



# Christ Is Rising!

April 11, 2021 — 10:30 AM

Second Sunday of Easter Sunday - WI-33 WO-58

A Hybrid Worship Experience In-Person and Online

Today's worship team—Music Director: Jayne McDonough,

Worship Leader and Soloist: Barbara Cain;

Pastor: the Rev. Dr. Kevin Yoho; Worship Production: Norris Clark.

## WORSHIP YOUR WAY!

Join us for Worship Online or In-Person! **Online:** [www.facebook.com/coldspringchurch](http://www.facebook.com/coldspringchurch).

Dear worship online friends: Should our live stream be interrupted, please rejoin as soon as we are back online! If online, sing aloud! Read along! The [PDF Worship Guide can be found here](#). Call-in details for better security. **Call: 929-205-6099**. Enter

**Meeting ID: 882 3154 2428**. Enter **Passcode: 1714**. **In-Person:** Words in **bold** and music to be softly spoken or hummed if in-person.

Birthday blessings to Taylor Burkhardt (15<sup>th</sup>), Ruth Traber (17<sup>th</sup>)!

## Share Your Easter Season Experience!

Snap a pic or video that tells *your* Easter season story and share it with us! On Instagram [#ColdSpringChurch](#), or email [hello@coldspringchurch.com](mailto:hello@coldspringchurch.com).

## WORSHIP PREVIEW

Easter worship was such a fantastic event. On Sunday, about 45 in-person and more online celebrated together. But what if you're just not feeling it? Sure, you recall parts of the Easter story. You remember the palm branches swaying, the children singing, the smell of lilies, colorful eggs, and baskets of candy. Great memories from long ago. But right now? Right now, it feels more like Good Friday than Easter Sunday. It's O.K. to be where you are, how you are. More than that, Jesus knows that you, no, all of us, from time to time, feel overwhelmed with despair, anxiety, disappointment, and even trauma, not to mention the Pandemic's continuing devastating effects on ourselves, our family, and friends. The Good News is that God meets us where we are and promises us hope.

Come as you are and join with others like you on Sunday at 10:30 AM, in-person or online, and discover spiritual resources you need to breathe, to move freely. At your own pace. In your way. You may be surprised to know that after Easter, Jesus' disciples felt a lot like you think right now. They were kind of stuck. Then, each in their own time and as they were comfortable, understood the pierced hands and side of Jesus. Because Jesus lives, they knew they could live, too.

Our Seven Weeks of Easter continues this week. Enjoy music, videos, Scripture readings, and an inspiring message to help you take a step toward a living hope! See you Sunday!

*Read along! The [PDF Worship Guide](#) can be found [here](#).*

**GREETING OF IN-PERSON WORSHIPPERS:** REV. KEVIN YOHO (10:24)

**COUNTDOWN TO WORSHIP** (10:25)

**PRELUDE:** JAYNE McDONOUGH (10:27)

**WELCOME:** REV. KEVIN YOHO (10:30)

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed!**

**CALL TO WORSHIP (RESPONSIVE):** (10:32)

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

God meets us right where we are.

**Christ is rising in our lives. Let us worship God!**

**GOD WELCOMES ALL (UNISON):** (1-10:33)

**God welcomes all, strangers and friends;**

**God's love is strong and it never ends.**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON):**

**Loving God, keep our hearts and minds open to the Good News as we learn, grow, and serve. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT READING: 1 JOHN 1:1-4 (MSG)**

From the very first day, we were there, taking it all in—we heard it with our own ears, saw it with our own eyes, verified it with our own hands. The Word of Life appeared right before our eyes; we saw it happen! And now we're telling you in most sober prose that what we witnessed was, incredibly, this: The infinite Life of God took shape before us.

We saw it, we heard it, and now we're telling you so you can experience it along with us, this experience of communion with the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ. Our motive for writing is simply this: We want you to enjoy this, too. Your joy will double our joy!

**MESSAGE FOR KIDS: WHEN YOU'RE HAVING A BAD DAY** (10:34)

**PRAYER FOR FAMILIES**

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 20:119-31 (NIV)

(10:38)

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

MESSAGE: IT'S EASTER: WHY DOES IT STILL FEEL LIKE GOOD FRIDAY?

John 20:19-31 • REV. KEVIN YOHO

PRAYER AND SILENT REFLECTION:



**MUSIC (VIDEO LYRICS): THINE BE THE GLORY**

(4) (10:50)

*Let's sing, or hum, or clap our hands together, right where we are!*

Thine be the glory,  
Risen, conquering Son,  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won;  
Angels in bright raiment  
Rolled the stone away,  
Kept the folded grave-clothes  
Where thy body lay.  
Thine be the glory,  
Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets us,  
Risen from the tomb;  
Lovingly he greets us,  
Scatters fear and gloom;  
Let the Church with gladness  
Hymns of triumph sing,  
For her Lord now liveth,  
Death hath lost its sting.  
Thine be the glory,  
Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won!

No more we doubt thee,  
Glorious Prince of life;  
Life is naught without thee:  
Aid us in our strife;  
Make us more than conquerors  
Through thy deathless love;  
Bring us safe through Jordan  
To thy home above:  
Thine be the glory,  
Risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory  
Thou o'er death hast won!

### CALL TO RECONCILIATION

(10:54)

God loves you and nothing separates you from God's love. In a spirit of gratitude and honesty, let us pray together:

### PRAYER OF FORGIVENESS

(10:54)

O God, we have heard Jesus' teachings many times, but we confess that sometimes we think they are impractical, or not for us. 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' revolutionary way of love. Forgive us for hurting or neglecting others, we pray. Rise up into this world, into our lives, into our hearts, starting here in Cape May, New Jersey. Show us how to live; give us the wisdom, courage, and fortitude we need to be changed, to forgive, to 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 and rising Lord, God loves and forgives us to live a life of faith and justice. Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! AMEN.

### THE GLORIA (SPOKEN)

(3) (10:56)

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. Amen.

### GIFTS OF GRATITUDE

(10:57)

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### PRAYER OF GRATITUDE

### THE DOXOLOGY (SPOKEN)

(5) (10:58)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below; praise God above the heavenly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE:

(10:58)

Our prayers are with you, wherever you are. We pray for all nations and communities, families and individuals most affected by the pandemic, racial unrest and violence, discrimination, unemployment, anxiety. God grant you peace and calm amid the changes and challenges that all would thrive in wellness. *(Names below have been shortened for privacy.)*

04/04: Christa M. having surgery on Tuesday; Dan M. with Covid; James and Amanda Dodd expecting first child 4/8! Charlie K. Kidney disease problems; for all those alone on Easter and holidays; for church family; Kimberly T, covid. 03/28: Beth, covid. Carol C infection, Jean. Mass shootings, severe weather events. 03/21: Greta S, broken collar bone. Dennis M, home. Eileen S, home. Steve M, physical therapy. 03/14, Connie M; Kerrin R. radiation treatments. Children, grandparents. Thomas family. 03/07: Guy K. Dennis Jr, cancer treatments. 02/28: London (5) mother passing. Roger H. Cianchetta Stringer family. Healing. Dave W, rehab. Jake L, rehab.

## PRAYER

### LORD'S PRAYER

(11:03)

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.

## FRESH EXPRESSION OF COMMUNITY

(11:04)

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

## VIDEO: HE'S STILL RISEN!

(11:02)

## BENEDICTION: REV. KEVIN YOHO

(11:04)

## POSTLUDE: JAYNE McDONOUGH

(11:05)

*Worshippers may now depart in peace to serve! See you next week!*

*So glad you've joined us in-person or online. Please share your worship experience with others on Facebook and Instagram. View worship at any time on our Facebook page. Invite others to join you next week in-person or online.*

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