

Closing Hymn #243 *“Christ is Alive!”*

Offering Reminder (online giving is available at www.cedarvilleunited.org)

Charge and Blessing

Benediction #238 Refrain *“Because He Lives”*

Postlude

Opening Hymn #234 *“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”*

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! All creation, join to say Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

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!

Closing Hymn #243 *“Christ Is Alive!”*

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound to distant years in Palestine,
but saving, healing, here and now and touching every place and time.

Not throned afar, remotely high, untouched, unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life, our Savior in the Godhead reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war, where color, scorn or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Benediction #238 Refrain: *“Because He Lives”*

Because he lives I can face tomorrow; because he lives all fear is gone;
because I know he holds the future, and life is worth the living just because he lives.