

The background is a close-up photograph of a stone wall made of large, light-colored rectangular blocks. A white rectangular frame is centered on the wall, containing the text 'EZRA' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The letters are stacked vertically, with 'EZ' on the top line and 'RA' on the bottom line.

EZRA

*Revival In
the Ruins*

Working In Hope

March 8 | 9 & 11 am

Holy Communion

All hymns & song lyrics are included in the bulletin.

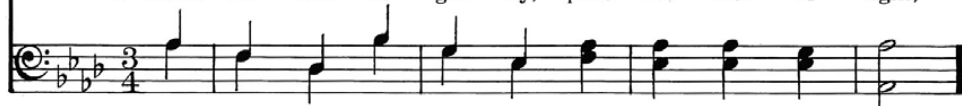
Congregational responses are indicated in **bold**.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Verses 1-4



1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
3. To all, life Thou giv - est, to both great and small;
4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,



In light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
Nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, Thou rul - est in might;
In all life Thou liv - est, the true life of all.
Thine an - gels a - dore Thee, all veil - ing their sight,



Most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
Thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
We blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
All praise we would ren - der; Oh, help us to see



Al - might - y, vic - to - rious, Thy great name we praise.
Thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
And with - er and per - ish— but naught chang - eth Thee.
Tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth Thee.



The Acclamation for Lent

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
His mercy endures for ever.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Collect for the 3rd Sunday of Lent

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

[Please be seated.]

The Lesson.....Ezra 5: 6-17
Pew Bible pg. 392

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The Psalm..... 121: 1-4

- 1 I will lift up my eyes unto the hills; *
from whence comes my help?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, *
who has made heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved, *
and he who keeps you will not sleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep.

[Please stand.]

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Gospel ReadingMatthew 5: 13-18

Pew Bible pg. 810

This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, Lord Christ.

[Please be seated.]

The Sermon The Rev. Ben Hughes

[Please stand.]

The Nicene Creed

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. *Amen.***

[Please sit or kneel.]

The Prayers of the People

If you would like us to name someone aloud in prayer in the service next week, please notify the office during the week.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

**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.
We are truly sorry and we humbly 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.***

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Comfortable Words

The minister may say one or more of the following sentences, first saying:

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.
Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,
that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ
the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours
only, but also for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

[Please stand.]

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

Announcements

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

The Sursum Corda

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 him thanks and praise.

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give
thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

[On occasion the minister may add a proper preface.]

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and
Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing
this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

**Holy, holy, holy is the Lord, God Almighty
Who was and is, and is to come,
Lift up His name with the sound of singing,**

**Lift up His name in all the earth.
Lift up your voice and give Him glory,
For He is worthy to be praised.
Holy. Holy.**

[Please be seated.]

The Prayer of Consecration

All praise and glory is yours, O God our heavenly Father, for in your tender mercy, you gave your only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there, by his one offering of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and he instituted, and in his Holy Gospel commanded us to continue, a perpetual memory of his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For on the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me.”

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

And here we offer and present to you, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice. We humbly pray that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, be filled with your grace and heavenly benediction, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

**By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.**

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray:

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
and the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.**

Amen.

The Fraction

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Ministration of Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All baptized believers are welcome to receive Holy Communion.
Hold onto your bread to dip it in the cup, unless you prefer to drink.*

*Parents of baptized children are welcome to decide whether you would like
your children to receive Holy Communion or a blessing.*

*To receive a blessing instead of communion,
simply keep your hands by your side or folded.*

If you require a gluten-free or alcohol-free cup, please ask the minister.

Upon Him

Rozier / Guerra / Redman

Upon a hill a perfect Saviour
Upon that day the greatest love
The punishment that should have fallen on us
Upon Him upon Him

Upon His head a crown of thorns
Upon His heart a broken world
The wage of sin the weight of our transgressions
Upon Him upon Him

Chorus: Christ has died
 We are forgiven
 And Christ alive
 We are the risen
 And He shall come again
 Praise the King
 Praise the King

Upon our hearts His name is written
The King of Kings and Lord of Lords
We're pouring out a song of praise together
Upon Him upon Him

Bridge: One name upon our lips
 Jesus
 No greater name than this
 Jesus
 And ev'ry knee will bow
 Ev'ry heart confess
 Jesus Jesus

I Know a Name

Lake / Bentley / Sooter / Furtick

I know a Name
That can silence roaring waves
I know a Name
That can empty out a grave
I know a Name
It's the only Name that saves
And it's worthy of all praise

Chorus: I call You Jesus
I call You I call You Healer
Risen and reigning in power
Something comes out of the grave
Every time I call You Jesus
I call You I call You Savior
Worthy of glory forever
Something comes out of the grave
(Every time I call Your Name)

I have a King
With dominion over death
He holds the keys
In his holy nail-scarred hands
He is the heel
That has crushed the serpent's head
Our resurrected Great I Am

Bridge 1: Every time I call Your Name
Chains break dry bones wake
Every time I call Your Name
The gates of hell shake

Bridge 2: Where oh death is now your sting
And where oh grave your victory

Bridge 3: Dead things come alive
Dead things come alive
Dead things come alive
In the name of Jesus

Never Lost

Brown / Furtick / Hudson

Miracles when You move
Such an easy thing for You to do
Your hand is moving right now
You are still showing up
At the tomb of every Lazarus
Your voice is calling me out

Pre-Chorus: Right now I know You're able
My God come through again

Chorus: You can do all things
You can do all things but fail
'Cause You've never lost a battle
No You've never lost a battle
And I know I know You never will

Everything's possible
By the power of the Holy Ghost
A new wind is blowing right now
Breaking my heart of stone
Taking over like it's Jericho
My walls are all crashing down

Bridge: You've never lost a battle
You've never lost a battle
You've never lost a battle
You never will

The Post Communion Prayer & Blessing

On occasion the minister may invite the congregation to join in the Post Communion Prayer below.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father,

**We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out to do
the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever.**

Amen.

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. *

**On occasion members of this congregation like to add "alleluia, alleluia" to the dismissal.*



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