

Forgive us for our demands.

**Be gracious to us and hear the longing found
within our prayers.**

Remind us that your light shines in all moments of life.
Give us eyes to see the light of your face shining on us, O God.

Let us feel the gladness you have placed in each of our hearts
—more plentiful than grain and wine—
And let us live out of that glad confidence.

In our waking and in our slumber, give us peace.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Easter People, whose light is found in Jesus our risen Christ,
may the light of God's face shine upon you in all that you say, do, think, feel,
and love. You have the light of God within you this day and always!
(please be seated)

SPECIAL MUSIC

**“In One Accord”
Zion Adult Choir**

Tunney\Schrader

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

WORD

PSALM Psalm 4 ~ Read responsively
The LORD does wonders for the faithful. (Ps. 4:3)

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;
you set me free when I was in distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²**“You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;
how long will you love illusions and seek after lies?”**

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful;
the LORD will hear me when I call.

⁴**Tremble, then, and do not sin;
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.**

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices,
and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶**Many are saying, “Who will show us any good?”
Let the light of your face shine upon us, O LORD.**

⁷You have put gladness in my heart,
more than when grain and wine abound.

⁸**In peace, I will lie down and sleep;
for you alone, O LORD, make me rest secure.**

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-7

Pew Bible NT, p. 247

God has loved us in order to make us children of God. Though we do not yet know the full details of our future existence, we trust that God will reveal it just as God revealed Jesus to take away our sins.

Word of God, Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

ALLELUIA *(please stand)* **“Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks”**

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.
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The holy gospel according to Luke chapter 24.

Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL

Luke 24:36b-48

Pew Bible NT, p. 92

In this account of an appearance after his resurrection, Jesus opens the minds of the disciples to understand him as Messiah. Jesus convinces them that he has been raised and sends them on a mission to proclaim the message of repentance and forgiveness.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ. *(please be seated)*

SERMON

Pastor Marcia

OFFERING SONG

“I Will Call Upon The Lord”

SONG OF THE DAY “Shine, Jesus, Shine”

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory;
Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, the light of your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
Set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory;
Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness, so our faces display your likeness,
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory;
Blaze, spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Madison Marie Chapin

OFFERING

The children are welcome to come forward and place their offerings in the “For Children Everywhere” box.

I will call upon the Lord
Who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from my enemies.
I will call upon the Lord.
The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
And let the God of my salvation be exalted.
The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock,
And let the God of my salvation be exalted.

I will call upon the Lord
Who is worthy to be praised.
So shall I be saved from my enemies.
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OFFERING PRAYER *(please stand)*

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread,
as you were made known to the disciples.
Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives,
that we may be your risen body in the world.
Amen.

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 and ever. Amen.**

SENDING

BLESSING

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, and water to give new life. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed!

You are the body of Christ raised up for the world.

Go in peace. Share the good news.

We will! Thanks be to God!

SENDING SONG

“Alive Forever Amen”

Let the children sing a song of liberation.

The God of our Salvation set us free.

Death where is thy sting? The curse of sin is broken

The empty tomb stands open come and see.

He's alive, alive, alive hallelujah,

Alive praise and glory to the Lamb.

Alive, alive, alive hallelujah,

Alive forever Amen.

Let my heart sing out, for Christ the One and only.

So powerful and holy, rescued me.

Death won't hurt me now because He has redeemed

No grave will ever keep me from my King.

He's alive, alive, alive hallelujah,

Alive praise and glory to the Lamb.

Alive, alive, alive hallelujah,

Alive forever Amen.

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