

“Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (verses 1,3 & 4)

1 Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.

3 We share our mutual woes,
our mutual burdens bear,
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.

4 When we are called to part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.

“Christ The Lord Is Risen Today” (verses 1 & 4)

1 Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

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



Easter Sunrise Service

**Hosted by the Friends and Members of
Centre Congregational Church Lynnfield MA**

**April 20, 2025 at 5:45 AM
7 Oak Street, Newhall Park Lynnfield MA**

Rev. Thomas Bentley

Words of Welcome

Call and Response

Leader: Our long journey through the darkness is over!

All: We have danced into the light of Jesus' resurrection!

Leader: No more do we need to fear!

All: No more will we feel that we are alone and lost!

Leader: Jesus lives in our hearts and our spirits!

All: Jesus calls us to be a source of hope and joy for others!

Leader: Alleluia!

All: Alleluia!

Opening Prayer *(in unison)*

O God, we thank you for sending Jesus to proclaim your peace, and that you are God of all. We give you thanks that the forces of evil could destroy neither him nor your peace. We gather to worship you and to proclaim that we are your Easter people. By your Holy Spirit help us preach your peace by the way we live, in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

Opening Song: “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today” Verses 1 & 4

Scripture Reading

Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked

up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Lord's Prayer (*in unison*)

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever, Amen.

Message: “Looking for Jesus” Rev. Thomas Bentley

Closing song: “Blest Be the Tie That Binds” (verses 1,3 & 4)

Benediction **Rev. Thomas Bentley**

