

### Special Music – RPPC Choir

Risen Today

### Welcome

Leader: Christ is risen!

People *He is risen, indeed!*

### Hymn #361

Worship Christ, the Risen King

1. Rise, O Church, and lift your voices; Christ has conquered death and hell.  
Sing as all the earth rejoices; Resurrection anthems swell.  
Come and worship, come and worship; worship Christ, the risen King!
2. Hear the earth protest and tremble; See the stone removed with pow'r.  
All hell's minions may assemble, but cannot withstand His hour.  
He has conquered, He has conquered; Christ the Lord, the risen King!
3. Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer;  
But the truth proclaims a wonder, thoughtful hearts receive with cheer.  
He is risen, He is risen; Now receive the risen King!

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### Announcements

- **Welcome Visitors!** Please fill out the visitors' card from the pew rack in front of you and place it in an offering plate near the exits of the sanctuary.
- **Nursery Care** is available for children age 3 & under throughout the worship service.
- **Sunday School:** for age 4 – grade 5 (11am) / grade 12 (9am) begins after Children's Time.
- **GriefShare:** Meets on Tuesdays from 6 - 7:30 pm and is for anyone dealing with loss.
- **Prison Ministry:** RPPC will be providing Prison Alpha at the George W Hill Correctional Facility. Want to help? Call Eileen Cooper (484-432-5681) or Karen Montoro (484-574-4458).
- **Youth Group:** April meetings will be on the 14th and 28th from 5:30 -7:00. Bring your friends!
- **Coffee Café:** Join us for refreshments, fellowship and coffee between services this morning.
- **VBS:** All volunteers meet in the youth room next Sunday at 10:10 for an important meeting.
- **April Collection:** We are collecting nonperishable food items for Ridley Park Methodist Food Pantry. Shopping lists are available on the Outreach Bulletin Board
- **Women's Bible Study:** Join our new study, *He Speaks to Me* by Priscilla Shirer from 6:30 - 8 pm beginning Thursday, April 9 (thru May 21). Find a link to the study guide on our website.
- **Women's Book Club:** Next meeting on April 20 at 6:30 PM to discuss the book *Reconnected* by Carlos Whittaker. All women are welcome to join.

- **Church Center:** Please download the Church Center app which will help us build our database and keep our children safe. Check-in through Church Center will be mandatory for children attending Sunday School or using the nursery beginning May 3<sup>rd</sup>. If you need help, see one of our team members wearing Church Center name tags.
- **One Great Hour:** Today is the day to return fish banks and make any other donations.

## Opening Prayer

**Song** Rattle!

1. Saturday was silent; surely it was through. But since when has impossible ever stopped You?
2. Friday's disappointment is Sunday's empty tomb.  
Since when has impossible ever stopped You?

### Chorus

*This is the sound of dry bones rattling. This is the praise make a dead man walk again.  
Open the grave; I'm coming out, I'm gonna live, gonna live again.  
This is the sound of dry bones rattling.*

3. Pentecostal fire stirring something new, You're not gonna run out of miracles anytime soon.
4. Resurrection power runs in my veins too. I believe there's another miracle here in this room.

### Bridge

My God is able to save and deliver and heal and restore anything that He wants to.  
Just ask the man who was thrown on the bones of Elisha If there's anything that He can't do.  
Just ask the stone that was rolled at the tomb in the garden what happens  
When God says to move. I feel Him moving it now. I feel Him doing it now.  
I feel Him doing it now. Do it now. Do it now.

### Chorus (2x)

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## Children's Time

Hannah Antrican (9) / Karyn Knox (11)

**Hymn #368** He Lives

1. I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living,  
Whatever men may say. I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,  
And just the time I need Him, He's always near.

### Refrain

*He lives (He lives), He lives! (He lives!) Christ Jesus lives today.  
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.  
He lives (He lives), He lives! (He lives!) salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart!*

2. In all the world around me I see His loving care; And though my heart grows weary,  
I never will despair. I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast;  
The day of His appearing will come at last.
3. Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing,  
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King! The hope of all who seek Him,  
The Help of all who find, none other is so loving, so good and kind.

## Scripture Reading

Luke 24:1-8

Leader: On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb.

People: *They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus.*

Leader: While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them.

People: *In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them,*

Leader: "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'"

People: *Then they remembered his words.*

## Song

The Cross

1. You've been trying hard to bear the weight of all your shame,  
And if there's a God up there, you're sure He forgot your name.  
When your steps are getting heavy and hope looks all but lost, just bring it all to the cross.
2. Who told you grace can't reach the messed up ones like you?  
Has the devil made you believe the lies he tells are true?  
When you're sure that you're the one who's wandered too far off,  
It's not too late; just come home to the cross.

### Chorus

*Come and see a Savior's love that would die to make you new.  
Nothing you have ever done can change what mercy's done for you.  
And if you ever wonder if you're worth so great a cost, look up and see the cross.*

3. Everybody's got a list at least a mile long of every scar and every sin  
From everywhere that we've gone wrong. But there's reason for rejoicing,  
And the reason is because that list was nailed to the cross.

### Repeat Chorus

4. He was wounded for your wounds, pierced for all your sin. By His stripes you are healed;  
Died so you could rise again. He let the blood and water flow  
And did it all to let you know, you're the reason that He went to the cross.  
Oh, He's calling you to run home to the cross.

### Repeat Chorus

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-4, 19-24, 50-54

15:1 Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. <sup>2</sup>By this gospel you are saved, if you

hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.<sup>3</sup> For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.

<sup>19</sup> If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup> But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup> Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power.

<sup>50</sup> I declare to you, brothers and sisters, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. <sup>51</sup> Listen, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed— <sup>52</sup> in a flash, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed. <sup>53</sup> For the perishable must clothe itself with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality. <sup>54</sup> When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory."

**Sermon:** What's in it for Me?

Pastor Thomas

## **Congregational Prayer**

### **Song**

I Know a Name

1. I know a Name that can silence roaring waves I know a Name that can empty out a grave  
I know a Name, It's the only Name that saves, and it's worthy of all praise

#### *Chorus*

*I call you Jesus. I call You, I call You Healer, Risen and reigning in power.*

*Something comes out of the grave every time I call You Jesus.*

*I call you, I call You Savior worthy of glory forever*

*Something comes out of the grave every time I call Your Name.*

2. I have a King with dominion over death. He holds the keys in His holy nail-scarred hands.  
He is the heel that has crushed the serpent's head our resurrected Great I Am.

#### *Repeat Chorus*

#### *Bridge 1*

Chains break, dry bones wake. Every time I call Your Name

the gates of hell shake. Every time I call Your Name. Every time I call Your Name.

#### *Bridge 2 (3x)*

Where, oh death, is now your sting? And where, oh grave, your victory?

#### *Bridge 3 (4x)*

Dead things come alive, dead things come alive,

Dead things come alive in the name of Jesus.

#### *Repeat Chorus*

#### *Bridge 1*

Chains break, dry bones wake. Every time I call Your Name  
the gates of hell shake. Every time I call Your Name.

Bridge 3 (2x)

Dead things come alive, dead things come alive,  
Dead things come alive in the name of Jesus.

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**Benediction**

**Hymn #39**

Hallelujah Chorus