



From the Desk of Pastor Meyer

**An Easter Poem:
The Crucified & Risen King**

On that first-day morning,
The women did bring
Spices and aloes
To bury their King.

They heard His last words,
They saw His last breath;
They thought it was certain:
The King met His death.

The women went early
While dark was the sky,
As dark as their spirits,
For their King, He did die.

Their journey was fogged
With horror and pain;
No memory or hope of
Th' King's promises, plain.

Their worry was simple:
"Who would roll back the stone?"
But the seal had been broken -
The King's body was gone!

They saw two men sitting
Where the body had laid
And heard them proclaim
"The King rose from the grave!"

He's not here! He has risen!
Evil's plans are undone!
The Crucified lives!
The King - Victory won!"

This new Easter morn,
He's risen, indeed!
Christ Jesus the Lord:
Our Res'rected King

As God's Easter people,
Redeemed and restored,
We live with this joy:
The King is our Lord.

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Just a few, brief housekeeping items:

First, thank you to all who helped cover my emergency absence on March 17: those who set up things for Jenell's funeral the next day, the acolyte who stepped in when another became ill, the elders who helped cover, and especially Pastor Judge who, although he doesn't look like me, did a yoeman's job standing in for me. *Thank you for your willing, servant's heart, Brother.* Second, to all who helped with Jenell's service and provided food for the family - thank you. Third, to all who helped with Easter breakfast, the kids' egg hunt, and the two services – thank you. And, finally, a special word of thanks to Seda for the extra hours she put in during the season of Lent, making sure all the extra services were properly printed and the logistics were well organized. *You are a gift of God to me and to Zion.*

Don't forget that midweek Bible study will begin on April 10 at 7pm, taking the time slot that has been used by the midweek Lenten services. We'll do a one-off study that night with our topic to be determined by those who attend. Bring your ideas. Note: Revelation and Daniel need not apply. 😊