

# CENTERPORT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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## ONLINE PRAYER & MUSIC SERVICE

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### EASTER HYMN SING

*(All Hymns from: The United Methodist Hymnal)*

#### WELCOME AND OPENING PRAYER

Powerful and life-giving God, you have raised Jesus from the dead. Raise us up, too. Overcome our doubt with your strength, our fear with your grace. Nurture the seed of hope within us, that fresh life might burst through us like buds awakening to spring. Bring Easter to this moment and new possibilities to every day. So may we ever proclaim your praise and rejoice in your love, in the name of Jesus our Risen Lord. Amen.

#### OPENING HYMN # 303

*"The Day of Resurrection"*

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;  
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,  
Our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright  
The Lord in rays eternal, of resurrection light;  
And list'ning to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heav'ns be joyful! Let earth the song begin!  
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein!  
Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend,  
For Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.

#### HYMN # 318

*"Christ Is Alive"*

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. His cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring. His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound, to distant years in Palestine,  
He comes to claim the here and now, and conquer every place and time.

Not throned above, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains,  
But daily, in the midst of life, our Savior, in the God-head reigns.

In every insult, rift and war, where color, scorn or wealth divide,  
He suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive! And comes to bring, Good News to this and every age,  
Till all creation lives and learns, his joy, his justice, love and praise.

HYMN # 322

*"Up From the Grave He Arose"*

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus, my Savior; waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord!  
Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes,  
He arose a Victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign.  
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus, my Savior; Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus, my Lord!  
Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes,  
He arose a Victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign.  
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus, my Savior; He tore the bars away, Jesus, my Lord!  
Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes,  
He arose a Victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever, with His saints to reign.  
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

HYMN #304

*"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"*

Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.  
Christ has brought us heaven's choices; heavenly music, let it ring:  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" Easter people, let us sing.

Fear of death can no more stop us, from our pressing here below.  
For our Risen Lord empowers us, to triumph over every foe.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.

Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.  
When in trouble move the faster, to our God who rights the wrong.  
"Alleluia! Alleluia!" See the power of heavenly throngs.

HYMN #310

*"He Lives"*

I serve a risen Savior, He's in the world today; I know that He is living, whatever foes 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.

*Chorus:* 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, salvation to impart!  
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

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 (*Chorus*)

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 (*Chorus*)

CLOSING PRAYER

May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you and those you hold most dear. And may Christ, Our Risen Savior, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.