

First Christian Reformed Church  
Sunday, April 12, 2020  
~ Easter Sunday ~

10:15 Prelude

~ Cheryl K - organ, Nancy Z – piano

Welcome

**Call to Worship:** *based on 1 Peter 1:3-5*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**He has given us new life and hope.**

**He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own.

**He has brought us out of darkness.**

**He has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

***Christ the Lord is Risen Today*** #289:1,2,3 (HFG)

~ Valerie A – trumpet

Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia!

Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth, reply: Alleluia!

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!

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!

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***He Arose*** #298:1,3 (HFG)

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!

Death could not keep his prey, Jesus, my Savior!

He tore the bars away, Jesus, my Lord! *Refrain*

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**Easter Story:** *Luke 24:1-12*

~ Zach W

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ,  
his only begotten Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary;  
suffered under Pontius Pilate;  
was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell;  
the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended to heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father almighty;  
from there he shall come to judge  
the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit.  
I believe in a holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. AMEN.

## Morning Prayer

**Scripture:** *Matthew 28:1-10 (ESV)*

<sup>1</sup>Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. <sup>2</sup>And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. <sup>3</sup>His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.

<sup>4</sup>And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. <sup>5</sup>But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. <sup>7</sup>Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." <sup>8</sup>So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. <sup>9</sup>And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him. <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me."

**Message:** *Just As God Said*

**He Lives** #299:1,3 (HFG)

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today;  
I know that He is living, whatever men may say;  
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,  
And just the time I need Him He's always near.

**Refrain:** He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!  
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.  
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian lift up your voice and sing  
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!  
The Hope of all who seek Him the Help of all who find,  
None other is so loving, so good and kind.

*Refrain:* He lives, He lives, Christ Jesus lives today!  
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## **God's Blessing**

**Offering:** Part of worship is giving. The offering this week is for the Building the Future Fund.  
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[At this time we encourage you to continue in home worship. Begin with prayer, taking time to pray for the many needs around us. Google a couple of your favorite hymns or songs, play them on your computer and listen or sing along. Re-read the morning Scripture text and spend some time reflecting on the message and discussing its implications and applications in our life.]