

# HE IS LORD \*

He is Lord, He is Lord,  
He is risen from the dead  
And He is Lord.  
Ev'ry knee shall bow,  
Ev'ry tongue confess  
That Jesus Christ is Lord.

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## COMMUNION

## OFFERING

## HYMN #277 \*

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

## BENEDICTION \*

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# Christ Church PCA

April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday



***“The sting of death is sin,  
and the power of sin is the law.  
But thanks be to God,  
who gives us the victory  
through our Lord Jesus Christ.”***

***~ 1 Corinthians 15:56-57***

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP \* Matthew 28:2-9

## HYMN #286 \*

Worship Christ, the Risen King

## HYMN #276 \*

Up from the Grave He Arose

## INVOCATION \*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

Why are you cast down, O my soul,  
and why are you in turmoil within me?

**Lord we have turned away from you,  
our only hope.**

The Word of God became flesh  
and dwelt among us,

*\* Stand as you are able*

***Bold Print – speak together in unison***

## CONFESSION OF SIN

**yet we act as if there is no reason for hope.**

Your Son sacrificed for us,  
rose victorious over sin and death.

**Forgive us Lord for our cynicism, our doubt,  
and our hopelessness.**

**We confess that we find it easier to trust in our  
gadgets, our bank account, and our education  
than in the hope of the Eternal King.**

**We claim to have the hope of the gospel,  
but despair at the prospect of suffering  
and persecution.**

**Awake in us afresh a hopeful trust in you.**

**You are our only hope for forgiveness  
and restoration.**

## SILENT CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON      1 John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

## TITHES AND OFFERINGS

## CHOIR      Alleluia, Christ Is Risen!

*For parents who are interested in nursery care*

*Children 3 and under*

*may be brought to the nursery at this time.*

*Please plan to pick your child up after the sermon.*

## PRAYER

## VICTORY IN JESUS\*

I heard an old, old story,  
How a Savior came from glory,  
How He gave his life on Calvary  
To save a wretch like me:  
I heard about His groaning,  
Of His precious blood's atoning,  
Then I repented of my sins  
And won the victory.

*Chorus:*

O victory in Jesus, my Savior, forever,  
He sought me and bought me  
With His redeeming blood;  
He loved me ere I knew Him,  
And all my love is due Him,  
He plunged me to victory  
Beneath the cleansing flood.

I heard about His healing,  
Of His cleansing pow'r revealing,  
How He made the lame to walk again  
And caused the blind to see;  
And then I cried, "Dear Jesus,  
Come and heal my broken spirit,"  
And somehow Jesus came and  
Brought to me the victory. (*Chorus*)

I heard about a mansion  
He has built for me in glory,  
And I heard about the streets of gold  
Beyond the crystal sea;  
About the angels singing,  
And the old redemption story,  
And some sweet day I'll sing up there  
The song of victory. (*Chorus*)

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## SCRIPTURE READING \*      1 Peter 1:3-5

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God!**

## SERMON

"The Resurrection: Reason for Celebration"

~Pastor Ian Hard

# WELCOME!

Christ Church PCA is part of the body of Christ where the Word of God is taught, heard, and lived.

We provide a friendly place of worship for all people, minister to the needs and aspirations of our congregation, and extend Christian outreach to the community and the world.

More information about our church can be found at [www.ccpca.org](http://www.ccpca.org) and on our Facebook page.

## NEWS AND EVENTS IN OUR CHURCH COMMUNITY

### CHRIST CHURCH SERVICE TEAM

#### April 1<sup>st</sup>

Greeter – Rebecca Hard

Nursery – Heather LaCombe

Refreshments – Teresa Saltsman

#### April 8<sup>th</sup>

Greeter – Dean Jore

Nursery – Meghan LaCombe

Refreshments – Gayle Troy and Alice Young

### WOMEN'S STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:

There are two women's study groups beginning this week that will examine gospel-centered community. Books for both studies are available on the information table in the Fellowship area. The cost is \$7, but scholarships are available.

Rebecca Hard will be hosting a morning study at the Hard home every Tuesday at 9 a.m., starting April 3<sup>rd</sup>.

*Please let Rebecca know if you plan to participate.*

Elaine Welch will be hosting an evening study that will meet on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m., starting April 4<sup>th</sup>.

*Please let Elaine know if you plan to participate.*

### MARKET DAYS VOLUNTEERING:

If you are interested in helping with Christ Church's booth at Market Days, please contact Pastor Ian. The Market Days festival is a great opportunity for our church to be in the community and share what we are doing to the glory of God.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sunday school meets every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Classes for children, teens, and adults are available.

### CHOIR:

Choir practice is every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Please see Gayle Troy with any questions.

### REVIVAL PRAYER:

Next meets on Wednesday, April 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m.

### MEN'S BREAKFAST:

Next breakfast is Saturday, April 14<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 a.m.

### SMALL GROUP STUDIES:

*In observance of Easter Sunday, there will be no small group studies meeting tonight.*

A small group, led by Pastor Ian Hard, meets at the Hard home the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month (*off on fellowship lunch Sundays*) at 6 p.m. to study the books of 2nd and 3rd John.

*If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Ian Hard at 319-855-2748.*

A small group, led by Chris McMillan, meets at the LaCombe home each Sunday at 5:00 p.m. The study series is entitled "Shepherding Grace" and focuses on how to be intentional in our love for God and our neighbor through leadership.

*If you are interested in attending, please contact Jason LaCombe at 603-731-8991.*

A men's small group, led by Mark Saltsman, meets at Havenwood (on Christian Avenue in Concord) every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for a topical study on the work of the Holy Spirit.

**“The Resurrection:  
Reason for Celebration”**

Pastor Ian Hard

April 1, 2018

**Sermon Text:** 1 Peter 1:3-5

Mercy Confirmed

New Birth Begun

Hope Shown to be Alive

Eternal Future Secured