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alive in the world

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New to our church? We're so glad you're here! To celebrate, we'd love to pledge a \$5 donation on your behalf to a charity of your choice. Supporting other non-profits is something we do every week, and we'd love to include you in that practice. **Simply scan the QR code and fill out the form!**

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- Fill out our Connect Card and place it in the offering plate or hand to a staff member/greeter, or fill out the "Contact Us" form at ccsm-ucc.org
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Today During Worship

During the Passing of the Peace, children (**4th grade and younger**) are invited to attend our **Easter Festival** by exiting out the back door of the Sanctuary with our adult program leaders. Parents/guardians are welcome to accompany kids to help them settle. Children are most welcome to remain in the service! An **Activity basket** with goodies for our younger kiddos can be found in the entry hall (Narthex) at the Kids Table, along with a **Children's Worship Bulletins**. After worship, kids can be picked up in the Buckham Room or meet outside the sanctuary on the lawn for our **Easter Egg Hunt!** We're so glad you're here!

Order of Service

↑ Please rise | Spoken together | Music | *♫*Sung together

Prelude

Overture

Albany Consort

Handel

Welcome

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

↑ Call to Worship

Tony Gallo

Leader: On Friday, we thought the good news had been silenced.

All: On Friday, we thought the good news had taken its last breath.

Leader: On Friday, we thought the good news had been buried. But today,

All: We know the good news is alive and well!

Leader: The good news is dancing!

All: The good news is on the loose!

Leader: The good news is out in the world, calling your name!

All: Alleluia! Even death has lost its sting.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed!

↑ *♫* Opening Song

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

#233, 1, 2 & 4

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Mortal tongues and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, glad heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Let the Victor's people sing, Alleluia!
Where, O death is now your sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, Christ lives to save, Alleluia!
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Christ, like Christ we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

↑ **Sharing the Peace**

Rev. Álvaro Durán

During the Peace, children (4th grade and younger) are invited to attend our Easter Festival by exiting out the back door of the Sanctuary.

↑ **Acclamation**

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! (2x)

↑ **Scripture**

Matthew 28:1-10

Tony Gallo

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary of Magdala came with Mary to inspect the tomb. Suddenly, there was a severe earthquake, and an angel of God descended from heaven, rolled back the stone, and sat on it. The angel's appearance was like lightning, with garments white as snow. The guards shook with fear and fell down as though they were dead. Then the angel spoke, addressing the women:

"Don't be afraid. I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come and see the burial place. Then go quickly and tell the disciples, "He has been raised from the dead, and now goes ahead of you to Galilee. You will see Jesus there. That is the message I have for you."

The women hurried away from the tomb with awe and great joy and ran to carry the good news to the disciples. Suddenly Jesus stood before them and said, "Greetings!" The women came up, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid! Go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

Sermon

Alive in the World

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

Congregational Prayer

Rev. Álvaro Durán

In Unison*

**This beloved prayer, often referred to as the "Lord's Prayer," has been adapted and translated countless times over the centuries. While we've provided two options below, we encourage you to use any version that resonates with you.*

Our Creator, 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom and the power and the glory, Forever. Amen.

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre, venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día. Perdona nuestras ofensas, como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden. No nos dejes caer en tentación y libranos del mal. Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén

Forty-six weeks of the year, our plate offerings support ministries and organizations beyond our Tilton Avenue campus. Six times a year, including today, your gifts help support our general operations and enable us to support our faith community, and our neighbors. Whether you're a guest, regular visitor, or pledging member, today you can directly support our ministry in our North Central neighborhood.

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- **Church Center App:** Download the new Church Center App, tap the “Give” icon at the bottom of the homescreen, add your amount, tap next and select “Plate.”
- **Scan the QR code** to make a gift to the plate offering or the General Fund.
- **Offering Plate:** Place your cash or check in the offering plate.
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- **Online Giving:** Visit CCSM's ccsm-ucc.org/give/ and click the blue “Give” button.
- **Mail:** Send a check to the church office. (225 Tilton Ave, San Mateo, CA 94401)



In addition to our plate offering, we gratefully accept gifts to our General Fund at any time.

Offertory

How Beautiful are the Feet, Break Forth in Joy

Chancel Choir,
Orchestra

↑ **Doxology** (Old 100th)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

Revs. Jessica Vacketta and Álvaro Durán

ALL, and we really mean all, are welcome to share in the celebration of communion. Please join us in coming forward down the center aisle to receive bread (gluten-free available) and juice. For those unable to come forward, communion will be brought to you. Kindly dispose of empty cups in the small bins at the end of the first pew as you return to your seat (we recycle the cups).

TODAS LAS PERSONAS son bienvenidas a compartir de la celebración de la comunión. Por favor, acérquese por el pasillo central para recibir pan (disponible sin gluten) y jugo. Si no puede pasar al frente, la comunión le será traída a usted. Amablemente disponga las copas vacías en los cestos para basura al costado de cada banca en la primera línea al regresar a su asiento (reciclamos vasos)

Communion Meditation

Pastoral Symphony
Handel

Orchestra

↑ **Closing Hymn**

He Lives!

Chalice Hymnal #226

Music is printed in the back of the bulletin.

↑ **Benediction**

Rev. Jessica Vacketta

↑ **Sending Forth**

Hallelujah Chorus

Chancel Choir & Congregation

G.F. Handel (Messiah)

For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth, Hallelujah!
The kingdom of this world; is become
The kingdom of our Lord, And of His Christ
And he shall reign for ever, and ever.
King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah!

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Joys and Concerns *Prayer connects us in love and care, whether we have specific requests or simply wish to hold someone in God's light. Each week, our pastoral care team holds space for our community's joys and concerns. **To share a request**, fill out a Connect Card and place it in our offering plate or give it to an usher or minister, or visit ccsm-ucc.org or the Church Center App.*

Joys and Concerns will be posted in the bulletin next week.

Bulletin Board

If you wish to have an announcement added to the "Bulletin Board," please email Kim Rey at kim@ccsm-ucc.org

PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be CLOSED tomorrow, April 6.

EARTH DAY SUNDAY AT CCSM • April 19 • Join us for a special worship service with reflections from members of our Environmental Justice Ministry, and a coffee hour filled with ways to engage in creation care: demo of portable induction stove, compost pails, letter writing, book recommendations and more.

SLOW READ BOOK CLUB • Next Meeting April 20 • Join Siew Kang and new co-leader Betsy Woodward for a slow, contemplative read of Barbara Brown Taylor's book, *An Altar in the World*. This will be their book for April, May, and June. For more information, contact Siew at internationalchoir@gmail.com



JOIN THE CCSM ACTION NETWORK • Want to see how we show up in the world with compassion, courage, and solidarity? Scan the QR code below to receive timely invitations to vigils, rallies, marches, and community gatherings where your faithful presence matters.

CCSM & YOU: NEW MEMBER LUNCH • Sunday • June 7 • 12:00–2:00 pm • Whether you're new to CCSM or have been around a while, come learn more about our church, explore ways to get involved, and explore why membership might be the right step for you. No pressure, just connection and conversation! Contact Alison Schwandt to learn more or RSVP, alionschwandt@gmail.com —we'd love to welcome you more fully into the life of our church!



For Staff, CCSM Board, and Ministries leads, go to ccsm-ucc.org/welcome/#staff or scan the QR code. To contact your CCSM Board, email Board@ccsm-ucc.org. To contact anyone in the Council of Ministries, email COM@ccsm-ucc.org. To contact the church office, email cmontara@ccsm-ucc.org

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He Lives!

1. I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, he's in the world to - day;
 2. In all the world a - round me I see his lov - ing care,
 3. Re - joice, re - joice, O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing

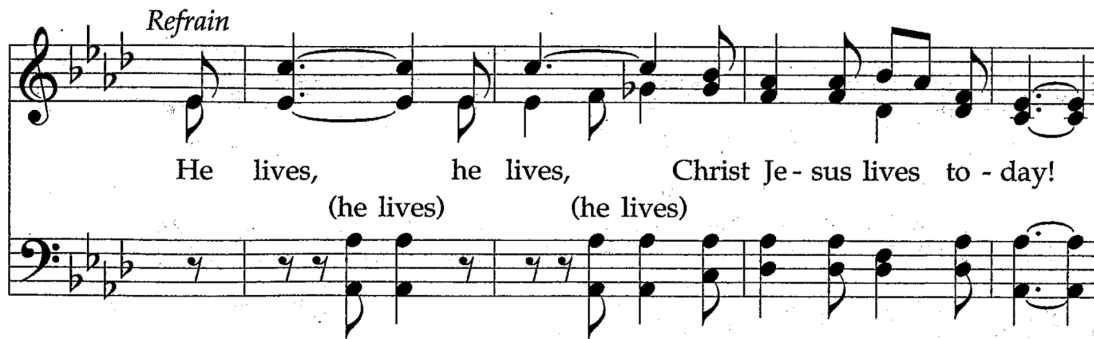
I know that he is liv - ing, what - ev - er oth - ers say.
 and though my heart grows wea - ry, I nev - er will de - spair.
 e - ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ the King!

I see his hand of mer - cy, I hear his voice of cheer,
 I know that he is lead - ing through all the storm - y blast;
 The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;

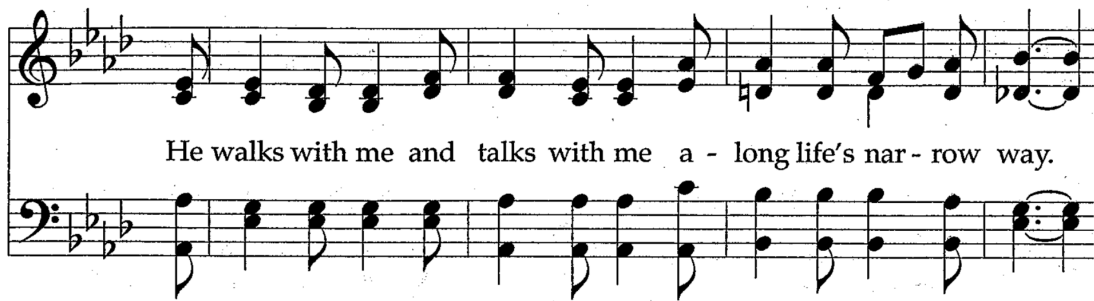
and just the time I need him, he's al - ways near.
 the day of his ap - pear - ing will come at last.
 none oth - er is so lov - ing, so good and kind.

RESURRECTION AND EXALTATION

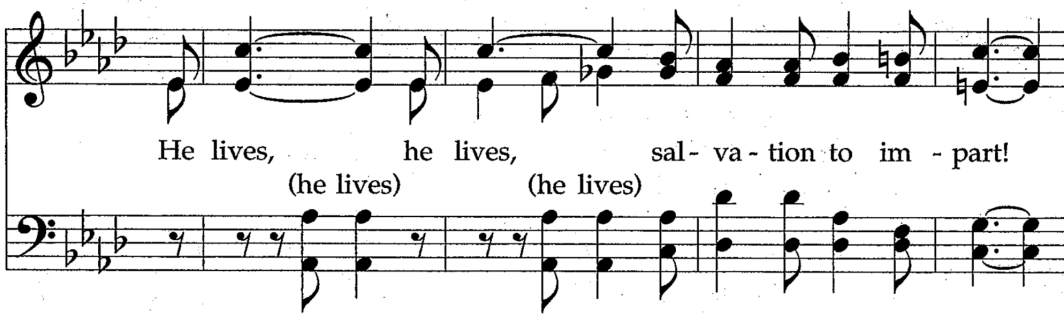
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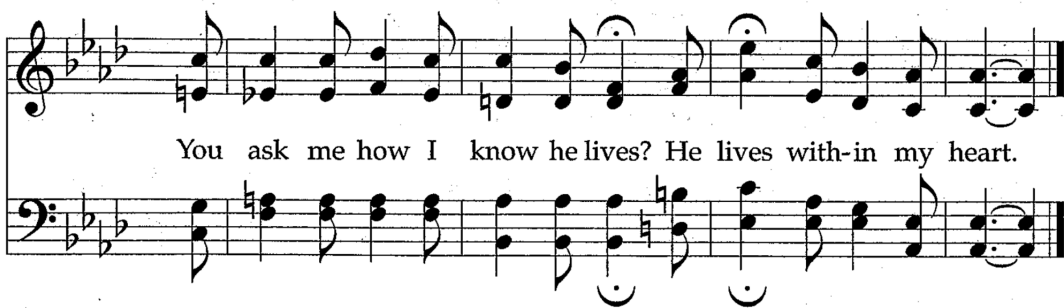
He lives, he lives, Christ Je-sus lives to-day!
(he lives) (he lives)



He walks with me and talks with me a-long life's nar-row way.



He lives, he lives, sal-va-tion to im-part!
(he lives) (he lives)



You ask me how I know he lives? He lives with-in my heart.