

Christ Our Shepherd Lutheran Church

Peachtree City, Georgia

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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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P= Pastor **A** = All **L** = Leader

PRELUDE: OH HAPPY DAY

Chorus (2x)

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

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When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)

Oh, when He washed (When Jesus washed)

When Jesus washed (When Jesus washed)

He washed my sins away (Oh, happy day)

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

Verse

He taught me how (He taught me how)

To watch, watch and pray

Watch and pray

And live rejoicing every day

Every day

Chorus

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Watch and pray

And live rejoicing every day (Good god)

Every day

Ending

Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)

Oh, it's a happy day (Oh, happy day) Oh,

lord (Oh, happy day)

Mmm, good God (Oh, happy day)

Oh yeah (Oh, happy day)

Mmm, oh (Oh, happy day)

Ephesian Church of God in Christ, Berkeley, California
Pavilion/Buddah

Songwriter(s): Edwin Hawkins (based on 1775 hymn)

Producer(s): Edwin Hawkins

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

OPENING SONG: HOSANNA (PRAISE IS RISING)

Verse 1

Praise is rising

Eyes are turning to You

We turn to You

Hope is stirring

Hearts are yearning for You

We long for You

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You

We find strength to face the day

In Your presence

All our fears are washed away

(Washed away)

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna

You are the God who saves us

Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Verse 2

Hear the sound of

Hearts returning to You

We turn to You

In Your Kingdom

Broken lives are made new

You make us new

Pre-Chorus

'Cause when we see You

We find strength to face the day

In Your presence

All our fears are washed away

(Washed away)

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna

You are the God who saves us

Worthy of all our praises

Hosanna hosanna

Come have Your way among us

We welcome You here Lord Jesus

Ending

Hosanna hosanna

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↑ PRAYER OF THE DAY

📖 Let us pray.

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

🙏 Amen.

FIRST LESSON: 1 Peter 1:3-9

📖 Our lesson today is from the First Epistle of Peter, the chapter one.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

📖 Word of God, Word of Life.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

↑ GOSPEL: John 20:19-31

📖 The Gospel according to John, the 20th chapter.

🙏 Glory to you, O Lord.

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ▶

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them,

🙏 "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."

Thomas answered him,

🙏 "My Lord and my God!"

Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🙏 Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

↑ SONG OF THE DAY: RAISE A HALLELUJAH

Verse 1

**I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me**

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**

Verse 2

**I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me**

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**

▶

Bridge 1

Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)

Bridge 2 (2x)

Sing a little louder (in the presence of my enemies)
Sing a little louder (louder than the unbelief)
Sing a little louder (my weapon is a melody)
Sing a little louder (Heaven comes to fight for me)

Chorus (2x)

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

Ending

I raise a hallelujah

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OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

Let us confess our baptismal faith together.

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

When the petition concludes "Hear us, O God," please respond, "**your mercy is great.**"

When the prayers conclude, please respond, "**Amen.**"

OFFERING

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We acknowledge that you may have given Online or through the mail. Thank you.

**OFFERING SONG: HOSANNA***Verse 1*

I see the King of glory
Coming on the clouds with fire
The whole earth shakes
The whole earth shakes yeah

Verse 2

I see His love and mercy
Washing over all our sin
The people sing
The people sing

Chorus

Hosanna hosanna
Hosanna in the highest
Hosanna hosanna
Hosanna in the highest

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name; your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread; forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SHARING COMMUNION AT CHURCH**or at home with your household**

*Please approach the altar as directed by an usher.
You will be offered a wafer, and you may dip it into
the chalice containing wine or white grape juice.
Or, you may choose a prepackaged kit.
(including Gluten-free versions)*

COMMUNION SONG: HOSANNA*Verse 3*

**I see a generation
Rising up to take their place
With selfless faith
With selfless faith**

Verse 4

**I see a near revival
Stirring as we pray and seek
We're on our knees
We're on our knees**

Chorus

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POST-COMMUNION BLESSING and BENDICTION

☞ The God of all,
who raised ✝ Jesus from the dead,
bless you by the power of the Holy Spirit
to live in the new creation.

☞ Amen.**SENDING SONG: OH HAPPY DAY***Chorus (2x)*

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Verse

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*Chorus*

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Watch and pray
And live rejoicing every day (Good god)
Every day**

Ending

**Oh, happy day (Oh, happy day)
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lord (Oh, happy day)
Mmm, good God (Oh, happy day)
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DISMISSAL

- ☞** Go in peace. Serve in love.
Invite all to join in connecting
to Jesus' pathway of joy and life.
- ☞** Thanks be to God.