

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

EASTER

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MARCH 31, 2024

10:00 A.M.

*With doors wide open, we welcome all to come and discover how
God's love in Christ connects us more deeply with each other,
our community, the world and with God.*

*With arms wide open, we welcome all who are looking for something more,
who have questions, who want to make a difference as
they learn, serve and reach out in word and deed.*

With hearts wide open, we welcome you.

PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

PRELUDE

INTROIT: "Celebrate Jesus"

Gary Oliver

*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: An idle tale about an empty tomb

All: And a missing body.

Pastor: Improbable.

All: Unlikely.

Pastor: Yet it was the testimony of the women;

All: Who then told the disciples.

Pastor: It means life is different,

All: Hope is renewed.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

*HYMN #123 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*Mighty God, by your power Christ is raised from death to rule this world
with love. We confess that we have not believed in this work of your power, but
often fall into doubt and fear. Forgive our dread of dying, and help us to start
over, with hope and joy, in the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead, but now
lives, and will put down every power to hurt or destroy. Amen.*

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*RESPONSE: #579 "Gloria Patri"

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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

A TIME TO GREET ONE ANOTHER

ANTHEM: "Easter Song"

Keith Green

HEARING GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT: Isaiah 25:6-9

Pew Bible Page 685

NEW TESTAMENT: John 20:19-21

Pew Bible Page 1052

SERMON: "To Meet Him Again... for the Very First Time" Jeff Prey

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN #104 "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

THE EASTER PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (debts/debtors)

PRAYER RESPONSE: Hymn #119 "The Strife Is O'er"

*The Strife is o'er, the battle done,
The victory of life is won;
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!*

OFFERING OF GIFTS AND TITHES

OFFERTORY: "Because He Lives"

Bill Gaither

*DOXOLOGY:

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures
Here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

TAKING GOD'S WORD TO THE WORLD

*HYMN #151 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

THE BENEDICTION

PASSING THE PEACE: "May God's peace be with you."

POSTLUDE: "Hallelujah Chorus"

by G.F. Handel

Worship has ended; let Service begin.

* Please stand in body or in spirit.

The Lay Reader this morning is Richard K.



~ Open Doors - Open Arms - Open Hearts ~

Thank you for worshiping with us. Please join us again next Sunday.

Scripture: Matthew 2:13-18; Revelation 12:1-6

Sermon Title: "The Jesus I Never Knew – Birth: The Visited Planet"

MARCH 31, 2024 ... During the musical prelude we ask that you prepare for worship by quiet prayer and reflection. If you are visiting our virtual worship service, we extend a special welcome. Chancel flowers are a great opportunity to honor, or remember loved ones and to celebrate special occasions. If you like to sign up, please call the church office to make arrangements. Please feel free visit our website www.oysterbaypresbyterian.org, or call the church office if you have any questions.



OUR SPECIAL MINISTRY OF PRAYER ... Please keep the following people in your prayers: Tom, Hailey, Chris and Luna, all those suffering from cancer, special prayers for those suffering from the wars in Ukraine, the Mideast, and other areas where conflict reigns, for the veterans and military personnel returning from service wounded in body, mind or spirit.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS ... are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the resurrection of the Lord our savior, Jesus Christ given by our Church Family and beautifully arranged by Pat and Jane Byrd. Happy Easter!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY ...

March 31 Shannon McM.
 April 2 Mike L.
 Vivienne M.

CIRCLE OF PRAYER ... If you have need for special prayers, concerns or thanksgivings, please call the church office 922-5477 or Kristine 922-3126.

This week...

Today	He Is Risen!		
	Easter Worship Service		10:00 a.m.
Tue 4/2	Joint Meeting of Deacons/Session		7:00 p.m.
Wed 4/3	House M.T. Meeting		7:30 p.m.
Thu 4/4	Choir Practice		6:30 p.m.
Sun 4/7	Sunday Worship and Sunday School	10:00 p.m.	
	C.E. & Sunday School Meeting		11:30 a.m.

Coming Up...	What Presbyterians Believe	April 8
	(Solar Eclipse - FYI...)	April 8
	Community Dinner	April 13
	A "Baby Sprinkle"	April 14

SERMON OUTLINE
**"TO MEET HIM AGAIN...
 FOR THE VERY FIRST TIME"**

Introduction: thank God for name tags...

- I. Traumatized
 - A. "the fog of war"
 - B. "real fear"
- II. Jesus Stood Among Them
 - A. peace
 - B. joy
- III. Sent
 - A. with power...
 - B. ... to forgive



Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise our God, ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

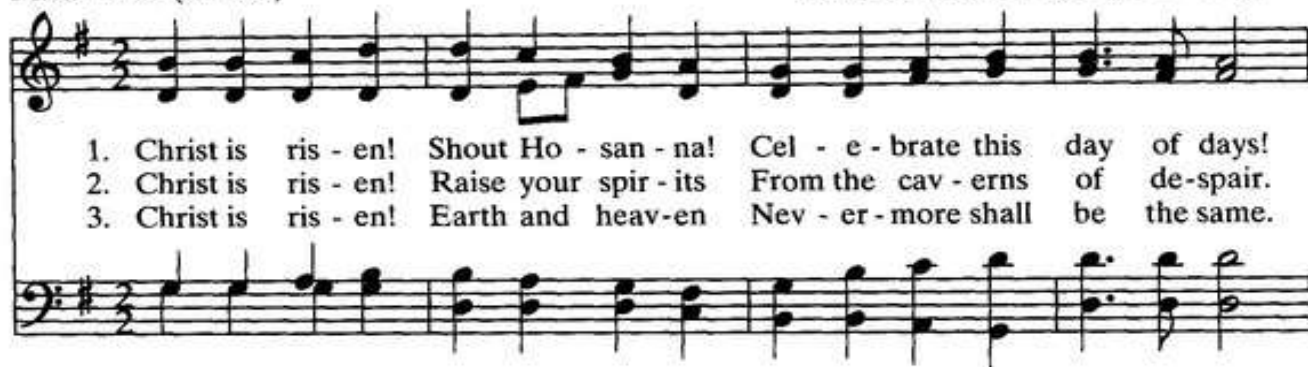
Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

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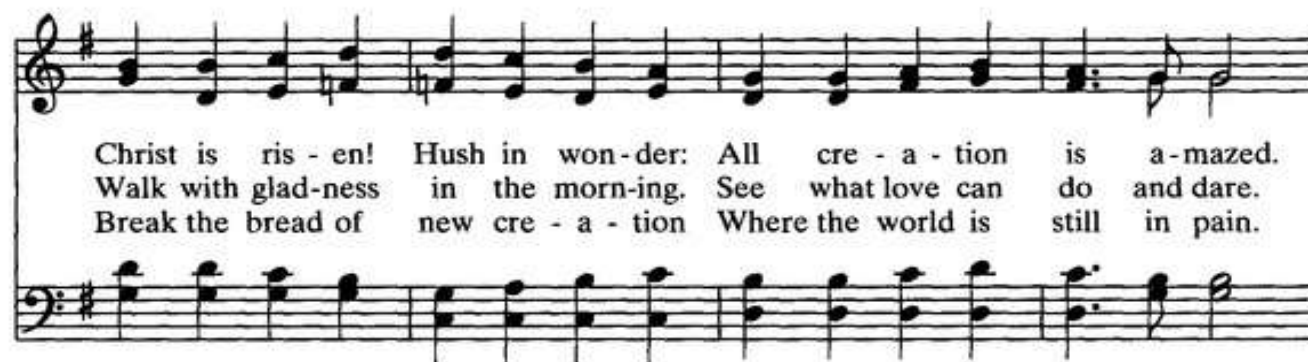
Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824

Brian Wren (b. 1936)

Adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867); alt.



1. Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
 2. Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its From the cav - erns of de - spair.
 3. Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en Nev - er - more shall be the same.



Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: All cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion Where the world is still in pain.



In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, See, a spread - ing tree has grown.
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, Not a ser - vant, but a friend.
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"



Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing Bring a taste of love un - known.
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na, ev - ery - one!

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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DIADEMATA SMD

Matthew Bridges, 1851

George Job Elvey, 1868

1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2. Crown Him the Lord of love; Be - hold His hands and side,
 3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; Whose power a scep - ter sways
 4. Crown Him the Lord of years, The Po - ten - tate of time;

Hark, how the heav - en - ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own!
 Rich wounds, yet vi - si - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Ab - sorbed in prayer and praise:
 Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, In - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
 No an - gel in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; And round His pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For Thou hast died for me;

And hail Him as thy match - less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 But down - ward bends his burn - ing eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 Fair flowers of Par - a - dise ex - tend Their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 Thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail Through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

These are the most asked for items:

Pasta, Pasta sauce, Diced Canned Tomatoes	Mac & Cheese 2 pound or smaller bags of Rice
Boxed rice mixes	Canned Vegetables (low sodium preferred)
Canned Beans, Stews, Soups & Chili	Cereal & Oatmeal
Peanut Butter, Jelly or Jam	Kids' Snacks
Coffee & Tea	Gatorade Juice Boxes

The People's Pantry, 123 Audrey Avenue, Oyster Bay, NY 11771

Accepting donations on Wednesdays from 12:00-6:00 and Fridays from 9:00-1:00

Shopping: Senior Wednesdays 2:30-3:00; Community Shopping

Wednesdays 3:00-6:00 & Fridays 10:00-12:00

To volunteer, go their website at <https://peoplelovingpeople.net/volunteer-form>

North Shore Community Church Food Pantry, 209 South St, Oyster Bay, NY 11771

Accepting donations at church office (on the corner) on Thursday and Friday
between 10:00-3:00,

or Saturday morning at the back door of the church between 9:00-10:00.

Shopping: The Pantry is open for shopping every Saturday morning from 9:00-10:00

NOSH Food Pantry/North Shore Soup Kitchen

NOSH is currently accepting donations of non-perishable food at its new permanent home:
32 School Street (back entrance), Glen Cove
weekdays between 9:00-1:00 (closed Wednesday and weekends)

North Shore Soup Kitchen has re-opened and is accepting donations for its food pantry at
First Baptist Church,
7 Continental Place, Glen Cove, on Tuesday and Thursday mornings
between 9:00 – 12:00

Mimi Mernin's Food Pantry, Village Church, Bayville, 9 Mountain Avenue, Bayville, NY

Donations may be left in a bin at the back of the Church which is emptied daily.
516-628-2737

**Thanks for helping us to help our neighbors!
The Mission Outreach Ministry Team**

THRIFT FAIR

Saturday, May 11, 2024

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

The Thrift Fair raises money for our Mission Fund by selling new and gently used items to the community at large.



How will you support this church event?

All items should be new or gently used and in clean, useable condition.

Please bring your donations

After Monday, April 15th

No later than

Tuesday, May 7th

Arrangements for

home pick-up

must be made by

Sunday, May 5th

Please

Place your donations on the stage in the Fellowship Hall

Your help is needed

Donate New & Gently Used Items:

- ◆ Gently used clothing ◆ Children's clothing
(no stains or rips and no undergarments)
- ◆ Shoes ◆ Toys ◆ Furniture
- ◆ Household furnishings ◆ Collectibles
- ◆ Housewares ◆ Garden-yard tools & equipment
- ◆ Books, hard cover and paperback
(no text books or encyclopedias)

Baked Goods:

- ◆ Homemade cakes ◆ Pies ◆ Breads
- ◆ Cookies ◆ Brownies ◆ Cupcakes, etc.

Your baked goods will be greatly appreciated anytime

Please bring your baked goods

Friday, May 10th or Saturday morning, May 11th

If you have questions or require home pick-up
Please call Suzie Ecton (516) 628-3527
or the church office (516) 922-5477

GET YOUR
RED OF
STUFF

VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!
HELP MAKE OUR
THRIFT FAIR
THE BEST EVER!