



Easter Sunday Sunday, April 20, 2025 9:30 am

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Praise Band – Sotaria

All Are Welcome!

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

To thank, praise, honor and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ as we **GATHER** and worship, **GROW** in the Word, and **SERVE** God by serving people.

WORSHIP PROTOCOL

- ♦ Please stay home if you are sick.
- ♦ Large print bulletins are available at the entry table.
- ♦ Ushers will direct you to your seat.
- ♦ After the benediction, please follow the instructions for dismissal.
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The sacrament of communion is celebrated at all worship services every Sunday. All are welcome, believing that our Lord is present offering grace and forgiveness. +

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GATHERING SONG

Lord I Lift Your Name on High

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way,
From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay;
From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky;
Lord, I lift your name on high.

Lord, I lift your name on high, Lord, I love to sing your praises. I'm so glad you're in my life, I'm so glad you came to save us.

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WELCOME PASTOR

Alleluia. Christ is risen. Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

PASTOR

In the name of \pm the One who was, who is, and who is to come.

Amen.

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, and called to live the baptized life, let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism. Holy God, we give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that make a people your own, that restore to wholeness, and empower us to be witnesses in your name. Baptized into you, O Living One, make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism,

waters that strengthen believers and give new life to beloved servants of your church; waters that extend your boundless love and cross barriers of our own making. Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

We give you thanks for the waters of baptism, waters that open the hearts of believers and give a voice in the night to those in captivity; waters that set your people on a new path, rejoicing in the Spirit's power.

Baptized into you, O Living One,

make us one as you are one.

Grant us grace, love, and life, O Living One, that our every day is shaped by these waters that give us our very lives in you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, the Crucified and Risen One.

OPENING SONG

Amen.

Did You Feel The Mountains Tremble

Did you feel the mountains tremble
Did you hear the oceans roar
When the people rose to sing of
Jesus Christ the risen One

Did you feel the people tremble Did you hear the singers roar When the lost began to sing of Jesus Christ the saving One

And we can see that God You're moving
A mighty river through the nations
When young and old will turn to Jesus
Fling wide you heavenly gates
Prepare the way of the risen Lord
Open up the doors and let the music play
Let the streets resound with singing
Songs that bring Your hope and
Songs that bring Your joy
Dancers who dance upon injustice

Do you feel the darkness tremble When all the saints join in one song And all the streams flow as one river To wash away our brokenness

And here we see that God You're moving
A time of jubilee is coming
When young and old return to Jesus
Fling wide you heavenly gates
Prepare the way of the risen Lord

Open up the doors and let the music play
Let the streets resound with singing
Songs that bring Your hope and
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SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN'S SONGS & HANDBELLS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

PASTOR

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43

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³⁴ Peter began to speak to [the people]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose

from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING

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Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

- ¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good; God's mercy endures forever.
- ² Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."
- ¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song, and has become my salvation.
- 15 Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:
- "The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!
- ¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD is exalted! The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"
- ¹⁷ I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD.
- ¹⁸ The LORD indeed punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death.
- ¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.
- ²⁰ "This is the gate of the LORD; here the righteous may enter."
- ²¹ I give thanks to you, for you have answered me and you have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejectedhas become the chief cornerstone.
- ²³ By the LORD has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING

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1 Corinthians 15:19-26

¹⁹ If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. ²¹ For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; ²² for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

GOSPEL Luke 24:1-12 PASTOR

¹ On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ 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. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² 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.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

SONG OF THE DAY

He Reigns

It's the song of the redeemed
Rising from the African plain
It's the song of the forgiven
Drowning out the Amazon rain
The song of Asian believers
Filled with God's holy fire
It's every tribe every tongue every nation
A love song born of a grateful choir

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns He reigns

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns (He reigns)

Let it rise above the four winds Caught up in the heavenly sound Let praises echo from the towers of cathedrals

To the faithful gathered underground

Of all the songs sung from the dawn of creation

Some were meant to persist

Of all the bells rung from a thousand steeples

None rings truer than this

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns He reigns

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns (He reigns)

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns He reigns

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns (He reigns)

And all the powers of darkness Tremble at what they've just heard 'Cause all the powers of darkness Can't drown out a single word

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns He reigns

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns (He reigns)

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns (He reigns)

It's all God's children singing Glory glory hallelujah He reigns (He reigns) NICENE CREED PASTOR

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,*who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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God of grace, hear our prayer.

OFFERING

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SHARING OF THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OFFERTORY SONG

Halle, Halle

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Halle, halle, hallelujah!

Halle, halle, hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

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OFFERING PRAYER

PASTOR

Risen One, you have gathered us around your table of grace along with these gifts we bring. Come among us again, breathe your life into us, and enliven us with this meal, that we may live as your risen body in the world. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you

And also with you

Lift up your hearts

We lift them to the Lord

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God

It is right to give our thanks and praise

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PASTOR

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 and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION PASTOR

COMMUNION SONGS

I Am the Resurrection

I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will never die
I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will live a new life

I have come to bring the truth I have come to bring you life If you believe then you shall live I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will never die
I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will live a new life

In my Word all men will come to know It is love which makes the spirit grow. If you believe, then you shall live

I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will never die
I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will live a new life

Keep in mind the things that I have said; Remember me in the breaking of the bread. If you believe, then you shall live.

I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will never die
I am the resurrection and the life
He who believes in Me
Will live a new life

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He's Alive

He is alive
He is alive
I can see above the clouds
And I can hear Him call my name out loud
He is alive
He is alive
He has come that I might have life
And more life than I have ever known
He is alive
He is alive
He is alive

He has promised power from on high To those who receive the Holy Ghost

He is alive

He is alive

Easter morning day is dawning Christ the King has won the victory

He is alive

He is alive

He is alive

He is alive

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Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

One day when heaven was filled with His praises
One day when sin was as black as could be
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin
Dwelt among men my example is He
The Word became flesh
And the light shined among us
His glory revealed

Living He loved me dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming O glorious day, O glorious day

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish despised and rejected
Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He
The hand that healed nations
Stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me

Living He loved me dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
O glorious day, O glorious day

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer

One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose over death He had conquered
Now He's ascended my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him
The grave could not keep Him
From rising again

Living He loved me dying He saved me
Buried He carried my sins far away
Rising He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
O glorious day, O glorious day, glorious day

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with His glories will shine
Wonderful day my beloved one bringing
My Savior Jesus is mine

Living He loved me dying He saved me Buried He carried my sins far away Rising He justified freely forever One day He's coming O glorious day, O glorious day, Glorious day, O glorious day.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

PASTOR

Living One, in this feast you have made yourself known to us. Send us now to tell of your wonders, sing of your glory, and proclaim your risen life to a wounded and weary world. **Amen.**

BLESSING PASTOR

The triune God, who was, who is, and who is to come, Sovereign, & Savior, and Spirit, light your way with resurrection dawn, now and always.

Amen.

CLOSING SONG

Allelu

Allelu! Allelu! Ev'rybody sing Allelu! For the Lord has risen it is true Ev'rybody sing Allelu!

God said he would send His Son, Allelu, Allelu And salvation would be won, Alleluia!

Allelu! Allelu! Ev'rybody sing Allelu!

For the Lord has risen it is true

Ev'rybody sing Allelu!

On the hard wood of the cross, Allelu, Allelu

He suffered and He died for us, Alleluia!

Allelu! Allelu! Ev'rybody sing Allelu! For the Lord has risen it is true Ev'rybody sing Allelu!

On the third day He did rise, Allelu, Allelu Now He lives no more to die, Alleluia!

Allelu! Allelu! Ev'rybody sing Allelu! For the Lord has risen it is true Ev'rybody sing Allelu!

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GOOD NEWS

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Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. In Christ you are made new. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!