



Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026
9:30 am

Welcome! State College Presbyterian Church is a warm, diverse, dynamic faith community with people of all ages and generations coming together to learn, serve, and worship.

Serving this Morning

Ushers:

Head Usher: Gail Miller
Ushers: Curt Dell, Nancy Dreschel,
Greg Elliott, Bruce Grinder, Marti
Sawyer, Jon Schwantes, and Phil
Spangler

Information Desk: Heather Bruhn

Liturgist: Scott Kretchmar

Sound/Projection/Camera:

Scott Thompson, Steve Van Hook,
and Cyril Fubin Kumachang

Greeters: Fraser Street: Jane Butler
and Judy Killam
Parking Lot: Mary Hartzell

Music: Chancel Choir
Choral Interns: Katrina Cole, Ireland
McDyre, Natalie Scerbo, Lucas
Edwards, Nic Stark, and Isaac Bolan
Tanner Deyo & Jeff Baker, trumpet;
Ethan Ruble, horn; Dick Bundy,
trombone; Charles McCall, timpani

Coffee Hour: Clark Moose, Meg
Moose, and John Marsden

Smile! You're (Maybe) On Camera! Just a friendly heads-up that we are livestreaming/recording our service today; thus, you may end up on our YouTube video. We are so glad you are here to worship with us!



In response to God's unconditional love and Jesus' example of hospitality, State College Presbyterian Church is called to be a welcoming community. We affirm all people equally, regardless of, for example, race, ethnicity, citizenship status, age, sex/gender identity, sexual orientation, capability, religious background, or circumstance of life. We are committed to removing barriers that separate us. As we gather in worship, fellowship, and service, all are welcome.

Order of Worship

*The Congregation is invited to rise in body or spirit.

Prelude

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty”
“The Heavens are Telling”

J.S. Bach
Benedetto Marcello

Tolling of the Bell

Henry Stallings

***Processional Hymn**

[EASTER HYMN]

***Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!***

***To the tomb the women bring, Alleluia!
Spices rich, an offering, Alleluia!
Asking where might Jesus be, Alleluia!
Savior come to set us free, Alleluia!***

***There the angel clothed in white, Alleluia!
Tells the news with great delight, Alleluia!
This the news the angel gives, Alleluia!
That the Sov'reign glorious lives, Alleluia!***

***"Hasten now to Galilee," Alleluia!
"Tell the others what you see!" Alleluia!
With excitement trembling, Alleluia!
Off they run, good news to bring, Alleluia!***

***Christ appears in full array, Alleluia!
Sing with joy this Paschal day, Alleluia!
Christ now from the dead is raised, Alleluia!
Holy Trinity be praise, Alleluia!***

Words: Latin hymn, 14th c.; Eng. tr. st. 1 Lyra Davidica, London, 1708;

Eng. trs. sts. 2–5 The New Century Hymnal, 1995

Music: Lyra Davidica, 1708

Words sts. 3–6 © 1995 The Pilgrim Press

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Scott Hoffman

***Passing of the Peace (L: Leader; P: People)**

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

***Call to Worship**

Deannine Shipman

L: Lord, like the women at the tomb on the first Easter, we come out of our darkness and into your light

P: We come out of emptiness to enter your fullness

L: We come out of our hopelessness to find your joy

P: We come out of our confusion to seek your peace

L: We come far from home because we know we have been found

**P: We come at your invitation to celebrate your risen life
and to praise you as Lord**

L: We come to worship the Risen Lord!

***Hymn**

“Come into God’s Presence”

No. 413

stanzas 1–2

***Call to Confession**

***Silent Confession**

***Corporate Confession**

Gracious God, we confess that we think of Easter as the springtime holiday rather than the mystery holiday, the hope-time holiday, the now-its-up-to-us holiday. We’re more at home with bulbs and bunnies than mortality and resurrection. We confess that we’re afraid to talk about death and we avoid those who are dying or leave their tender care to others. We confess that sometimes we engage in personal and community behaviors that are life-denying. Sometimes we let things die—hopes and dreams, relationships, communities of faith—because we aren’t willing to claim your tomb-opening power. Accept our repentance and be risen in each of our lives. Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon**

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel:

P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

***Response to Assurance**

“Come into God’s Presence”

Hymn. No. 413

stanzas 3–4

Prayer for Inspiration

Scott Kretchmar

First Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 31:1–6
Page 641 in the pew Bible

Anthem

“Alleluia”
Chancel Choir

Randall Thompson

Children’s Time

Parents and Guardians, please take note that during the children’s message, children may be photographed or video recorded due to our live stream. The video/images may be used without compensation by the church for promotional purposes in digital or print media. If you do not wish for your child to be in the live stream, the front pew/row of chairs is not in the live shot.

Song after Children’s Time

Hymn No. 697, v. 1

*Take my life and let it be
consecrated, Lord, to thee;
take my moments and my days;
let them flow in ceaseless praise;
let them flow in ceaseless praise.*

Second Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:1–10
Page 811 in the pew Bible

L: This is the Word of the Lord, and let all the people say—

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Do Not Be Afraid

Rev. Scott Hoffman

*Hymn

“Woman, Weeping in the Garden”

No. 241

Call to Offering

There are numerous ways to give to the work of SCPC. Offering plates will be passed through the pews during the offertory for checks or cash to be left today. To give online, please scan the QR code on the card in the pew rack or inside the front cover of the pew pad. You may also mail a check to the church office. If you give online or via the mail, you are invited to place one of the cards from the pew rack in the plate as it is passed.

Thank you for your support!

Offertory

“Were You There”

arr. by Thomas Quigley

Tanner Deyo & Jeff Baker, trumpet; Ethan Ruble, horn; Dick Bundy, trombone

***Doxology**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

***Prayer of Dedication**

Holy Communion

Invitation to the Table

Instructions

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give Thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus

W.A. Mozart

Chancel Choir

The 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, forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Pouring of the Cup

Communion Hymn "In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

No. 250

Prayer following communion

***Hymn** “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing” No. 239
stanzas 1–3

If you would like to join in singing the Hallelujah Chorus with the Chancel Choir, please join them on the steps in the front of the Sanctuary during this hymn.

***Charge & Benediction**

***Benediction Response** “Hallelujah Chorus” G.F. Handel

Postlude “Toccata” Charles-Marie Widor
From Symphony No. 5

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Infant and Child Care is available for children up to age 3 in Room 101.

Children Worship & Song Children ages 3 through 2nd grade are invited to Children, Worship & Song **in Room 11 following the Children’s Message.** The program uses the Godly Play method with biblical stories, figures, and a desert box; alternate weeks include creative movement and music. **At 10:30 am, please pick up your children from Room 11.**

First-Time Visitor!

Is this your first time visiting SCPC? We’re so glad you’re here! After worship today, please stop by one of the doors to meet a church member—and get “**mugged**” with an SCPC mug filled with goodies. If you’d like more information about our church, feel free to reach out to us at officescpc@gmail.com or complete our Welcome Card located in the pew or online by scanning the QR Code.

An advertisement with a yellow background and orange border. On the left, text reads 'Storm bucket ITEMS DUE in the office by Tuesday, 4/7'. In the center is a blue bucket filled with cleaning supplies, with a white CWS logo and 'Church World Service www.cwsglobal.org' printed on it. On the right, text reads 'Pack a bucket at coffee hour on 4/19' and 'signup genius:'. A QR code is located at the bottom right of the advertisement.

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Come Ring the Bell!

To sign up your child or youth to ring the bell, please use the QR Code to sign up. A reminder will be sent the day before your scheduled date.

On the Sunday your child or youth is scheduled to ring the bell, families should meet Todd, our Building Manager, on the balcony near the Tower Room at **9:20 am**.



Young Adult and College Age Easter Potluck

Are you a young adult or college-age student with no plans on Easter Day? Join us for an Easter Potluck from 11:30 am-1:30 pm in the Fireside Room! Enjoy good food, great company, and time together.



Theology unTapped

Young Adults gathering for drinks, food, and fellowship.

Monday, April 6 - 6:30-8:30 pm
@ Quaker Steak and Lube



LOGOS End of the Year Celebration – Tuesday, April 7

The LOGOS End of Year Celebration will be held on Tuesday, April 7, from 6:00–8:00 pm at Get Air. Feel free to have your children wear their LOGOS t-shirts!

Please note that this is not a drop-off event—adults must stay with their children. We are asking parents to cover the cost for their children. If this presents a challenge, please don't hesitate to reach out to Janet Schaufler or Deannine Shipman.

This is an after-dinner event, but cookies and water will be provided. Children will need to wear bounce socks—you are welcome to bring your own or purchase a pair at Get Air. In addition, all participants must complete a waiver prior to attending. You can find the waiver here:

<https://statecollege.getairmanagement.com/GroupWaiver.html>

We're looking forward to a fun evening celebrating a great year together!

Juniper Village Block Party

Multigenerational afternoon gathering for snacking, and visiting. Come early to join in viewing worship at 1:45.

Join us!
APRIL 12, 2:45-4:00
the **SECOND** Sunday
due to Easter

Sign up: [tinyURL.com/Juniper2026](https://tinyurl.com/Juniper2026)

Belonging in love. Growing in faith. Serving with purpose.

This descriptive statement identifies the priorities of the State College Presbyterian Church: we are a welcoming church, actively engaged in nurturing our congregation and caring for our community.

Volunteer service is at the center of the life of the church. We serve with passion and commitment, using our time and talents to make the world around us a better place. All are invited to serve, regardless of age or experience. Some of us have served in the same roles for years, while others are still trying to find their place in the church volunteer network.

Opportunities within the church are vast: we have conducted an inventory of all current volunteer roles, including detailed descriptions that outline the expectations for each position.

We will soon be launching a survey...The Volunteer Accelerator...which will invite you to take a few minutes to share your interests and expertise. This data will then be submitted into the accelerator tool, matching your responses with volunteer positions that best align with your talents.

This survey will be released in church on April 19, so get ready to explore new avenues for engagement at SCPC!

Any questions can be addressed to Mitch Kirsch (mitchkirsch57@gmail.com) or Kelly Nguyen (kellybnguyen1@gmail.com)

Email LianeRoe125@gmail.com to sign up



Join us April 18!

Saturday morning 8-noon.
Suitable for families. Invite a friend!

Congrats to our grads!

If you or someone you love is graduating this Spring with a bachelor's or other advanced degree, we would love to recognize them on Sunday, May 3. Please submit their name, school, degree, and a photo to Laura in the church office (officescpc@gmail.com) by April 26.



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STATE COLLEGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

DEACONS' BINGO

Sunday, April 19 at 6:30 pm
in the Social Hall

Deacons' Bingo Event

The SCPC Deacons are hosting the third annual social Bingo event for all ages on Sunday, April 19, from 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the Social Hall. The free fellowship event will feature snacks and drinks, along with games of Bingo for small prizes. Come to have fun, bring your whole family, and invite a friend!

Easter Flowers:

The Easter flowers that decorate our sanctuary this Easter Morning are given in memory or honor of the following:



In memory of Ella Catherine Anderson Cheslock, Kermit Anderson, Leonard Cheslock, and Syd Brown given by Deb Anderson & John, Zach, and Sam Cheslock

In memory of Maxwell and Edwin Bauman given by Joe, Jamie, Navy, and Lincoln Bauman

In honor of Ruth and Glen Blume given by Katie Blume

In memory of Emory and Beverly Brown given by Barby Brown, Wayne Kursh, and Nancy and Mark Delricco

In memory of our grandparents, Harry and Sara Nehrig given by Rick and Carolyn Bryant

In honor of my sons Bryan Roan and Aaron Roan given by Carolyn Bryant

In memory of our parents, Dick and Dolly Bundy, and George and Margaret Wildman given by Dick and Chris Bundy

In memory of Mary Elizabeth Travis Bundy given by Dick and Chris Bundy

In memory of Jeff Burnham given by Rod and Kathy Burnham

In memory of our parents, Tammy and Bill Kinneman, and Mary Colwell Heflin given by Tammy and Craig Colwell

In honor of our sons Ryan Colwell and Andy Colwell and their families given by Tammy and Craig Colwell

In honor of the Strategic Planning Implementation Team – Amy Elliott, Cam Richardson, Kelly Nguyen, Mitch Kirsch, Richard Page, and Bob Igo – for their dedication and Spirit-filled work in leading our church in discerning God's vision and plans for our future given by the Congregational Prayer Group

In honor of the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee – Katherine Allen, Casey Behrer, Scott Cole, Jeremy Frank, Nick Moose, Mike Rothenberger, and Keri Rounsville- for their months of faithful work and diligence in searching for our next Associate Pastor given by the Congregational Prayer Group

In honor of our staff for their constant leadership, support, and service given by the Congregational Prayer Group

In memory of our parents given by Chuck and Jill Curley

In honor of Caroline, Denver, and Nora Gaul given by Linda Gaul Edvar

In loving memory of Mildred and Wayne Gaul given by Linda Gaul Edvar

In honor of our families given by Linda and Greg Giles

In memory of our loved ones given by John and Carol Graham

In memory of Phyllis, Woodrow, and Hal Bierly given by their family

In memory of our parents given by Don and Mary Hartzell

In memory of Juanita Hoffman given by Scott, Ashlee, Kylee, and Natalee Hoffman

In memory of Rev. Scott Hauser given by Scott, Ashlee, Kylee, and Natalee Hoffman

In memory of Jim Kerlin given by Suzanne Kerlin

In honor of my children and grandchildren given by Suzanne Kerlin

In memory of Donald and Pauline Kirsch given by Rod and Mitch Kirsch

In memory of Steve and Mildred Stipanovich given by Rod and Mitch Kirsch

In memory of Irene R. Coon (MJ's mother) given by Bernie and MJ Kitt

In memory of Mary Jane Kitt (Bernie's mother) given by Bernie and MJ Kitt

In appreciation of Pastor Scott's weekly sermons given by Ken and Sharon Manno

In memory of Jim Powers and Sally Martz given by Suzanne and Dave Martz

In memory of Bob McCarty given by his family

In memory of John McQueary given by Ann, John, Kelly, and Mike

In memory of Don and Barbara Gross given by Clark and Meg Moose

In memory of Donald and Barbara Gross given by Nick and Annie Moose

In honor of our mother, Clara Miller given by Dan and Gail Miller

In memory of our parents, Galen and Lucy Miley, and James Miller given by Dan and Gail Miller

In memory of James L. Lockerman given by Beth Musser

In memory of Richard Rom given by Ellen Rom

In honor of Helen Rom given by Ellen Rom

In memory of James Rote given by Jen Rote

In memory of our parents given by Scott and Mary Ann Sesler

In memory of Edythe and Allen St. Clair given by Mimi St. Clair

In memory of Sam Stafford given by Chad, Leslie, Jakob, and Gracie Stafford

In memory of Dorothy Cropp given by Leslie Stafford

In memory of Alma and Charles Steel, Jean and Harlan McCartney, and Norma Steel given by Heather Steel

In memory of my parents given by Linda Steffee

In memory of Donald and Mattie Hudock, Carl and JoAnn Miller, and Joyce Stone given by the Stone Family

In memory of my parents, Bill and Reba Sheavly given by Becky Thomas

In memory of Marlin Vander Wilt given by Steve and Jenny Van Hook

In memory of Jay and Mary Van Hook given by Steve and Jenny Van Hook

In honor of George, Ruth and Carol Wheeler and Bob and Anna Jane Behlen given by Jim and Ann Wheeler

Staff & Leadership

Ministers: Every Member of the Congregation!
Senior Pastor: The Rev. Scott Hoffman
Director of Education and Program: Deannine Shipman
Director of Music Ministry: Heike Burghart Rice
Financial Administrator: Michelle Fortin
Building Manager: Todd Hockenberry
Assistant Custodian: Chelsea Hockenberry
Church Secretary: Laura Green
Mission Associate: Cricket Hunter
Stay and Play Preschool Director: Laura Seeley
Stay and Play Assistant Director: Dianna Danko
Interim Chrysalis Coordinator: Laura Essinger-Hileman
Kitchen Coordinators: Mike and Amy Gordon

For more information about the church and our programs, please visit our website at scpresby.org.

If you are an online attendee, we hope you will "sign the pew pad" virtually by texting "check in" during the welcome and announcement time so we know you're watching! The phone number is 833-234-1326.

To give via our Online Giving site, scan the QR Code.



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Calendar

Sun 5

Easter Sunday

Communion Sunday

- AM 6:45 Sunrise Service, ReFarm Cafe
- 9:00 Childcare, Rm 101
- 9:00 Coffee Hour, Social Hall
- 9:30 Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:00 Children, Worship & Song, Rm 11
- 11:30 YoPro and College Student Easter Potluck, Fireside Rm

Mon 6

Church Office and Building Closed Stay and Play Closed

- PM 6:00 Theology unTapped, Quaker Steak and Lube
- 7:00 Virtual Centering Prayer, Zoom

Tues 7

- AM 10:00 Staff Meeting
- PM 12:00 Congregational Prayer Meeting, Zoom
- 6:00 LOGOS End of the Year Celebration, Get Air
- 7:15 Personnel Ministry Unit, Zoom

Wed 8

- PM 12:00 Wednesday in the Word, Zoom/Fireside Rm
- 4:00 Finance Meeting, Martin Rm
- 6:00 FISH

Thurs 9

- PM 12:30 Stay and Play Staff Meeting, Social Hall
- 5:30 PSF, Fireside Rm and CAYAM Corner
- 7:00 Adult Education Committee Meeting, Zoom
- 7:00 Chancel Choir Rehearsal
- 7:30 APNC Meeting, Rm 10

Fri 10

- AM 11:30 GIFT Book Club, Fireside Rm

Sun 12

- AM 9:00 Childcare, Rm 101
- 9:00 Coffee Hour, Social Hall
- 9:30 Worship, Sanctuary
- 10:30 Exploration Hour
- 11:30 Deacons' Meeting, Marin Rm
- PM 12:00 Explore, Fireside Rm
- 2:45 Juniper Block Party, Juniper Village

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Jeremiah 31:1–6

At that time, says the Lord, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.

Thus says the Lord:

The people who survived the sword

found grace in the wilderness;

when Israel sought for rest,

the Lord appeared to him[a] from far away.[b]

I have loved you with an everlasting love;

therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you.

Again I will build you, and you shall be built,

O virgin Israel!

Again you shall adorn yourself with your tambourines

and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

Again you shall plant vineyards

on the mountains of Samaria;

the planters shall plant

and shall enjoy the fruit.

For there shall be a day when sentinels will call

in the hill country of Ephraim:

“Come, let us go up to Zion,

to the Lord our God.”

Matthew 28:1–10

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he[a] lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead,[b] and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

Come into God's Presence 413



1 Come in - to God's pres-ence sing - ing "Al - le - lu - ia,
 2 Come in - to God's pres-ence sing - ing "Je - sus is Lord,
 3 Praise the Lord to - geth - er sing - ing "Wor - thy the Lamb,
 4 Praise the Lord to - geth - er sing - ing "Glo - ry to God,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia."
 Je - sus is Lord, Je - sus is Lord."
 wor - thy the Lamb, wor - thy the Lamb."
 glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God."

**May be sung as a canon.*

This anonymous worship chorus is thought to have been created extemporaneously during the 1960s and was one of the earliest songs of that kind. The opening line of the text is a paraphrase of Psalm 100:2, and the very act of singing this song fulfills that verse's invitation.

Woman, Weeping in the Garden 241

1 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, who has
 2 Wom - an, wait - ing in the gar - den, af - ter
 3 Wom - an, walk - ing in the gar - den, Je - sus
 4 Wom - an, weep - ing in the gar - den, weep for
 5 Wom - an, danc - ing from the gar - den, find the

pushed the stone a - side? Who has tak - en Je - sus'
 men have come and gone, af - ter an - gels give their
 takes you by sur - prise; when the gar - dener calls you,
 joy, for you have seen Je - sus, the Mes - si - ah,
 oth - ers and pro - claim Christ is ris - en as he

bod - y, Je - sus Christ the cru - ci - fied?
 wit - ness, si - lent - ly you watch the dawn.
 "Mar - y!" faith and joy meet in your eyes.
 ris - en; Christ, of whom the proph - ets dream.
 prom - ised; tell the world he knew your name!

This hymn focuses on Mary Magdalene, the first witness to Christ's Resurrection (John 20:1-18). Her frame of mind turns from sorrow and apprehension to joy and proclamation in the middle stanza when the supposed gardener calls her by name, and she recognizes the risen Christ.

In the Bulb There Is a Flower 250

Hymn of Promise

Capo 3: (D) F (Em) Gm

1 In the bulb there is a flow - er; in the seed, an ap - ple tree;
 2 There's a song in ev - ery si - lence, seek - ing word and mel - o - dy;
 3 In our end is our be - gin - ning; in our time, in - fin - i - ty;

(A7) C7 (D) F

in co - coons, a hid - den prom - ise: but - ter - flies will soon be free!
 there's a dawn in ev - ery dark - ness, bring - ing hope to you and me.
 in our doubt there is be - liev - ing; in our life, e - ter - ni - ty.

(D7) (G) (Em) (D) (Bm) (Em) (F#) (Bm)
 F7 Bb Gm F Dm Gm A Dm

In the cold and snow of win - ter there's a spring that waits to be,
 From the past will come the fu - ture; what it holds, a mys - ter - y,
 In our death, a res - ur - rec - tion; at the last, a vic - to - ry,

(G) (Em) (D) (Bm) (Em) (A7) (D)
 Bb Gm F Dm Gm C7 F

un - re - vealed un - til its sea - son, some - thing God a - lone can see.

The writing of this hymn was spurred by a line from the poet T. S. Eliot: "In my end is my beginning."
 Shortly after this piece was completed, the author/composer's husband was diagnosed with what proved to be a terminal malignancy, and the original anthem version of this hymn was sung at his funeral.

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! 239

1 Good Chris-tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the tri - umph
2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Death's might - y stone is
3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that life which
4 Your name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to - day with

of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
rolled a - way. Let all the earth re - joice and say:
can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

This 20th-century Easter text is both a song of encouragement (stanzas 1–3 directed to the congregation) and a song of praise (stanza 4 addressed to the risen Christ), all ending with joyous alleluias. It was written specifically for the dancelike 17th-century tune found here.

TEXT: Cyril A. Alington, 1931, alt.

MUSIC: Melchior Vulpius, 1609; harm. *Pilgrim Hymnal*, 1958

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GELOBT SEI GOTT

8.8.8 with alleluias