

BENEDICTION

**Every morning is Easter morning from now on!
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Goodbye guilt, goodbye fear, good riddance!
Hello, Lord, Hello Sun!
I am one of the Easter people! My new life has begun.

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Daily news is so bad it seems the Good News seldom gets heard.
Get it straight from the Easter people! God's in charge;
spread the word!

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Yesterday I was bored and lonely, but today look and see!
I belong to the Easter people; life's exciting to me!

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that we are

Go now in peace.
Go out now as God's witnesses to testify that Christ has
been raised and that we are raised with Him.
May the love of God surround you everywhere you may go.

Please join us for coffee in the dining room.

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EASTER SUNRISE

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GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord is risen!

HE IS RISEN INDEED! HALLELUJAH!

Call to Worship

Almighty God,
Through Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us
the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we, who celebrate the
day of our Lord's resurrection, May, by the renewing of
your Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of
righteousness; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

WERE YOU THERE?

(1st floor) **Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

(move in silence to 2nd floor, by elevator or stairs)
(2nd floor)

Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

(move in silence to 3rd floor)
(3rd floor)

Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble,
Were you there when the sun refused to shine?

(entering the roof)

Were you there when He rose up from the grave?
Were you there when He rose up from the grave?
Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble.
Were you there when He rose up from the grave?

Daybreak

Sharon Boland

Scripture:

John 20: 1-18

Maurice Mazel

This is the gospel of our Risen Lord.

PRAISE BE TO YOU, LORD JESUS CHRIST.

HOMILY

Sandra Ojeda-Medina

Prayers of the People

Please share with us your concerns and thanksgivings and we
will respond

HEAR OUR PRAYER, O LORD

Let us now join in the prayer that our Lord taught us:
Lord's Prayer

Hymn The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

1. **The strife is o'er, the battle done; the victory of life
is won; the song of triumph has begun; Alleluia!**
2. **The powers of death have done their worst, but
Christ their legions hath dispersed; let shouts of
holy joy outburst; Alleluia!**
3. **Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee, from
death's dread sting thy servants free, that we may
live, and sing to thee; Alleluia!**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!