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~Morning Service of Worship~

The Lord's Day - April 12, 2020

Resurrection Sunday

10:45 AM

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ! If you are a guest with us, please sign our Welcome pads when they are passed at the start of the service. Children are welcome in our worship. We have a nursery available for children 3 and under. Children 4-5 years of age may be dismissed to Children's Worship prior to the sermon.

Prelude

***Song of Assembly - Up from the Grave He Arose #276**

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior,
Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

[Refrain:]

Up from the grave He arose (He arose!);
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes (He arose!);
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
and He lives forever with His saints to reign.
He arose! (He arose!) He arose! (He arose!) Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior,
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

[Refrain]

Dear cannot keep his prey, Jesus my Savior;
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

[Refrain]

(Robert Lowery, 1874)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship - 1 Peter 1:3

Pastor: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Congregation: *According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead."*

Pastor: Alleluia! He is Risen!

Congregation: *He is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

Invocation

New Testament Reading - Romans 6:1-11

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

***Hymn of Praise - Christ the Lord is Risen Today #277 (vs 1-4)**

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: 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!
Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

(Charles Wesley, 1739)

Old Testament Reading - Job 19:23-27

“Oh that my words were written!
Oh that they were inscribed in a book!
Oh that with an iron pen and lead
they were engraved in the rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives,
and at the last He will stand upon the earth.
And after my skin has been thus destroyed,
yet in my flesh I shall see God,
whom I shall see for myself,
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.
My heart faints within me!

Prayer of Confession - Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned Him Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before Him or acknowledged His rule in our lives as we should.

We confess that too often we have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give Him glory.

Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules that world and is head of His body, the church.
Amen.

Assurance of Pardon - Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely He has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed Him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But He was pierced for our transgressions;
He was crushed for our iniquities;
upon Him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with His wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to His own way;
and the LORD has laid on Him
the iniquity of us all.

***Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs** - The Power of the Cross

Oh, to see the dawn of the darkest day;
Christ on the road to Calvary;
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then
Nailed to a cross of wood.

*Chorus: This the power of the Cross;
Christ became sin for us;
Took the blame, bore the wrath;
We stand forgiven at the Cross!*

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face,
Bearing the awesome weight of sin;
Every bitter tho't, every evil deed
Crowning Your blood-stained brow.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life;
“Finished!” the vict'ry cry!

Oh, to see my name written in the wounds,
For thro' Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,
Won thro' Your selfless love!
This the power of the Cross; Son of God slain for us.
What a love, what a cost! We stand forgiven at the Cross!

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In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My Comforter, my All in All;
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh;
Fullness of God in helpless babe.
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save;
'Til on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay;
Light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;

For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ!

No guilt in life, no fear in death;
This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

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Ministry of Prayer - TE Caleb Ehmke

Worshipping God with His Tithes and Our Offerings

Special Music - Because He Lives (Amen)

Ministry of the Word - "He is Risen!"
Luke 24:1-12
Rev. Jackie D. Gaston

***Hymn of Response** - Because He Lives (#292) vs 1,3

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus,
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave to there to prove my Savior 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.

And then one day I'll cross the river,
I'll fight life's final war with pain;
And then as death gives way to victory,
I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives.
Because He lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds to future.
And life is worth the living, just because He lives.

(Bill and Gloria Gaither, 1971)

***Benediction**

Postlude

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~Evening Service of Worship~

The Lord's Day - April 5, 2020

6:00 PM

(No Evening Service tonight)