking that he would never wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
raised from the dead, my living Lord is seen;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

When our hearts are wint’ry, grieving, or in pain,
your touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;
Love is come again like wheat arising green.

“He Came Singing Love” CCS 226

He came singing love and he lived singing love;
he died singing love. He arose in silence.
For the love to go on we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

He came singing faith and he lived singing faith;
he died singing faith. He arose in silence.
For the faith to go on we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

He came singing hope and he lived singing hope;
he died singing hope. He arose in silence.
For the hope to go on we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

He came singing peace and he lived singing peace;
he died singing peace. He arose in silence.
For the peace to go on we must make it our song;
you and I be the singers.

“For the Life that You Have Given” CCS 619

For the life that you have given,
for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and labor,
with these gifts that are your own:
here we offer, Lord, our praises;
heart and mind and strength we bring;
give us grace to love and serve you,
living what we pray and sing.

“I Know That My Redeemer Lives!” CCS 34

I know that my Redeemer lives!
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, he lives who once was dead;
he lives, my everlasting Head!

He lives to bless me with his love;
he lives to plead for me above;
he lives my hungry soul to feed;
he lives to help in time of need.

He lives to silence all my fears;
he lives to wipe away my tears.
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
he lives, all blessings to impart.

He lives and grants me daily breath;
he lives and I shall conquer death.
He lives my mansion to prepare;
he lives to bring me safely there.

He lives, all glory to his name;
he lives, my Savior still the same;
what joy this blest assurance gives—
I know that my Redeemer lives!

“May the God of Hope” CCS 652

May the God of hope go with us every day,
filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
bringing light and hope to every land and race.

Praying, let us work for peace,
singing, share our joy with all,
working for a world that's new,
faithful when we hear Christ's call.
