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**Second Sunday of Easter**

April 7, 2024

The sun will rise, the sun will rise  
Bringing life to the earth as it springs from the ground  
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Won't you dry all your tears, lay your burdens down  
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**The Sun Will Rise**  
By David Gungor

## **Call to Worship**

*Take some time to make yourself  
present to the God who makes  
himself present to us.*





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# Psalm 133

- 1 How very good and pleasant it is  
when kindred live together in unity!
- 2 It is like the precious oil on the head,  
running down upon the beard,  
on the beard of Aaron,  
running down over the collar of his robes.
- 3 It is like the dew of Hermon,  
which falls on the mountains of Zion.  
For there the Lord ordained his blessing,  
life forevermore.



Who formed the mountains?

And filled the oceans?

Our God alone

Our God alone

Who took the dust

and breathed life in us?

Our God alone

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**Our God Alone**

By David Gungor

**Praise Through Song**

*Let these songs help you express in heart, mind, and body your need for and adoration of God.*

Alleluia  
Alleluia  
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Who came from heaven  
For our redemption?  
Our God alone  
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Who died for sin  
That we may live?  
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Who rose again  
Death could not win?  
Our God alone  
Our God alone

Who is returning  
Bringing a Kingdom?  
Our God alone  
Our God alone

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I lift my eyes up to the hills  
This my morning song  
Where my strength comes from

I lift my eyes up to the hills  
This my evening song  
Where my help comes from

## **Gravity of Love**

By Jon Arndt, David Gungor, Matt Maher

## **Praise Through Song**

*Let these songs help you express in heart, mind, and body your need for and adoration of God.*

This is the gravity of love  
Just as the moon follows the sun  
You're all around me  
You're holding ev'rything

This is the hope of ev'ry land  
Just as the universe expands  
Your love is reaching  
You're holding ev'rything

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We lift our eyes up to the hills  
When will our help come  
Lord we cry, how long

We lift our eyes up to the hills  
Even as we run  
Hope is chasing us

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I see infinite stars  
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And with all of these suns  
I know I am not alone

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Oh God!  
You never leave my side  
Your love  
Stands firm through all my life

**Oh God**

By Zach Bolen

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*If you are a guest, please do not feel obliged to give. If you would like to and are able:*

Checks can be made payable to **Kaleidoscope Church** and mailed to:

17 Silver Fern  
Irvine CA 92603

Or you can place physical checks and cash in the offering box at the back of church.

Or you can give using QR code:



## **Offering**

*The discipline of offering helps loosen our grip on that which has the power to possess us, inviting us into the weekly practice of generosity, gratitude and simplicity.*

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This is my Father's world  
And to my listening ears  
All nature sings and round me rings  
The music of the spheres



**This is My Father's World**  
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I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas  
His hand the wonders wrought



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This is my Father's world  
The birds their carols raise  
The morning light, the lily white  
Declare their Maker's praise



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He shines in all that's fair  
In the rustling grass I hear Him pass  
He speaks to me everywhere



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O let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong  
God is the ruler yet



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Why should my heart be sad  
The Lord is king, let the heaven's ring  
God reigns, let the earth be glad



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# **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

LEADER: Christ is risen!

**PEOPLE: He is risen indeed!**

## **Greeting**

*Let us now take a few minutes to  
greet one another in the peace of the  
Lord.*



**10:00**



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# Quarter 2 Volunteer Sign-Ups!

We're coming up on the second quarter of 2024 and we're looking for more people to volunteer to help keep our Sunday services running smoothly!

**Commitment:** 3 months

**Frequency:** Once every 2-3 weeks

**Roles:** Welcome Team, Scripture Readers, Communion Servers, Snacks, Children's Ministry, Emcee, Soundboard, Worship Team, Slides

*Most urgent needs: Slides & Children's Ministry*

If you're interested or want more information about any of these roles before you sign up, please contact Katie Hiew at [katie.heemstra@gmail.com](mailto:katie.heemstra@gmail.com) or 530-906-7256.

**Announcements**

# Prayer of Illumination

Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word is proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today.  
Amen.

**Hearing God's Word**

## Acts 4:32-35

32 Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. 33 With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. 34 There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold.

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## Acts 4:32-35

35 They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

**READER:**       The Word of the Lord.

**ALL:**           **Thanks be to God.**

**Hearing God's Word**

## John 20:19-31

19 When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” 22 When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

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24 But Thomas (who was called the Twin[a]), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 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.”

26 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.” 27 Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my

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## John 20:19-31

hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” 28 Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” 29 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.”

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. 31 But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the

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## John 20:19-31

Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

**READER:**       The Gospel of our Lord.

**ALL:**            **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Hearing God's Word**



# **Faith in a Wounded God: The Case for Un-canceling Thomas**

Megan Soun

**Hearing God's Word**

“Lisa's husband was a real **doubting Thomas** when she told him she'd won the lottery. He demanded to check the ticket himself.”

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# John 20:25

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no	not	Will I believe

“Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the mark of the nails and put my hand into the his side, I absolutely will not believe.”

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# What is Thomas' problem?

Confusion about the notion of resurrection

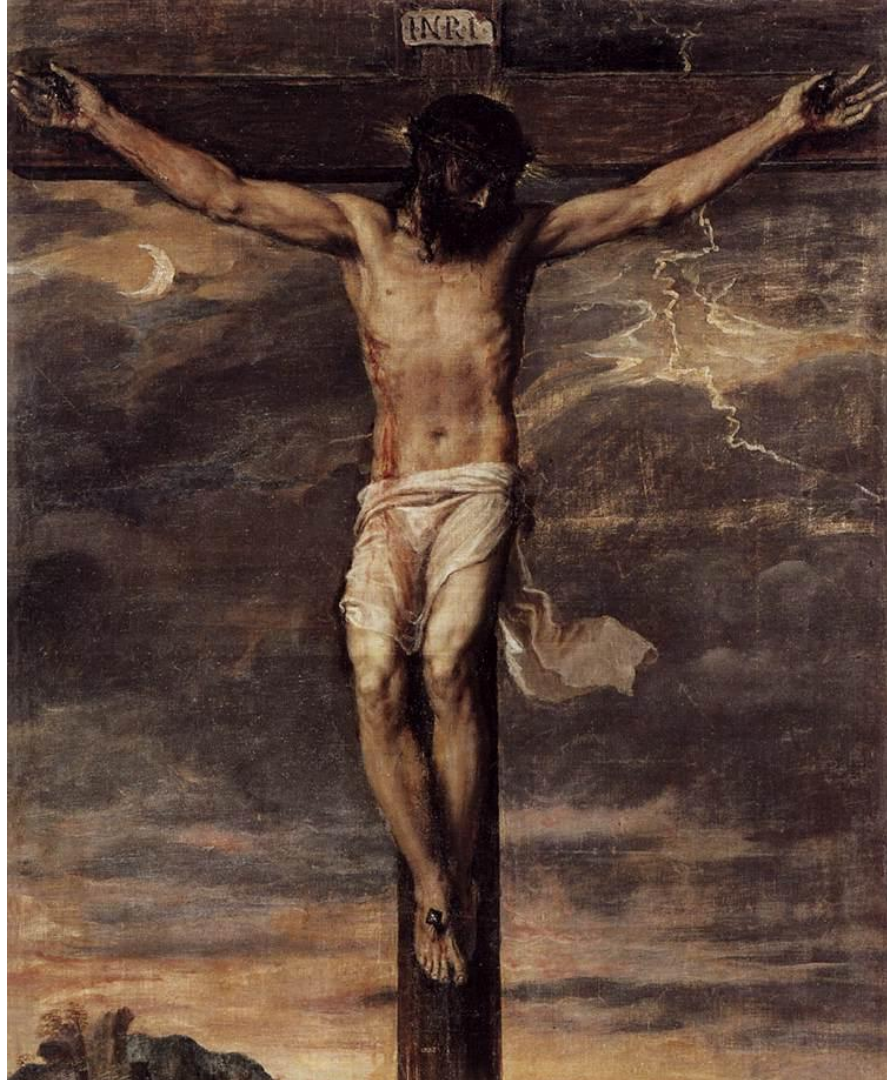
Deep understanding of Jesus as the *crucified God*

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It is only through the *wounds* of Christ that Thomas knows this is Jesus, his Lord and his God.

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*Crucifixion by Titian*

# Matthew 16:15-23

15 He said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” 16 Simon Peter answered, “You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.” 17 And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you but my Father in heaven...

21 “From that time on, Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes and be killed and on the third day be raised. 22 And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you.” 23 But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan!”

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*Organized Dishwasher*

# 1 Corinthians 1:21-25

21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the **foolishness** of the proclamation, to save those who believe. 22 For Jews ask for signs and Greeks desire wisdom, 23 but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and **foolishness** to gentiles, 24 but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 For God's **foolishness** is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

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**Hearing God's Word**

Surely I am with you always;  
to the very end of the age.

– **Jesus**

Mt 28:20

**Silence**

*Take a moment to pause in silence  
and tend to God's still small voice.*

# Prayer of Confession

Most merciful God,

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

## [Pause for Reflection]

We are truly sorry and we earnestly repent.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name.

Amen.

## **Confession**

*In the hands of grace, confession becomes for us a gift to help realign ourselves with God's good intentions for us.*

# Assurance of Pardon

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for us; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

Psalm 118:8, 11-12

**All: Thanks be to God.**

## **Confession**

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The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me.”

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

**1 Corinthians 11:23-26**

## **Eucharist**

*The term Eucharist literally means “good gift.” In gathering around the bread and the cup we celebrate together God’s good gift of himself to us.*

Speak O Lord as we come to You  
to receive the food of Your holy Word  
Take Your truth plant it deep in us,  
shape and fashion us in Your likeness

That the light of Christ might be seen today  
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith  
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us  
all Your purposes for Your glory

## Speak O Lord

By Keith Getty, Stuart Townend

### **Eucharist**

*Come receive the bread and cup.  
When you have been served return  
to your seat with elements in hand.  
When everyone has been served we  
will eat and drink together.*

*Take some time (before or after  
receiving the elements) to  
recognize those whom Christ has  
called to join you around his table.*



Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
holy reverence, true humility  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
in the radiance of Your purity  
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see  
Your majestic love and authority  
Words of pow'r that can never fail,  
let their truth prevail over unbelief

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Speak O Lord and renew our minds,  
help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
that will echo down through eternity

And by grace we'll stand on Your promises  
and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us  
Speak O Lord till Your Church is built  
and the earth is filled with Your glory

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# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those  
who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from the evil one.

For yours is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory, forever and ever.

Amen.

Each of us has sinned  
Turned our back on Him  
Fallen far from the glory of God  
Still You made a way  
Called us out by name  
Now we know the love of our God

**For the Life of the World**

By Glenn Packiam, Jon Egan

**Song of Response**

*Let this song be a response to what  
God has spoken to you this morning.*

For us and for our salvation  
You came from heaven to earth  
For love You carried the cross,  
Crucified for the life of the world

## **For the Life of the World**

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Up from the grave  
You arose  
Lifted high, Jesus  
You will come again  
You will reign  
Jesus, reign!

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# Benediction

May today there be peace within.

May you trust God that you are exactly  
where you are meant to be.

May you not forget the infinite possibilities  
that are born of faith.

May you use those gifts you have received  
and pass on the love that has been given to you.

May you be content that you are a child of God.

Let this presence settle into your bones and allow your soul  
the freedom to sing, dance, praise and love.

It is there for each and every one of us.

Amen.

## Benediction

*A benediction is a “good word.”*

**Teresa of Ávila**

*As you go back out into the  
world may you receive God’s  
good word of blessing on you.*



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