

# Let's Worship

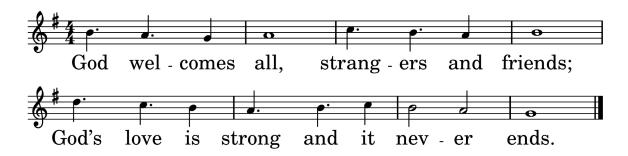


Hello. We're glad you've logged on <u>Facebook Live</u> (<u>www.facebook.com/coldspringchurch</u>) or dialedin for audio-only by calling: +1 301-715-8592. Then entering passcode: 277 095 8375# As you get settled, remember to post comments and prayer requests!

Note: Lines in **bold** can be said aloud. On the last page are tips to best enjoy the online experience. We know that singing is a challenge. Feel free to sing along, hum. or clap! Or, just read the lyrics! Our hope is that our time together today helps to connect and inspire your life!

Prelude, Jayne McDonough, music director Welcome everyone! Rev. Kevin Yoho, transformation pastor

## God Welcomes All



Music: God welcomes All, sing/read twice Call to Worship: Barbara Cain, worship leader

Friends, The Resurrected Christ understands what's happening to us and our world. God loves and receives us with all our joys, and also our disappointments, despair, or loneliness, just as we are!

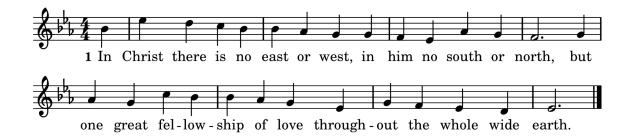
Open our hearts, gracious God, to receive your blessings today, and in the days to come.

He is risen!

## He is risen, indeed!

Music: In Christ There Is No East or West, sing once

## In Christ There Is No East or West



**Joy!** To the right are a few *Joy* photos from the Ludeman family. Keep sharing your photos, drawings, or activities that bring you joy while staying at home. Thank you!

Message for Kids: Feeling lost? Start with what you know.



Gospel Reading: Luke 24:13-24 (MSG)

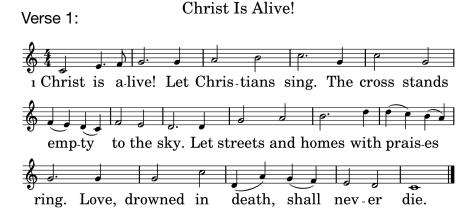
That same day two of them were walking to the village Emmaus, about seven miles out of Jerusalem. They were deep in conversation, going over all these things that had happened. In the middle of their talk and questions, Jesus came up and walked along with them. But they were not able to recognize who he was. He asked, "What's this you're discussing so intently as you walk along?" They just stood there, long-faced, like they had lost their best friend. Then one of them, his name was Cleopas, said, "Are you the only one in Jerusalem who hasn't heard what's happened during the last few days?" Jesus said, "What has happened?"



Message: What Has Happened?— Jesus. Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho, transformation pastor

Silent Reflection

Music: Christ Is Alive/Emmaus (Text: Copyright © 2009 Carolyn Winfrey Gillette. All rights reserved.)



Verse 2: Emmaus-bound on Easter Day, Two travelers walked along the way. They'd once had hope, but hope had died. When you, O Lord, were crucified.

Verse 3: When you appeared beside the two, They could not see that it was you; But as they talked and shared their pain, You gave them hope and joy again.

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 selfcontrol in our life every day, 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 it was 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. Now, as we listen to your word read, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. AMEN.

Old Testament Reading: Psalm 116:1-4 I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord:

"O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

New Testament Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-39 But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say.

Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him."

Silent Reflection



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 of Cold Spring Church's general ministry, and our Deacon's community ministry fund. You may want to try giving through tithe.ly, or our giving page.

As you are able to share, thank you for supporting the St. Barnabas food bank, area ministries, and Presbyterian mission.

Music: Stranger From Galilee, Barbara Cain

(Remember to share your prayer requests here.)

Prayers of the People: Please post requests on our <u>website</u>, or on our <u>Facebook page</u> comments. Pray for: Betty from the Ludeman Family (hospitalized, COVID-19), Officer Roberts (coma, COVID-19), Ewen B, Read Family (loss of their brother Joe), Barbara Cain's Cousin Ed and Elmer's Niece (COVID-19), Shirley W (broken back), Bess L, Ruth T, RJ, Maureen E (COVID-19, hospitalized), Vinny and Christina, Dr. Richard N. and others working on 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 us Pray:

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 saving their health or paying their rent.

May we who are able to live off our savings, remember those who have no savings at all. May those who must stay 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 experience joy and show love.

Energize and transform us through the gift of your son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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

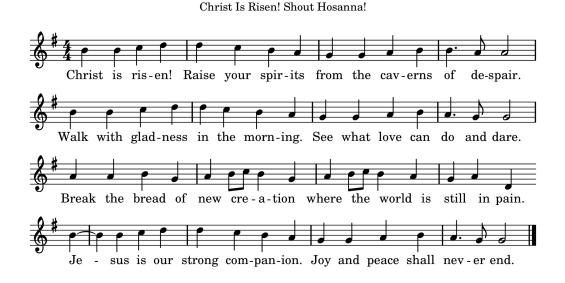
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power 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.** 

Music: Christ Is Risen, Shout Hosanna



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! And continue to share blessings and prayers on our <u>Facebook page</u>, and your expressions of gratitude and joy while staying at home!



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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!

Again this week, Pastor Kevin is 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 your kids, grandkids, share a photo of playing games, using the kid's worksheet, reading, drawing, or making crafts. Thank you!

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, New Jersey campus. Enjoy real-time communication through online chat while watching, or at the beginning and end of the dial-in ZOOM call. We hope your experience encourages you to stay connected each week. Thanks, again, for being with us!