

WORSHIP GATHERING

April 12, 2020
Easter Sunday

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come,

New City opens wide her doors and offers
welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Welcome.

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Words and Music by Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, and Michael Bleecker

Come behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man
In His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord, He is alive
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected, as will we be when He comes.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord, He is alive

Call to Worship

Psalm 16

Leader

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices;
my flesh also dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to the grave,
or let your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy;
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

He is Risen!

Congregation

He is Risen, indeed!

Leader

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Come People of the Risen King

Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend

Come people of the Risen King, who delight to bring Him praise
Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace
From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him
Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in

CHORUS

Rejoice rejoice let ev'ry tongue rejoice
One heart one voice
O Church of Christ rejoice

Come those whose joy is morning sun
And those weeping through the night
Come those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight
For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease
But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace

CHORUS

Come young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith
Come those with full or empty hands, find the riches of His grace
Over all the world His people sing, shore to shore we hear them call
The truth that cries through ev'ry age: Our God is all in all

CHORUS X2

Confession of Sin

Leader

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives.

Congregation

We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

*WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US ON YOUR KNEES, OR BOWING
IN YOUR SEAT, FOR PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN.*

Declaration of Pardon

Ephesians 2:4–7

Leader

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

Congregation

In Christ we are forgiven, free, and restored!

Is He Worthy?

Andrew Peterson & Ben Shive

Leader: Do you feel the world is broken?

Congregation: **We do**

Do you feel the shadows deepen? — **We do**

But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? — **We do**

Do you wish that you could see it all made new? — **We do**

Is all creation groaning? — **It is**

Is a new creation coming? — **It is**

Is the glory of the Lord to be the light within our midst? — **It is**

Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? — **It is**

CHORUS

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?

Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?

The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave

He is David's root and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy of this? — **He is**

Does the Father truly love us? — **He does**

Does the Spirit move among us? — **He does**

And does Jesus, our Messiah hold forever those He loves? — **He does**

Does our God intend to dwell again with us? — **He does**

CHORUS

From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue

He has made us a kingdom and priests to God to reign with the Son

Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?

Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this?

He is! Is He worthy? Is He worthy? He is! He is!

The World Had Died in the Night

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The friends of Christ coming at daybreak to the place found the grave empty and the stone rolled away. In varying ways they realized the new wonder; but even they hardly realized that the world had died in the night. What they were looking at was the first day of a new creation, with a new heaven and a new earth; and in a semblance of the gardener God walked again in the garden, in the cool not of the evening but of the dawn.

-G.K. Chesterton, *The Everlasting Man*, 213.

John 10

³The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. ⁴When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice.

John 20

¹Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”—and that he had said these things to her.

Jesus Is Alive

*James Tealy, Jaywan Maxwell, Jesse Reeves, Michael Farren,
Niki Shepherd, Tiarne Tranter*

There is now a hope that lasts beyond our days
For the One that once was buried lives again
Now the tomb is bare and empty and the stone is rolled away
Praise the Risen One who overcame the grave

All you broken hearted, all you worn and weak
Come find living water, everlasting streams
To the wandering spirit, lost and searching, wanting something more
Find the Risen King who overcomes the world

CHORUS

Let there be dancing in the darkness
And let our song break through the night
Lift your voice and sing that Christ is King, for Jesus is Alive!

No more condemnation, no more doubt and fear
For our sin and shame they have no power here
In His resurrection perfect love has set the captives free
Praise the Risen King who stands in victory

CHORUS X2

Hallelujah, death is undone, Hallelujah, Jesus has won
Hallelujah, we overcome, Oh in Jesus, Oh in Jesus (x3)

CHORUS X2

Lift your voice and sing that Christ is King, for Jesus is Alive!

Benediction

from 1 Peter 1

Leader

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.

God in peace!