

First CRC Worship at Home

April 19, 2020 – First Sunday of Eastertide

Prelude: *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death (video)*

Call to Worship: Anna and Henry K.

This is the good news—the grave is empty; Christ is risen.

Hallelujah!

This is the good news—the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

Hallelujah!

This is the good news—once we were no people; now we are God’s people.

Hallelujah!

Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

Hallelujah!

Welcome and God’s Greeting

Song of Praise: I Know that My Redeemer Lives

Call to Confession: John 3:17-21

Prayer of Confession:

Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess
our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you.

You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.

**Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry
for all we have done to displease you.**

**Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light
and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.**

Amen.

Words of Assurance: John 3:16

Song of Preparation: Come, Holy Ghost

Scripture Reading: John 3:1-8

Sermon: *You Shouldn’t Be Surprised*

Prayer of God’s People

Song: Alleluia, Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven

Scripture for Memorization: Romans 8:1-2

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

God’s Blessing