NEW LIFE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

10:45 a.m.

April 4, 2021

EASTER SUNDAY

MORNING WORSHIP

Rev. Mark Byrd

"Can I Get A Witness!?!""

PROCESSIONAL GATHERING CALL

Christ the Lord is Risen Today Luke 24:34 (adapted)

ALLELUIA!!! ALLELUIA!!! Christ the Lord is risen today!

¡¡¡Aleluya!!! ¡¡¡Aleluya!!! ¡Cristo el Señor ha resucitado hoy!

He is risen indeed! ¡Él ha resucitado! ¡¡¡Aleluya!!! ¡¡¡Aleluya!!!

HOLY COMMUNION

One: The Lord is with you!

All: And also with you!

One: Lift up your hearts!

All: We lift them up to the Lord!
One: Let us give thanks to the Lord!

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise!

All: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is the One Who comes in the Name of

The Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!

Proclamation of our faith:
All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ shall come again.
Hallelujah

OUR VISION:

We Are... ORDINARY PEOPLE
Somos... PERSONAS REGULAR

Believing... GOD'S LOVE IS FOR ALL

Creemos... EL AMOR DE DIOS ES PARA TODOS

Called To... REVEAL GOD'S PRESENCE IN

EVERYONE

Llamados...

A REVELAR PRESENCIA DE DIOS EN TODO Y TODO

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:1-18

Early in the morning of the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. She ran to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they've put him." Peter and the other disciple left to go to the tomb. They were running together, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and was the first to arrive at the tomb. Bending down to take a look, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he didn't go in. Following him, Simon Peter entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there. He also saw the face cloth that had been on Jesus' head. It wasn't with the other clothes but was folded up in its own place. Then the other disciple, the one who arrived at the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. They didn't vet understand the scripture that Jesus must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to the place where they were staying. Mary stood outside near the tomb, crying. As she cried, she bent down to look into the tomb. She saw two angels dressed in white, seated where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and one at the foot. The angels asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" She replied, "They have taken away my Lord, and I don't know where they've put him." As soon as she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she didn't know it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who are you looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him and I will get him." Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabbouni" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Don't hold on to me, for I haven't yet gone up to my Father. Go to my brothers and sisters and tell them, 'I'm going up to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." Mary Magdalene left and announced to the disciples. "I've seen the Lord." Then she told them what he said to her.

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NLMCC Song Sheet

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EASTER PROCESSIONAL Christ the Lord is Risen Today

V1: 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!

V2: 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!

V3: 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!

GATHERING CALL

Choral Response: *He 'Rose* V1: They crucified my Savior, And nailed him to the cross. (3 Xs) And the Lord will bear my spirit home.

R: He 'rose, he 'rose, he 'rose from the dead, (3 Xs)
And the Lord shall bear my spirit home.

V2: Joseph begged his body And laid it in the tomb...

V3: Mary, she came running, Alooking for my Lord...

V4: An angel came from heaven And rolled the stone away... (R)

WELCOME

READING OF THE SCRIPTURE John 20:1-18

Choral Response: **Ain't No Grave** V1: Shame is a prison as cruel as a grave, Shame is a robber and he's come to take my name, Love is my redeemer lifting me up from the ground, Love is the power where my freedom song is found

C1: There ain't no grave gonna hold my body down, There ain't no grave gonna hold my body down, When I hear that trumpet sound, I'm gonna rise up out of the ground, There ain't no grave gonna hold my body down

V2: Fear is a liar with a smooth and velvet tongue, Fear is a tyrant he's always telling me to run, Love is resurrection and love is a trumpet sound, Love is my weapon I'm gonna take my giants down

V3: There was a battle a war between death and life, There on a tree the Lamb of God was crucified, He went on down to hell He took back every key, He rose up as a lion, Now He's setting all the captives free

C2: There ain't no grave could hold His body down, There ain't no grave could hold His body down, When He heard the trumpet sound, He rose up out of the ground, There ain't no grave could hold His body down, There ain't no grave could hold His body down

CAN I GET A WITNESS

Choral Response:

Who'll Be A Witness

Who'll be a witness for my Lord? (3 Xs)

Who will be a witness for my Lord? (Yeah)

I'll be a witness for my Lord (3 Xs)
I will be a witness for my Lord

Solo 1 - Scott Giles

Then you'll be a witness for my Lord You'll be a witness for my Lord (2 Xs) You will be a witness for my Lord

CAN I GET A WITNESS (v1)

Choral Response:

He Lives

V1: 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

V2: 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

V3: 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

CAN I GET A WITNESS (v2)

Choral Response: He Lives
Chorus Only: 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

OUR PRAYERS TOGETHER

Rev. Alberto Najera & Minnie Whitehead (v3)

Choral Response:

Because He Lives

V1: God sent His Son they called Him Jesus. He came to love heal and forgive. He bled and died to buy my pardon. An empty grave is there to prove, My Savior lives.

C: Because He lives I can face tomorrow. Because He lives all fear is gone. Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living Just because He lives

V2: How sweet to hold our newborn baby, And feel the pride and joy he gives. But greater still the calm assurance, This child can face uncertain days Because Christ lives. V3: And then one day I'll cross that river. I'll fight life's final war with pain, And then as death gives way to vict'ry I'll see the lights of glory And I'll know He reigns

CAN I GET A WITNESS (v4)

Choral Response: He Lives
Chorus Only: He lives He lives
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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
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OUR EASTER OFFERINGS

Rev. Jim Whalen

Offertory

Sunrise

V1: I can see the dawn of a new day, I can see a new horizon. I remember all You've told me, I can feel my faith arising

PC: I have set my heart on who I know You are, Yeah I have set my sights on You, (Do what You want to do)

C1: I'm coming out of the midnight hour I'm, Coming out of the shadows I know, Ev'ry time I choose to lift my eyes, I see sunrise

V2: I have walked the lowest valleys, I have stood before the lions, You were with me in the trenches, You are greater than the giant

C2: I'm coming out of the midnight hour I'm, Coming out of the shadows I know, Every time I choose to lift my eyes, I see sunrise, I'm coming into the promised hope now, With the faith that I won't let go, Ev'ry time I choose to lift my eyes, I see sunrise

Congregational Response: **Doxology**

CAN I GET A WITNESS (v5) (v6)

Choral Response: **He Lives Chorus Only:** He lives He lives
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HOLY COMMUNION

Communion Meditation: **Redeemer**

V1: Who taught the sun where to stand in the morning, And who told the ocean you can only come this far And who showed the moon. Where to hide 'til evening. Whose words alone can catch a falling star.

C1: Well I know my Redeemer lives, I know my Redeemer lives, All of creation testifies this life within me cries, I know my Redeemer lives

V2: The very same God that spins things in orbit, He runs to the weary the worn and the weak, And the same gentle hands, That hold me when I'm broken

They conquered death to bring me victory

C2: Now I know my Redeemer lives, I know my Redeemer lives, Let all creation testify let this life within me cry, I know my Redeemer

B: He lives to take away my shame, And He lives forever I'll proclaim, That the payment for my sin, Was the precious life He gave, But now He's alive, And there's an empty grave

C3: And I know my Redeemer He lives, I know my Redeemer lives, Let all creation testify, That this life within me cries, I know my Redeemer

E: I know my Redeemer lives, I know my Redeemer lives, I know my Redeemer lives, He lives He lives

THE LORD'S PRAYER - unison

CLOSING SONG

Choral Response: I've got a feelin' I've Got a feeling' ev'rything's gonna be alright.

I've got a feelin' ev'rything's gonna be alright.

I've got a feelin' ev'rything's gonna be alright.

Be alright, be alright, be alright

The Holy Ghost done told me ev'rything's gonna be alright. The Holy Ghost done told me ev'rything's gonna be alright. The Holy Ghost done told me ev'rything's gonna be alright. Be alright, be alright, be alright

Jesus made a way and ev'rything's gonna be alright.
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