Sunday 4th April

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Leader: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed. Hallelujah!

Leader: Cristo resucitó

All: En verdad resucitó. ¡Aleluyah!

Song: O Praise the Name

Verse 1

I cast my mind to Calvary Where Jesus bled and died for me I see His wounds His hands His feet

My Saviour on that cursed tree

Verse 2

His body bound and drenched in tears

They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb

The entrance sealed by heavy stone

Messiah still and all alone

Chorus

O praise the Name of the Lord our God

O praise His Name forevermore For endless days we will sing Your praise

Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Verse 3

Then on the third at break of dawn

The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting

The angels roar for Christ the King

Chorus

Verse 4

He shall return in robes of white The blazing sun shall pierce the night

And I will rise among the saints My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Chorus

O Lord, O Lord our God O Lord, O Lord our God

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Confession & Assurance

As we come to God we ask for forgiveness and remind ourselves that when we do so God promises to listen and respond with grace.

Confession of Sin: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, too often haunted by our own mortality. We forget too easily all the blessings that are ours in Christ Jesus and the greatness of your love towards us. We are often pessimistic, we grumble and we forget the joy that is to be found in you. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. (1 Peter 1:3-5)

Old Testament Bible Reading: Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2 He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. 3 He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "O Sovereign LORD, you alone know." 4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, heart he word of the LORD! 5 This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. 6 I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD .' " 7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live.' " 10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet-a vast army. 11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. 14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD .' "

Lectura Biblica: Ezequiel 37:1-14

La mano del SEÑOR vino sobre mí, y su Espíritu me llevó y me colocó en medio de un valle que estaba lleno de huesos. ² Me hizo pasearme entre ellos, y pude observar que había muchísimos huesos en el valle, huesos que estaban completamente secos. ³ Y me dijo: «Hijo de hombre, ¿podrán revivir estos huesos?» Y yo le contesté: «SEÑOR omnipotente, tú lo sabes».

⁴ Entonces me dijo: «Profetiza sobre estos huesos, y diles: "¡Huesos secos, escuchen la palabra del SEÑOR! ⁵ Así dice el SEÑOR omnipotente a estos huesos: 'Yo les daré aliento de vida, y ustedes volverán a vivir. ⁶ Les pondré tendones, haré que les salga carne, y los cubriré de piel; les daré aliento de vida, y así revivirán. Entonces sabrán que yo soy el SEÑOR'"».

⁷Tal y como el SEÑOR me lo había mandado, profeticé. Y mientras profetizaba, se escuchó un ruido que sacudió la tierra, y los huesos comenzaron a unirse entre sí. ⁸ Yo me fijé, y vi que en ellos aparecían tendones, y les salía carne y se recubrían de piel, ¡pero no tenían vida!

⁹ Entonces el SEÑOR me dijo: «Profetiza, hijo de hombre; conjura al aliento de vida y dile: "Esto ordena el SEÑOR omnipotente: 'Ven de los cuatro vientos, y dales vida a estos huesos muertos para que revivan'"». ¹⁰ Yo profeticé, tal como el SEÑOR me lo había ordenado, y el aliento de vida entró en ellos; entonces los huesos revivieron y se pusieron de pie. ¡Era un ejército numeroso!

¹¹ Luego me dijo: «Hijo de hombre, estos huesos son el pueblo de Israel. Ellos andan diciendo: "Nuestros huesos se han secado. Ya no tenemos esperanza. ¡Estamos perdidos!" ¹² Por eso, profetiza y adviérteles que así dice el SEÑOR omnipotente: "Pueblo mío, abriré tus tumbas y te sacaré de ellas, y te haré regresar a la tierra de Israel. ¹³ Y, cuando haya abierto tus tumbas y te haya sacado de allí, entonces, pueblo mío, sabrás que yo soy el SEÑOR. ¹⁴ Pondré en ti mi aliento de vida, y volverás a vivir. Y te estableceré en tu propia tierra. Entonces sabrás que yo, el SEÑOR, lo he dicho, y lo cumpliré. Lo afirma el SEÑOR"».

Pastoral Prayer

Kids' Church Song: Jesus Strong and Kind

Jesus said that if I thirst I should come to Him No one else can satisfy I should come to Him

Jesus said, if I am weak I should come to Him No one else can be my strength I should come to Him

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus, strong and kind

Jesus said that if I fear
I should come to Him
No one else can be my shield
I should come to Him
For the Lord is good and faithful
He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus
Jesus, strong and kind

Jesus said, if I am lost He will come to me And He showed me on that cross He will come to me

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus, strong and kind

For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night We can always run to Jesus Jesus, strong and kind Jesus, strong and kind

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New Testament Bible Reading:

Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. 4 While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. 5 In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? 6 He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 7 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.' "8 Then they remembered his words. 9 When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. 10 It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. 11 But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. 12 Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

Lectura Biblica: Lucas 24:1-12

El primer día de la semana, muy de mañana, las mujeres fueron al sepulcro, llevando las especias aromáticas que habían preparado. ² Encontraron que había sido quitada la piedra que cubría el sepulcro ³ y, al entrar, no hallaron el cuerpo del Señor Jesús. ⁴ Mientras se preguntaban qué habría pasado, se les presentaron dos hombres con ropas resplandecientes. ⁵ Asustadas, se postraron sobre su rostro, pero ellos les dijeron: —¿Por qué buscan ustedes entre los muertos al que vive? 6 No está aquí; ¡ha resucitado! Recuerden lo que les dijo cuando todavía estaba con ustedes en Galilea: 7"El Hijo del hombre tiene que ser entregado en manos de hombres pecadores, y ser crucificado, pero al tercer día resucitará". 8 Entonces ellas se acordaron de las palabras de Jesús. 9 Al regresar del sepulcro, les contaron todas estas cosas a los once y a todos los demás. 10 Las mujeres eran María Magdalena, Juana, María la madre de Jacobo, y las demás que las acompañaban. ¹¹ Pero a los discípulos el relato les pareció una tontería, así que no les creyeron. 12 Pedro, sin embargo, salió corriendo al sepulcro. Se asomó y vio solo las vendas de lino. Luego volvió a su casa, extrañado de lo que había sucedido.

Moment of Reflection

Heidelberg Catechism

Question 45. How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

A. First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he could make us share in the righteousness which he had obtained for us by his death.

Second, by his power we too are raised up to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection.

Question 57. What comfort does the resurrection of the body offer you?

A. Not only shall my soul after this life immediately be taken up to Christ, my Head, but also this my flesh, raised by the power of Christ, shall be reunited with my soul and made like Christ's glorious body.

Question 58. What comfort do you receive from the article about the life everlasting?

A. Since I now already feel in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, I shall after this life possess perfect blessedness, such as no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, a blessedness in which to praise God forever.

Talk

Prayer of Response

Song: Psalm 103

1 Praise God, my soul! With all my heart

Let me exalt his holy name.

- 2 Forget not all his benefits; His praise, my soul, in song proclaim.
- 3 The LORD forgives you all your sins,

And heals your sickness and distress;

4 Your life he rescues from the grave,

And crowns you in his tenderness.

8 The LORD is merciful and kind,To anger slow, and full of grace.9 He will not constantly reprove,Or in his anger hide his face.

10 He does not punish our misdeeds,

Or give our sins their just reward. 11 How great his love—as high as heaven—

Towards all those who fear the LORD!

12 As far as east is from the west, So far his love has borne away Our many sins and trespasses And all the guilt that on us lay. 13 Just as a father loves his child, So God loves those who fear his name.

14 For he remembers we are dust, And well he knows our feeble frame.

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Song: Behold Our God

Verse 1 Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds

Who has held the oceans in His hands Chorus

Who has numbered every grain of Verse 3

Kings and nations tremble at His voice

All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus

Behold our God seated on His throne Come let us adore Him Behold our King nothing can compare

Come let us adore Him

Verse 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord Who can question any of His words Who can teach the One who knows all things

Who has felt the nails upon His hand Bearing all the guilt of sinful man God eternal humbled to the grave Jesus Savior risen now to reign

Chorus

(Bridge)

You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill the earth) (REPEAT 6X)

You will reign forever (Let Your glory fill)

Chorus

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Benediction

Coming up

At the close of the service this morning your City Group has the opportunity to meet online via Zoom. Please contact your City Group leader if you need more info.

This Afternoon

From 4:30 to 5:15pm James Eglinton will be leading us through the final session on understanding the Bible.

You are welcome to join on zoom and the link is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7678145738

Teen Girls Bible Study - Will be taking a break for the Easter holiday!

Cornerstone Social! -The last Saturday of the month until the end of lockdown we will have a social event on Zoom, so mark your calendar accordingly.

City Groups – Will be taking a break for the Easter Holiday and will return the week of April 18th.

Men's Bible Study - Will be taking a break for the Easter Holiday and will return the week of April 18th.

Women's Bible Study – Will be taking a break for the Easter Holiday and will return the week of April 18th.

Old Schoolhouse Updates - Follow the latest at www.osh.org.uk/updates.

Hardship Fund - During this time we really want to help those who are struggling financially, and we've set up a fund for those connected to Cornerstone who need assistance.

If you would like to donate to this fund or apply for help, please contact: AnnaLauren on annalauren@cornerstone-edinburgh.com or Laird (Colin) on colin@cornerstone-edinburgh.com for details.

Giving Information – If you would like to make a donation to the work of Cornerstone in Edinburgh, please follow this link: www.cornerstone-edinburgh.com/donate

Pastoral Care for the whole Church

Our hope is that everyone connected to Cornerstone is taken care of during this time. Please also be proactive in connecting with your City Group leaders and letting them know how you are. Let's be creative about being in touch with others and finding our own ways to connect also. Feel free to contact me, Laird or AnnaLauren at any time if you need help of any kind.

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