

COLD SPRINGS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
2550 Cold Springs Road
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SUNRISE SERVICE

Sunday, April 9, 2023
7:30am

Easter Sunrise Service

Welcome

Responsive Reading The Resurrection Story Luke 24:1-9

Leader: On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.

People: **They found the stone rolled away from the tomb.**

Leader: but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.

People: **While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.**

Leader: In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them,

People: **“Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; He is risen!**

Leader: Remember how He told you, while He was still with you in Galilee: “The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.””

People: **Then they remember His words. When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others.**

Responsive Reading Easter Prayer

Leader: The world is full of turmoil and unrest.

People: **He is risen!**

Leader: We want to help, but we don't know where to start.

People: **Take heart, He has overcome the world!**

Leader: You prayed for the unity of your church, but we are not unified.

People: **He is risen!**

Leader: We long to be a vibrant, healing community of faith.

People: **He who began a good work in you is faithful to complete it.**

Leader: My heart is full of turmoil and unrest.

People: He is risen!

Leader: I need your power inside of me.

People: In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Leader: He is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Song

“Up from the Grave He Arose”

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!

Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior;
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Chorus

Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior,
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

Chorus

Scripture

1 Corinthians 15: 55-58

Easter Sunday Reading

An Easter Prayer

Song

“He Lives”

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.

Chorus:

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.

In all the world around me I see his loving care,
And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair.
I know that he is leading through all the stormy blast;
The day of his appearing will come at last.

Chorus

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.

Chorus

Responsive Reading

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me won't walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.” The light of Christ rises in glory, overcoming the darkness of sin and death. Christ is Risen!

People: **Christ is our light! Christ is Risen! Alleluia!**