

# Full to the Brim

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life*

**Easter Sunday**  
**April 17, 2022**



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# Welcome

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# Hymn of Centering

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

UMH Hymn No. 302 vs. 1-4

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739

MUSIC (EASTER HYMN 77.77 D): *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

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**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, 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!**



Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where's thy victory boasting grave? Alleluia!



**Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**



# Call to Worship

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This day is not like any other day.  
*Today we slow down.*  
*Today we take it all in.*  
*Today we rest in good news.*  
This day is not like any other day.  
*Today we are singing.*  
*Today we are full to the brim.*  
*Today joy cannot be contained.*

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This day is not like any other day.  
***Today the stone was rolled away.***  
***Today the women saw the empty grave.***  
***Today we know—death does not win.***  
This day is not like any other day.  
***Alleluia! Amen.***



# Prayer of Confession and Words of Forgiveness

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*God of new life,  
we are a mixed bag.*

*We want to be full to the brim with hope and joy,  
but often we overflow with comparison and doubt.*

*We want to embody the resurrection,  
but often we'd rather stay the same than to  
begin again.*

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*We want to have the courage to be like the women on that Easter morning—to run and speak truth, but often we are weary of courage and uncertain of our own voices. Forgive us for all the ways we remain unchanged. Break into our hearts. Overflow here. With hope we pray, amen.*

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Family of faith,  
if there is life after death,  
then you can be certain—  
there is life after mess.  
There is life after mistakes.  
There is life after doubt.  
There is new life freely given,  
and that life is for you.  
You are forgiven, loved, and claimed.  
May we live full to the brim in response.  
***Thanks be to God, and let it be so.  
Alleluia! Amen.***

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# Children's Time

Children are invited to come forward as parents are comfortable.  
Please note that those who come forward may be visible on the livestream.

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# Hymn of Preparation

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

UMH Hymn No. 327

WORDS: Matthew Bridges, 1851, and Godfrey Thring, 1874  
(Rev. 19:12)

MUSIC (DIADEMAT, SMD): George J. Elvey, 1868

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**Crown him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne.  
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own.**



**Awake, my soul, and sing  
of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.**



Crown him the Lord of life,  
who triumphed o'er the grave,  
and rose victorious in the strife  
for those he came to save.

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His glories now we sing,  
who died, and rose on high,  
who died, eternal life to bring,  
and lives that death may die.

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**Crown him the Lord of peace,  
whose power a scepter sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease,  
and all be prayer and praise.**



His reign shall know no end,  
and round his pierced feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend  
their fragrance ever sweet.

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Crown him the Lord of love;  
behold his hands and side,  
those wounds, yet visible above,  
in beauty glorified.



**All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For thou hast died for me;  
thy praise and glory shall not fail  
throughout eternity.**

# Congregational Prayers

We now offer petitions of joy and concern from prayer cards.

Lord in your mercy... *hear our prayer.*

In gratitude let us pray to the Lord... *hear our prayer.*

Prayers lifted during this time are shared with our Prayer Chain, a group of individuals who have covenanted to being in prayer with and for our congregation.

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# The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.*



# Anthem

*A Joyful Eastertide*

Heritage Ringers

arr. by Anna Laura Page

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# Prayer for Illumination

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# Scripture Reading

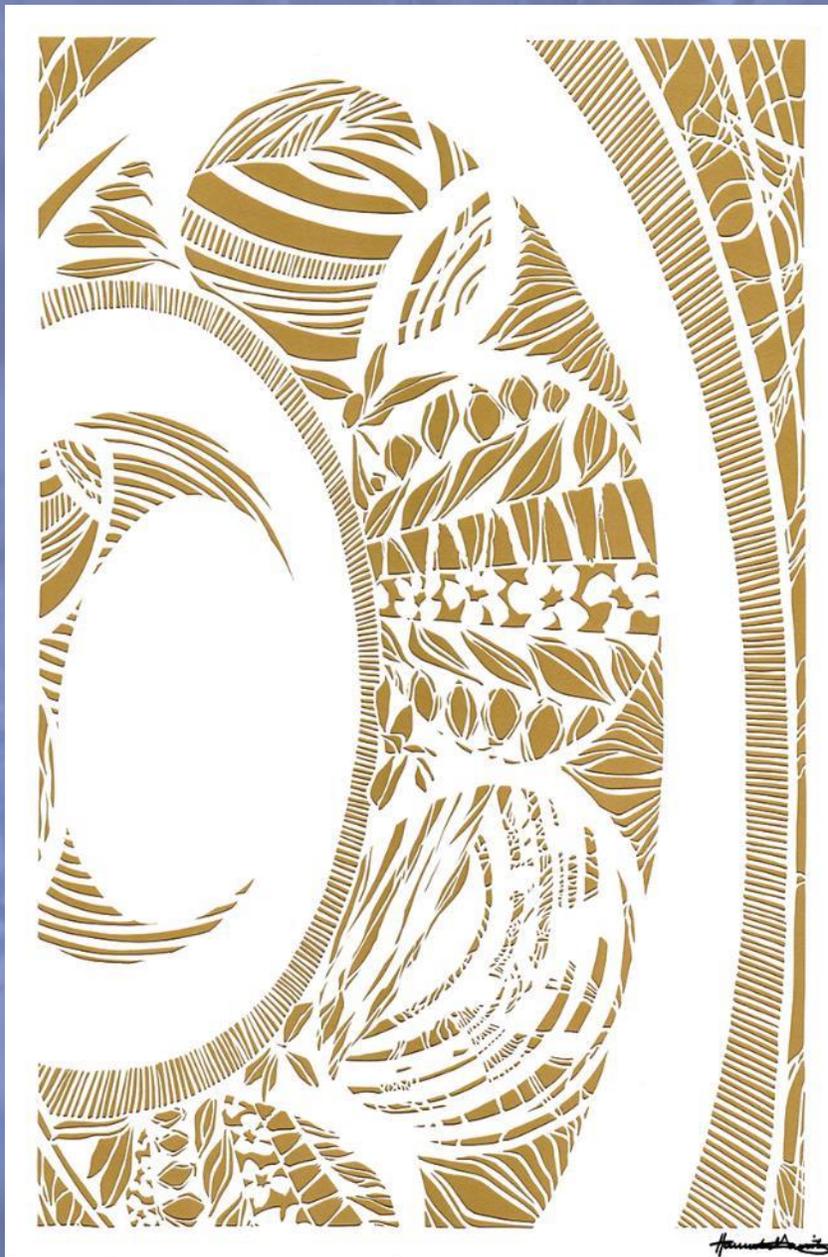
Luke 24:1-12

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But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. <sup>2</sup> They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup> but when they went in, they did not find the body. <sup>4</sup> While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. <sup>5</sup> The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.

<sup>6</sup> Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup> that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” <sup>8</sup> Then they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup> and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup> Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.

<sup>11</sup> But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup> But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.



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# Sermon

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# Poetry Reading

*New Life is Right Here*

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# Affirmation of Faith

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We believe in a God who can astound us—  
*a God who created the mountains of Colorado,  
the stars on a summer night, and the green of Ireland.*  
We believe in Jesus, whose example changes us—  
*an example of love for those on the fringes,  
healing for the sick, and welcome for the lonely.*  
We believe that Jesus was abandoned by his friends,  
wounded, mocked, and killed by the state.  
*And in a garden, three days later, we believe that  
life began again—  
the stone was rolled back, as death  
lost its sting.*

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Ever since that day, we believe the Spirit has been inviting us into an expansive life—  
*a life not measured by wealth or accolades, but a life full to the brim with joy overflowing with laughter, saturated in hope, and decorated with good news.*  
Death has lost its sting. We believe, and are set free.  
*Thanks be to God, amen.*

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# Hymn of Response

“In Christ Alone”

WS Hymn No. 3105

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In Christ alone my hope is found,  
he is my light, my strength, my song.  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.

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What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My Comforter, my all in all,  
here in the love of Christ I stand.

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**In Christ alone, who took on flesh,  
fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness  
scorned by the ones he came to save.**

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**'Til on that cross as Jesus died  
the [love] of God was satisfied;  
for every sin on him was laid.  
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

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There in the ground his body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain.  
Then bursting forth in glorious day,  
up from the grave he rose again!



**And as he stands in victory,  
sin's curse has lost its grip on me.  
For I am his and he is mine,  
bought with the precious blood of Christ.**



**No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
this is the power of Christ in me.  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.**

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**No power of hell, no scheme or plan  
can ever pluck me from his hand.  
'Til he returns or calls me home,  
here in the power of Christ I'll stand.**

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# Benediction

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# Postlude

*Toccata in G*

Theodore Dubois

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