

Oak Grove Church of the Brethren

April 12, 2020 • Easter Sunday

Prelude

Crown Him with Many Crowns

George Elvey

Call to Worship, based on Psalm 118

This is the day that the Lord has made,

We will rejoice and be glad in it!

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good

God's steadfast love endures forever!

Let the Oak Grove congregation say,

"God's steadfast love endures forever!"

The Lord is our strength and our might; Jesus has become our salvation.

We thank you, Jesus, that you have answered us and have become our salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone of our salvation

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Hymn

Christ the Lord is risen today

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Sharing our offerings

Glorious God, we rejoice in Jesus' victory over death! You raised him up to live forever. He left behind his linen wrappings—the shroud, his grave clothes. Robed in white, Christ leads us from darkness to light. Help us to follow him, leaving behind the things of our past that obscure our horizons. We dedicate these offerings as tokens of the breaking dawn of Christ. May our gratitude shine forth by our joyfully giving of our earthly goods. Amen.

Song (272)

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Wren/Arnatt

Hymn

This Easter Celebration

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Hearing from God's Word

Scripture

Matthew 28:1-10

Message

No more business as usual

Pastoral Prayer, with the Lord's prayer

Our Father in heaven, holy is your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Hymn

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Benediction

This Easter Celebration

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2020

Aurelia

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

1. This Eas - ter ce - le - bra - tion is not like ones we've known.
2. No gath - ered choirs are sing - ing; no ban - ners lead the way.
3. Our joy won't come from wor - ship that's in a crowd - ed room
4. In all the grief and suf - fer - ing, may we re - mem - ber well:
5. We thank you that on Eas - ter, your church is blessed to be

We pray in i - so - la - tion, we sing the hymns a - lone.
O God of love and prom - ise, where's joy this Eas - ter Day?
but from the news of wom - en who saw the emp - ty tomb.
Christ suf - fered cru - ci - fix - ion and faced the powers of hell.
a scat - tered, faith - ful bo - dy that's do - ing mi - ni - stry.

We're dis - tant from our neigh - bors— from wor - ship lead - ers, too.
With sanc - tu - a - ries emp - ty, may homes be - come the place
Our joy comes from di - sci - ples who ran with haste to see—
Each Eas - ter bears the pro - mise: Christ rose that glo - rious day!
In homes and in the pla - ces of help and heal - ing, too,

No flo - wers grace the chan - cel to set a fes - tive mood.
we pon - der re - sur - rec - tion and ce - le - brate your grace.
who heard that Christ is ris - en, and then, by grace, be - lieved.
Now no - thing in cre - a - tion can keep your love a - way.
we live the Eas - ter mes - sage by glad - ly serv - ing you.

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