

THE LORD'S DAY SERVICE  
***EASTERTIDE 2024***  
THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD



*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;  
To all who mourn and long for comfort;  
To all who struggle and desire hope;  
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;  
To all who sin and need a Savior;  
To all who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;  
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
And whosoever will come...*

*This church opens wide our doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. He is gentle and lowly in heart and draws near the broken-hearted.*



## WELCOME! AND START HERE....

Have you ever walked into a room and suddenly forgot why you were there? Most of us have at one time or another. This often happens on Sunday mornings when we walk into a church service. **Why am I here? What are we trying to do?** The answer is not always clear to us. We may come to church for many good reasons: Because our parents taught us to do so. Or out of habit. Or because our children need it. Or we may want to see our friends. We might even think it will be useful in some way socially or personally.

***So why are we here? What is the purpose of the Sunday church service?***

***In a word, we want to be shaped by the gospel.***

What we do and how we do it has a profound impact on who we are and what we are becoming. If you go to the gym and do the work, you will get into better physical shape. If you go to school and do the work, you will learn and grow intellectually. The same thing happens when we “go to church” and do the work of worship. ***Worship has the power to shape and form that part of us that is often hidden but is critically essential.*** The Bible often calls this our heart or our soul.

This is what the word liturgy means: the work. Most Christians gather to sing and pray and read the Bible along with other things. Many times, we simply go through the motions. And while that is not always a bad thing, if we want to do things well and to get the most out of our time, we need to be engaged and expectant in our worship.

The Bible gives us a pattern for worship: a way to be shaped and molded by the gospel itself; not unlike a dance. ***We’re called, cleansed, and consecrated by God. We have communion with him and then He commissions us to go and share his light and life with others.*** We try to rehearse this pattern each week in our service. Our hope is that we will get the gospel deep in our bones. That we will be shaped by God’s love for us in Jesus. You don’t have to understand everything the first time. You don’t have to perform or act like everything is just fine. We all need grace.

So, we’re glad you’re here. ***We believe the Bible is true, that grace is real, and that Christ speaks to every part of our lives. We are not a perfect church. But the gospel reminds us that we are perfectly loved by God.*** This is good news indeed. It is our hope and prayer that God will meet you today and give you more of himself.

## FLOWERING THE CROSS

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On Easter, children with their parents, older kids & anyone else are invited to flower the cross before worship.

### ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

MUSICAL PRELUDE

THE EASTER LESSON

CALL TO WORSHIP † — ADAPTED FROM ST. CHRYSOSTOM'S PASCHAL HOMILY

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Christ is risen! | **He is risen indeed!**

Christ the Lord is risen! | **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

O death, where is your sting?

**O Hell, where is your victory?**

Christ is risen, and Death is overthrown!

**Christ is risen, and the demons are fallen!**

Christ is risen, and the angels rejoice!

**Christ is risen, and everlasting life now reigns!**

Christ is risen! | **He is risen indeed!**

Christ the Lord is risen! | **He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

HYMN OF ENTRANCE †

*Hymn lyrics are available on pages 11 – 16. (Arranged Alphabetically)*

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PROFESSION OF FAITH †

From Heidelberg Catechism 45

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Let us declare the great mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

**By his resurrection he has overcome death, so we might share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. By his power we too are already raised to a new life. And Christ's resurrection is God's promised guarantee to us of our own glorious resurrection in the future.**

## REFLECTION AND PREPARATION ↓

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The prophet Isaiah helps us (30:15, 18) when he declared: “In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Yet the Lord longs to be gracious; therefore he will rise up to show his compassion. Blessed are all who wait for him!”. **This is your invitation:** observe a moment of stillness and contemplation of your need, so that you might be more prepared to repent and rest in His mighty and comforting grace.

## CONFESSION OF SIN ↓

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**Gracious Father, you sent your son, Jesus, to die and rise to new life to ensure the demise of death and open the way of true and unending life. Too often I have chosen to remain captive to my fears and doubts, and chased after things that lead to sorrow. In thought, word, and deed, I often overlook the poor and needy, ignore those who mourn and find myself indifferent to those asking for my help. Father, forgive me for Jesus’ sake. Enable me by your resurrection power to live no longer for myself alone but for Him who died and rose again for my good. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON ↓ — Taken from 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

*Why do we slow down to hear this each week? Because “You are forgiven” are some of the most wonderful words you could ever hear. God wants us, with all our hearts, to rest that in Christ He forgives all our sins and gives us new and unending life. Is there any better news in all the world? Do you believe you are forgiven? Ask him.*

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Brothers and sisters, I remind you of the gospel, which you have received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved. Let us not believe in vain but let us hold fast to this good news given to us. It is of first importance: that in accordance with the Scriptures, Christ died for our sins, he was buried, and he was raised on the third day. Therefore:

Death is swallowed up in victory.

O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

For our help is in the name of the Lord!

**The Maker of Heaven and Earth!**

O, Lord, open our lips!

**And our mouth shall declare your praise!**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; | Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above ye heav’nly host; | Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

## HYMNS OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING †

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### THE PEACE OF CHRIST

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May the peace of Christ always be with you. | **And also with you.**

Let us greet one another with a sign of His peace.

#### — CHILDREN’S CHURCH DISMISSAL —

If their parents desire, children ages 3–2nd grade will have the opportunity to leave during the service for children’s church. Children’s church kids will return after the sermon and before communion. Nursery, ages infant–3 years old, will be in classroom 4.

## REMEMBERING GOD’S MISSION

### REFLECTION + ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Who is Lakeway Pres?** — *Lakeway Pres is a patchwork of people woven by God into a spiritual family who make much of Jesus and his gospel in all of life. We help one another REST IN, REMEMBER, and REFLECT God's great love for us in Christ. We long for those to whom Love is a stranger would find God and us as generous friends.*

**What is the Gospel?** — *It is the verbal proclamation of what Jesus Christ has done and how we are reconciled with God. Through the person and work of His Son, God fully accomplishes salvation for us, rescuing us from judgment for sin, bringing us into fellowship with him, and then restoring the creation in which we can enjoy our new life together with him forever.*

### RECEPTION OF GIFTS

We have an Offering Box on the Welcome Table to receive any gifts. • **A great time to give as an act of worship is after communion as a response to God’s giving himself to us in Christ.** • **All checks should be made payable to Mission to North America & Memo: Lakeway Pres** For more information on supporting the church can be found on our website: [lakewaypres.org/give/](http://lakewaypres.org/give/) or you can speak with Pastor Chris about how you can support this mission work.

# RECEIVING GOD'S WORD

## THE PSALTER READING

We invite you to actively listen to the reading of God's Word from the Book of Psalms.

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE — *Concluded with The Lord's Prayer*

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**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be 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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

## THE SCRIPTURE READING †

## THE SERMON — **See insert for scripture and space for notes**

After the sermon while we await the return of kids from Children's Church, we will observe a quiet moment for reflection on the sermon and preparation to come to the Lord's Table.

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# FEASTING AT GOD'S TABLE

## TABLE QUESTIONS

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**WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?** – All who have been baptized and professed faith in Christ for the forgiveness of sins are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper here at Lakeway Pres.

**AM I READY TO PARTAKE?** – We receive this meal worthily when we trust Christ gave his body for the remission of our sins. We only have a right to the table by his merit and worth. While we ask those who do not meet the above conditions to refrain from this meal, we would love to have a conversation about faith in Christ with you.

**WHAT IF I HAVE DOUBTS?** – The Christian who doubts their standing before God should labor to have his doubts resolved. This brother or sister in Christ is especially encouraged to eat this feast, that they might remember Christ's great love and commitment for them.

**WHAT IF I AM NOT PARTAKING?** – Please with the pastor to learn more about what it means to move toward Christ in repentance and faith. If you desire it, you can come forward for prayer. You may also simply remain seated to pray and reflect on what you have heard and seen in the service. If you have them, please don't hesitate to ask questions. We will not be pushy but desire to help you process your understanding of the gospel and to discern God's calling you to himself.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING †

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The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God! **It is good and right to do so!**

It is very good and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **But we are chiefly bound to praise you for His glorious resurrection; for he is the Passover Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. Who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life.**

Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising you and singing:

## THE SANCTUS †

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**Holy (Holy), Holy (Holy), Holy Lord**

**Holy (Holy), Holy (Holy), God of power and might,**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the (Hosanna in the) highest.**

**Blessed (Blessed) is he (is he) who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the (Hosanna in the) highest,**

**Hosanna in the (Hosanna in the) highest,**

**Hosanna in the (Hosanna in the) highest. A-a-men!**

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this cup is the new covenant in my blood, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & INVITATION TO THE FEAST

We welcome all baptized Christians — who have publicly professed their trust in Jesus Christ for salvation and who are members of any church that proclaims the Gospel — to receive Holy Communion with us.

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We break bread in the name of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Together we declare the great mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Christ our Passover Lamb is sacrificed for us,

**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**



## HOLY COMMUNION

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*Two stations up front will receive small groups at a time.*

*We serve gluten-free bread, red wine, and white grape juice.*

*If you do not prefer the common cup, pass it on, and the trays of individual cups will follow.*

### **PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING**

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent and convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

### **PRAYER FOR HELP**

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Reveal yourself to me in such a way that I cannot ignore you. Help me move toward you in child-like trust. Amen.

### **PRAYER OF BELIEF**

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am sinful and weak, but through you I am loved and accepted. Thank you for taking my place and paying my debt. Because you bore my punishment on the cross, you now offer the full and free forgiveness of all my sins. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, unending life is mine now and forever. I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and King. Amen.

### **PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING**

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs. Help me turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely. Empower me to faithfully follow you in life and in death. Amen.

### **PRAYER OF GRATITUDE**

Our Father in heaven, you have put gladness in our hearts. You have satisfied our hunger with good things. In giving all, you have not withheld from us your own dear Son. How can we withhold anything from you? O Lord, renew us day by day with the gift of your Spirit. May we give ourselves wholly to your service and may we walk with assurance and joy in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## COMMUNION REFLECTION HYMN

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## SENDING HYMN

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### BENEDICTION † — **TAKEN FROM 1 PETER 2:9-10**

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Dear friends, you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

**Amen. Thanks be to God.**

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# DIRECTORY OF HYMNS

## CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD

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1. Let no one caught in sin remain | Inside the lie of inward shame  
But fix our eyes upon the cross | And run to Him who showed great love  
And bled for us | Freely You've bled for us

**Christ is risen from the dead | Trampling over death by death**

**Come awake come awake | Come and rise up from the grave**

**Christ is risen from the dead | We are one with Him again**

**Come awake come awake | Come and rise up from the grave**

2. Beneath the weight of all our sin | You bowed to none but heaven's will  
No scheme of hell no scoffer's crown | No burden great can hold You down  
In strength You reign | Forever let Your church proclaim

**B: O death where is your sting | O hell where is your victory**

**O church come stand in the light | The glory of God has defeated the night**

**Singing O death where is your sting | O hell where is your victory**

**O church come stand in the light | Our God is not dead He's alive He's alive**      REFRAIN

## CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

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1. Christ the Lord is risen today *alleluia* | Sons of men and angels say *alleluia*  
Raise your joys and triumphs high *alleluia* | Sing ye heavens and earth reply *alleluia*
2. 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*
3. Love's redeeming work is done *alleluia* | Fought the fight the battle won *alleluia*  
Death in vain forbids Him rise *alleluia* | Christ hath opened paradise *alleluia*
4. 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*

## CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

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1. 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

2. Crown Him the Lord of life | Who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife | For those He came to save  
His glories now we sing | Who died and rose on high  
Who died eternal life to bring | And lives that death may die
3. Crown Him the Lord of love | Behold His hands and side  
Rich wounds yet visible above | In beauty glorified  
No angel in the sky | Can fully bear that sight  
But downward bends each burning eye | At mysteries so bright
4. Crown Him the Lord of peace | Whose power a sceptre 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
5. Crown Him the Lord of years | The Potentate of time  
Creator of the rolling spheres | Ineffably sublime  
All hail Redeemer hail | For Thou hast died for me  
Thy praise shall never never fail | Throughout eternity

## FOREVER

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1. Give thanks to the Lord | Our God and King  
His love endures forever | For He is good He is above all things  
His love endures forever | Sing praise sing praise
2. With a mighty hand | And an outstretched arm  
His love endures forever | For the life that's been reborn  
His love endures forever | Sing praise sing praise

***Sing praise, sing praise***

**Forever God is faithful | Forever God is strong**

**Forever God is with us | Forever, Forever**

3. From the rising to the setting sun | His love endures forever  
And by the grace of God | We will carry on  
His love endures forever | Sing praise sing praise

**Refrain**

## GLORIOUS DAY

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1. I was buried beneath — my shame  
Who could carry that kind — of weight  
It was my tomb — 'til I met You

2. I was breathing but not — alive  
All my failures I tried — to hide  
It was my tomb — 'til I met You

**You called my name | and I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness | into Your glorious day  
You called my name | and I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness | into Your glorious day**

3. Now Your mercy has saved — my soul  
Now Your freedom is all — that I know  
The old made new — Jesus when I met You

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**B:** I needed rescue — my sin was heavy  
But chains break at the weight of Your glory  
I needed shelter — I was an orphan  
Now You call me a citizen of Heaven  
When I was broken — You were my healing  
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing  
I have a future — my eyes are open  
Cause when you called my name

**REFRAIN**

## IN CHRIST ALONE

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1. 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  
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

2. 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  
'Til on that cross as Jesus died | The wrath of God was satisfied  
For every sin on Him was laid | Here in the death of Christ I live

3. 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
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death | This is the pow'r of Christ in me  
 From life's first cry to final breath | Jesus commands my destiny  
 No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man | Can ever pluck me from His hand  
 'Til He returns or calls me home | Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand

### IS HE WORTHY?

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| 1. Do you feel the world is broken?                                 | <b>We do.</b>   |
| Do you feel the shadows deepen?                                     | <b>We do.</b>   |
| But do you know that all the dark                                   |                 |
| Won't stop the light from getting through                           | <b>We do.</b>   |
| Do you wish that you could see it all made new?                     | <b>We do.</b>   |
| 2. Is all creation groaning?  | <b>It is.</b>   |
| Is a new creation coming?   | <b>It is.</b>   |
| Is the glory of the Lord  |                 |
| To be the light within our midst?                                   | <b>It is.</b>   |
| Is it good that we remind ourselves of this                         | <b>It is.</b>   |
| <b>Is anyone worthy?   Is anyone whole?</b>                         |                 |
| <b>Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?</b>        |                 |
| <b>The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave</b>                    |                 |
| <b>He is David's Root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave</b> |                 |
| <b>Is He worthy?   Is He worthy?</b>                                |                 |
| <b>Of all blessing and honor and glory</b>                          |                 |
| <b>Is He worthy of this?   He is!</b>                               |                 |
| 3. Does the Father truly love us?                                   | <b>He does.</b> |
| Does the Spirit move among us?                                      | <b>He does.</b> |
| And does Jesus our Messiah  |                 |
| Hold forever those He loves ?                                       | <b>He does.</b> |
| Does our God intend to dwell again with us?                         | <b>He does.</b> |

**Is anyone worthy? | Is anyone whole?**  
**Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?**  
**The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave**  
**He is David's Root | And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave**  
**From ev'ry people and tribe | every nation and tongue**  
**He has made us a kingdom and priests | To God to reign with the Son**  
**Is He worthy? | Is He worthy?**  
**Of all blessing and honor and glory**  
**Is He worthy? | Is He worthy? | Is He worthy of this? | He is!**

## JESUS LIVES AND SO SHALL I

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1. Jesus lives and so shall I. | Death, thy sting is gone forever:  
He, who deigned for me to die, | Lives, the bands of death to sever.
2. Jesus lives and reigns supreme; | And, his kingdom still remaining,  
I shall also be with him, | Ever living, ever reigning.  
**He shall raise me with the just;**  
**Jesus is my Hope and Trust.**
3. Jesus lives! I know full well | Naught from Him my heart can sever,  
Life nor death, nor pow're of hell, | Joy nor grief, henceforth forever.
4. Jesus lives, and death is now | But my entrance into glory.  
Courage! Then my soul for thou | Hast a crown of life before thee;  
**Thou shalt find they hopes were just—**  
**Jesus is my Hope and Trust**
5. Death! Thy sting is gone forever! | He who deigned for me to die,  
Lives the bands of death to sever. | He shall raise me from the dust  
**God has promised; be it must:**  
**Jesus lives, my Hope and Trust.**

## KING OF KINGS

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1. In the darkness we were waiting | Without hope without light  
Till from Heaven You came running | There was mercy in Your eyes  
To fulfil the law and prophets | To a virgin came the Word  
From a throne of endless glory | To a cradle in the dirt

**Praise the Father | Praise the Son | Praise the Spirit three in one  
God of Glory | Majesty | Praise forever to the King of Kings**

2. To reveal the kingdom coming | And to reconcile the lost  
To redeem the whole creation | You did not despise the cross  
For even in Your suffering | You saw to the other side  
Knowing this was our salvation | Jesus for our sake You died

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3. And the morning that You rose | All of heaven held its breath  
Till that stone was moved for good | For the Lamb had conquered death  
And the dead rose from their tombs | And the angels stood in awe  
For the souls of all who'd come | To the Father are restored

4. And the Church of Christ was born | Then the Spirit lit the flame  
Now this Gospel truth of old | Shall not kneel shall not faint  
By His blood and in His Name | In His freedom I am free  
For the love of Jesus Christ | Who has resurrected me

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