



# LAKE GROVE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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LIVING IN  
**Koinonia:**

THE WAY OF JESUS FROM  
THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT

APRIL 19TH | 9:30 AM  
SANCTUARY

*Welcome to worship on this  
Third Sunday in the Easter Season!*

*Our celebration of the Lord's Resurrection merits our  
extended commemoration. We look forward to the  
renewal and growth in faith and fellowship that will be  
experienced in this holy season.*

# TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

*\*please stand if able*

**Prelude** *We Thank Thee, Holy Spirit by Dietrich Buxthude*

## Welcome

## Church Alive

### \*Call to Worship

*Adapted from Isaiah 51*

One: God says, Listen to me, my people: A teaching will go out from me and my justice for a light to the peoples.

**All: I will bring near my deliverance swiftly; my salvation has gone out, and my arms will rule the peoples.**

One: Lift up your eyes to the heavens and look at the earth beneath

**All: My salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended.**

One: Let us worship the Lord our Provider!

### \*Hymn 248

*Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

### \*Prayer of Adoration

#### **Anthem Blessed Are You**

*Do you know how blessed you are when you are poor  
When your spirit has been tried, your hope outpoured?  
Do you know how lovely will be your reward?  
Yours is the kingdom*

*Do you know how blessed you are when you must mourn  
When the tears are endless rivers in your soul?  
You shall feel the hand of God that draws you close  
In consolation*

*Refrain:*

*Blessed are you, blessed are you  
in whatever trials and troubles you walk through  
The love of God will not abandon you  
Blessed are you*

*Do you know how blessed you are when hunger comes  
When no earthly drink can fill the thirst within?  
It is then you find the fullness of his love  
poured out upon you*

*And when peace is like a rumor on the wind  
And when mercy fails to make her presence known  
Hope will give you all you need to be a light  
That heals the darkness*

*Refrain*

*O my friends, there will be struggles still to come  
Persecutions for the sake of love and truth  
Do not be afraid, for you are not alone  
Blessed are you*

*Refrain*

*The love of God will not abandon you  
Blessed are you*

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## **Prayer of Confession**

*Based on Isaiah 51*

**One:** God says, Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness, you who seek the Lord. Look to the rock from which you were hewn and to the quarry from which you were dug.

**All:** **Let us trust the One who knows us best and confess our sins together.**

**One:** Gracious and merciful God,

**All:** **We your faithful resurrection people continue to immerse ourselves in your renewing promise given to us in our risen Lord, Jesus Christ. We do admit, however, how quickly we allow the worries of the world to eclipse our joy. Confound the spirit of darkness and blaze through our fogginess with the light of our glorious Lord, that we may hold fast to the amazing hope that is in us; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.**

*(a time of silent reflection)*

**Amen.**

## **Assurance of Pardon**

**One:** God says, I will comfort Zion and all her waste places; I will make her wilderness like Eden, her desert like the garden of the Lord.

**All:** **Joy and gladness will be found in her, thanksgiving and the voice of song.**

**One:** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

**All:** **Thanks be to God!**

## **\*Sung Response Hymn 268**

**Crown him with many crowns,  
the Lamb upon his throne;  
hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns  
all music but its own!**

**Awake, my soul, and sing  
of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless King  
through all eternity.**

## **\*Passing of the Peace**

**One:** The peace of Christ be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

## **Baptism of Mike Calkins**

### **\*Hymn 649**

*Amazing Grace*

## **Prayers of God's People & Lord's Prayer**

**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, for ever.**

**Amen.**

## **Scripture**

**Psalm 34:1-5, 8 NRSVue**

*I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the humble hear and be glad. O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his name together.*

*I sought the Lord, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant, so your faces shall never be ashamed. O taste and see that the Lord is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.*

## **Gospel Reading**

## **Matthew 5:3-12 NRSVue**

*"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.*

*"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.*

*"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.*

*"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.*

*"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.*

*"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.*

*"Blessed are those who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.*

**Next week's passage:** Matthew 5:13-16

## **Sermon**

*Resurrection Life: Character*  
**Pastor Conley Zomermaand**

## **\*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.**

## **\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Offertory** *If I Can Help Somebody*

*If I can help somebody as I pass along*

*If I can cheer somebody with a word or song;*

*If I can show somebody he is traveling wrong;*

*Then my living shall not be in vain;*

*If I can do my duty as a Christian ought;*

*If I can bring back beauty to a world up wrought;*

*If I can spread Love's message that the master taught;*

*Then my living shall not be in vain;*

*arr. André Thomas ©2020 Lafleur Music LTD. CCLI #207039*

## **\*Hymn 306**

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

## **\*Benediction**

## **Postlude**

*Fuga in C by Dietrich Buxtehude*

## **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Preaching:** Pastor Conley Zomermaand

**Assisting:** Pastor Graig Flach

**Musicians:** Peace Choir directed by Abigail Krawson; Sanctuary Choir directed by Wendy Bamonte; Abigail Krawson, *soloist*; Jeff Wood, *organ & piano*

**A/V Production:** Mark Alcalá, Spencer Hadduck

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**Let's connect!** Join us in the Fellowship Hall for *Beanediction*, our coffee and fellowship ministry, after each service.

### **LGPC**Prays

Prayer is the primary work of God's people. It is a vital connection to God where we can hear from, listen to, and respond to the Lord. Here are some ways you can pray this week...

Prayers for the family of **Patty Melrose** as they mourn her passing. A memorial will be held on Saturday, April 25th at 2:30pm in the Sanctuary.

### **Mission**Partners

**Local: Manna Ministry** - Pray for an increase in food donations considering the increased need during a time of decreased social service; pray also for new volunteers to gather donations each week to help fill crucial food needs in our community.

**Lake Oswego Transitional Shelter Ministry (LOTSM)** - Pray for the families served by "LOTSM" as they move toward self-sufficiency. Pray for another person from Lake Grove with a heart for supporting people in this process.

If you would like to receive or be included on the weekly churchwide prayer chain, please email: [prayer@lakegrovepres.org](mailto:prayer@lakegrovepres.org).

# UPCOMING EVENTS



LAKE GROVE  
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Rockaway Beach, NJ

## NEW MEMBER SEMINAR

SUNDAY, APRIL 19 | 11AM-2PM | COURTYARD ROOM

This is a great opportunity to gather with others curious to know more about us, have lunch, and meet with our pastors. Childcare is available upon request.



LAKE GROVE  
WOMEN'S MINISTRY

*2026 women's retreat*

## known by name

WITH GUEST SPEAKER REV. KELLY DICKSON

MAY 1-3, 2026

TWIN ROCKS FRIENDS CAMP  
ROCKAWAY BEACH

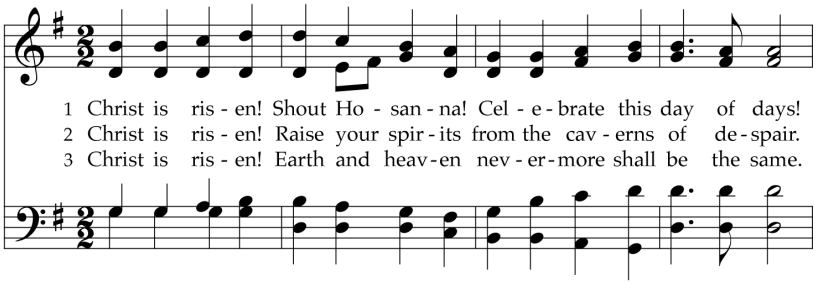


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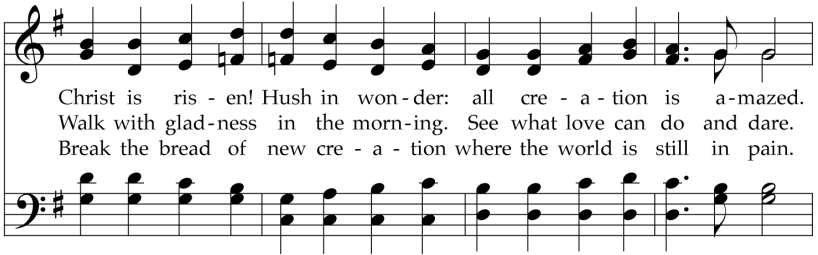
## Child OF God

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SUNDAY  
MAY 17TH | 9:30AM | SANCTUARY

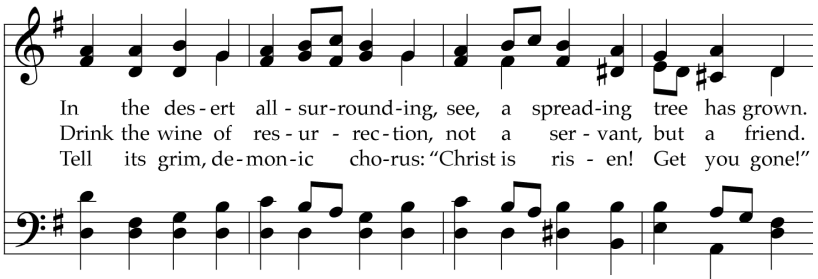
## Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248



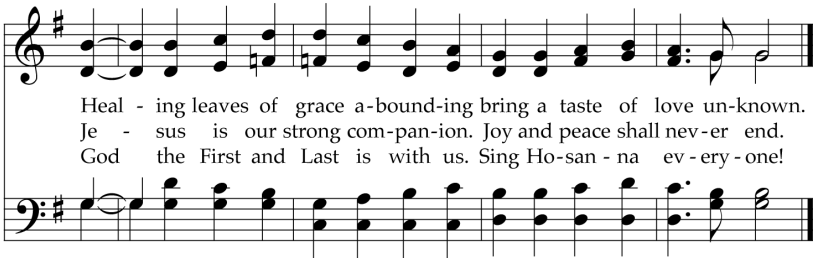
1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!  
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.  
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.



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!

In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."

## 649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that  
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and  
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I  
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his  
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but  
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that  
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me  
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and  
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.  
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!  
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.  
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.  
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

## CHOCTAW

*Shilombish holitopa ma!  
 Ishmminti pulla cha  
 hatak ilbusha pia ha  
 is pi yukpalashke.*

## CREEK

*Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet  
 ah non ah cha pa kas  
 cha fee kee o funman la kus  
 um e ha ta la yus.*

## NAVAHO

*Nizhóní'go joobá diits' a'  
 yisdáshítínigí,  
 lah yóóiyá, k'ad  
 shénáhoosdzin,  
 doo eesh'í' da ní'ée.*

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16–17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

TEXT: Stanzas 1–4, John Newton, 1772; stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790; Navaho, Albert Tsoie

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MUSIC: *Columbian Harmony*, 1829; arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1910, alt.

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## Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in  
 2 Be - fore our \*Fa - ther's throne we pour our  
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual  
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us  
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of  
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our  
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each  
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be  
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.  
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.  
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.  
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.  
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

\*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

TEXT: John Fawcett, 1782  
 MUSIC: Johann Georg Nægeli, 1828; arr. Lowell Mason, 1845

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