

# Let's Worship



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Note: On the last page of this worship guide you will want to check out our tips to best enjoy the online experience. We know that singing is a challenge, even in-person! Experiment with what works for you. Sing along, or hum, or clap! You may just want to read the lyrics of the music! Lines in **bold** are intended for everyone to speak aloud. Our hope is that our online visit together is going to be one of Christ's more extravagant blessings! (Romans 15:29).

Prelude, Jayne McDonough, music director Welcome to everyone, by our transformation pastor, Rev. Kevin Yoho Music:



Call to Worship, Rev. Lawrence Moyer, liturgist

He is risen!

#### He is risen, indeed!

The Lord be with you.

#### And also with you.

The Resurrected Christ understands our disbelief, loves and receives us with all of our abilities and all of our disabilities, just as we are!

## He was wounded for our transgressions. By his stripes we are healed.

Christ is risen! We set our hearts on things above. Let us worship God!

Kid's Time: Capturing Joy in photos, drawings, or worksheets!

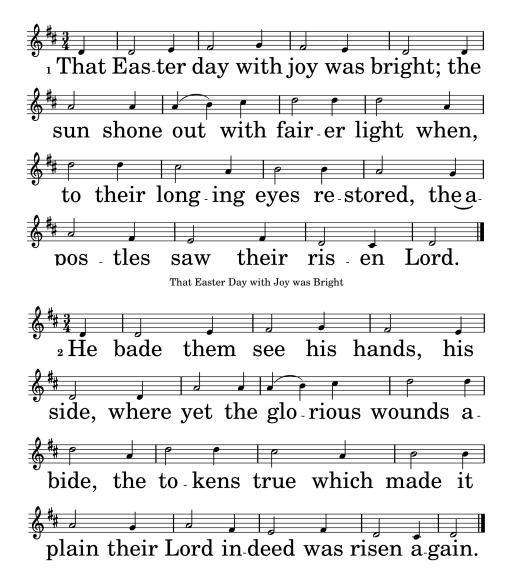
Message: Disbelief & Disability—Good News in A Wounded Savior. Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho, transformation pastor

John 20:26-28. A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"



Silent Reflection Music:

## That Easter Day with Joy was Bright



Call to Reconciliation: God loves you. God welcomes you. God sees you. Nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together, the Prayer of Forgiveness: O God, we have heard Jesus' teachings many times, but we confess that sometimes we think they are impractical, or we can't seem to understand how they fit our pandemic world. We let despair or anger take hold of us. We fail to keep our commitments to you and to others. We lack courage to follow Jesus' way of love. Forgive us for hurting or neglecting others, we pray. Help us to love and respect all, and embrace peace, love, and joy, welcoming all, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Reflection

Hear the Words of Assurance: In the name of Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, God loves and forgives us to live the resurrection life so that we show love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control, which is the fruit of the Spirit.

Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

The Gloria

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as itwas in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end, Amen.

Prayer for Illumination: (let's pray together saying...)

Loving God, we have heard your word proclaimed. As we listen to your Word, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. AMEN.

## Scripture Readings:

Psalm 16:1, 7-11. Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I keep the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure. For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the pit. You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

1 Peter 1:3-9. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith--being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire--

may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Amazing Grace (a capella)- solo, Rev. Larry Moyer

Giving in Gratitude: Thank you for showing God's love through acts of kindness, expressions of love, respect, and thoughtfulness. We also appreciate your financial support. Give using tithe.ly, or visit our giving page.



#### Prayers of the People:

May we who are merely inconvenienced, remember those whose lives are at stake.

May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable.

May those who have the luxury of working from home remember the 22 million unemployed and those who must choose between preserving their health or paying their rent.

May we who are consuming their savings remember those who have no savings at all.

May those who settle for quarantine at home remember those who have no home.

As fear grips our world, country, and neighborhoods, let us choose love during this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other, let us find ways to show love. During these times, energize and transform us through the gift of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Please post prayer requests and comments on our Facebook Live page!

Pray for: Ruth T, Beverly Mate's Nephew RJ, Maureen Evans (hospital with COVID-19), Vinny and Christina, Dr. Richard N. and others working the front lines. Children and teachers; Parents and guardians adjusting to a new way of doing school!; George S, Marge M, Lee O, Bob L, Myrna D, Leslie D, Leonard H, Herb W, Michael B, Anne F, The D Family, Paula K, Jade's Pop. Please pray for those who serve in the military: Cpt. Laura C, Cpt. Sean C, Pvt. William C, US Army, 2nd Lt Michael C, USAF, S. Sgt. Richard E, those suffering from head injuries. Birthday and Anniversary blessings are offered to Lillian Ridgway (4/19) Charles & Barbara Keister (4/20) Nancy & Guy Kessler (4/20).

## Let's say the Lord's Prayer together:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

# The Doxology:

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## Fresh Expression of Community

Once we were strangers, **Now we are neighbors.** 

Once we were strangers, Now we are friends.

# We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



Benediction, Rev. Kevin Yoho Postlude

# Thank you for being with us today and being a part of our mission!

Cold Spring Presbyterian Church energizes spirits and transforms lives. We deliver resources and experiences rooted in the Good News of Jesus Christ through inspiring worship, practical teaching from God's word, innovative programs, and community-focused events and ministry. Post your comments or questions online on how to get more connected. Find hope here.

Join us next week for Worship Online!



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## How can I prepare for worship online?

Set the environment in your home to allow you to focus, participate, and enjoy the service. If you can, print the resources for the service for each participant. Remember to print the children's handouts, too. Fix your coffee or tea, make sure everyone can watch, prepare your heart to receive from God. Be comfortable in your stay-at-home clothes!



## Share Your Worship Experience!

Once you and your family are ready, snap a pic or video to share with us! #ColdSpringChurch See the photo to the left of Lucas watching worship on his iPad! Jesus said, "I hear the children!" Help your kids to get involved... God is listening.

#### Shout-Out to the Kids!

This week, I will be asking the kids to take a photo of something that brings them joy while being quarantined! The stay-at-home restriction has been hard on kids and parents! Help you kids share a photo of playing games, using the kid's worksheet, reading, drawing, or making crafts.

Each online worship experience will have music to begin the service, a weekly message from God's word for you and for the children from our transformation pastor, Rev. Kevin Yoho. Share your prayer requests because God is present for all of us, and you will meet caring friends that will pray with you about things that matter in your life.

You have found a place to encounter God and people who care about you – just as you are, right where you are, anytime. We believe that everyone deserves to experience God's love in relevant and authentic ways, while keeping themselves and the community safe, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our thriving faith community puts God's love into action to help make greater Cape May a better place. We joyfully love and serve God and our neighbors through the power of the Holy Spirit in the name of Jesus Christ.

Cold Spring Church Online is a live video podcast from the historic Red Brick Church on our Cold Spring campus, with real-time communication through online chat, which you can choose to join if you want to connect with others watching. You may follow along during the worship experience starting on the next page! We hope your experience encourages you to stay connected each week. Thanks, again, for being with us!