

Welcome to Bethany's time of  
**PRAISE & WORSHIP**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
April 7, 2024

***"A New Hallelujah"***

Can you hear, there's a new song  
Breaking out from the children of freedom?  
Every race, and every nation  
Sing it out sing a new hallelujah.  
Let us sing love to the nations  
Bringing hope from the grace that has freed us.  
Make Him known and make Him famous  
Sing it out, sing a new hallelujah.

***Refrain***

Arise, let the church arise.  
Let love reach to the other side.  
Alive, come alive...let the song arise. ***Repeat***

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**RESPONSIVE PRAISE**

P: Arise, church, arise! It's Easter. Jesus is risen,  
and we shall arise.

**C: Sing a new hallelujah.**

P: To every race and every nation:

**C: Sing a new hallelujah.**

P: For the grace that frees us:

**C: Sing a new hallelujah.**

P: For the love that saves us:

**C: Sing a new hallelujah.**

P: In Christ, there is a new creation:

**C: Sing a new hallelujah.**

P: In Christ, the kingdom of God comes:

**C: In Christ, there is a new creation**

P: The Spirit of Jesus renews the face of the earth:

**C: In Christ, there is a new creation.**

**REMEMBERING BETHANY'S MISSION**

P: As a community, gathered by God's great grace,  
we seek to live our mission of:

**C: being, living as, and making disciples of  
Jesus Christ.**

P: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**C: Christ is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

**WELCOME!  
MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS  
& ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION**

***"For the Lord Our God Reigns"***

Let the earth and heaven rejoice;  
for the Lord, our God reigns.  
Ev'ry child of God, lift your voice;  
for the Lord, our God reigns.

***Refrain***

Jesus, Emmanuel; He has set us free.  
Hopeless souls redeemed to tell  
For the Lord, our God reigns;  
for the Lord, our God reigns.

Ev'ry heart be filled with His light;  
for the Lord, our God reigns.

All the hopeless dance with delight;  
for the Lord, our God reigns. ***Refrain***

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**PRAYER FOR TODAY**

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of the  
Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among  
us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection  
in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our  
Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

**BIBLE READINGS**

*Acts 4: 32-35*

*1 John 1:1 – 2:2*

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

**SPECIAL MUSIC: Agape Road  
*"You Are My All in All"***

**THE NICENE CREED**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through Him all things were made. *over →→*

For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day He rose again, in accordance with the scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Congregation sings at beginning and at close:*

**Hear, oh Lord, the sound of my call**

**Hear, oh Lord, and have mercy.**

**My soul is longing for the glory of you.**

**Oh hear, oh Lord, and answer me.**

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*Responses between petitions:*

**L:**...Lord in Your mercy,

**C:** hear our prayer

### 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; And lead us not temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

### *“Create in Me”*

*Refrain*

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

And renew a right spirit within me. *Repeat*

Cast me not away from Your presence, Oh Lord.

Take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation,

And renew a right spirit within me. *Refrain*

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### GOSPEL READING

*John 20: 19-23*

### MESSAGE

### *“You Lifted Me Out”*

*Verse 1*

You turned my way

You heard my cry

You turned my mourning into shouting

Sorrow may last for a night

But with the light

I am seeing

I am singing

*Refrain*

You lifted me out

You lifted me out

And set me dancing dancing

Free now I am free

Your love rescued me

Now it's the anthem I'm singing

*Verse 2*

Many will see

Many will hear

And find You strong enough to save

Many the wonders You have done

Your light has come

I am seeing

I am singing *Refrain*

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### BLESSING

### *“Raise a Hallelujah”*

*Chorus*

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm

Louder and louder

you're gonna hear my praises roar

Up from the ashes hope will arise

Death is defeated the King is alive

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### DISMISSAL

**P:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord... with enthusiasm!

**C:** **Thanks be to God! And we will!**