

"I can do all things through him who strengthens me."
Philippians 4:13 ESV

March Celebrations - Happy Birthday!

- 2 Adina Petruț
- 6 Dana Bouru
- 12 Nathanael Petruț
- 14 Bianca Vizitiu
- 15 Adrian Jurca
- 20 Abigail Felecan
- 21 Natalia Baciu
- 21 Daniela Sav
- 22 Ricardo Cociuba
- 23 Estera Cătălan
- 24 Joshua Țurcaș
- 28 Liviu Cătălan
- 31 Eva Haiduc

GOD BLESS YOU!

"The Lord bless you and keep you;
the Lord make his face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you;
the Lord lift up his countenance upon you
and give you peace." Numbers 6:24-26 ESV

Announcements (Anunțuri):

- Youth Bible Study - 7pm, every Friday!
- March 3rd - Ladies Fellowship, Tuesday, 7:00pm
- March 6th-8th - guest speaker Cornel Avram
- Kids/Youth Easter Play - please attend the practice

- în fiecare zi de sâmbătă muncim la noua locație
- în fiecare zi de joi postim și ne rugăm pt. biserică



What did Jesus do after the Resurrection? (desiringgod)
Have you ever wondered why Jesus didn't immediately ascend to heaven after His resurrection? It's a part of the resurrection story we often skip past. We celebrate the empty tomb, we sing the songs of victory, but then we fast-forward straight to the ascension. We rarely pause to ask: What did Jesus do after the resurrection? And yet, the forty days between the resurrection and ascension were far from silent. Jesus was active, intentional, and pastoral. What was He doing? And what does it mean for us? The answer isn't just historical—it's personal. Those forty days were not filler. They were intentional. And they reveal something about the heart of our Savior and how He shepherds His people, even today. Let's look at five reasons Jesus remained on earth for forty days after His resurrection.

1. He Proved He Was Truly Alive

The resurrection wasn't a spiritual metaphor. It was a physical, historical reality. In a world of skeptics, and even doubting disciples, Jesus made it unmistakably clear: He had really risen. He wasn't a vision, a ghost, or a legend. He stood in front of them, spoke with them, showed them His scars, and even ate with them (Luke 24:39-43). He appeared first to the women at the tomb, then to Peter. Then, to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus. Then, to the ten disciples behind locked doors. Then, to Thomas. And finally, to over 500 people at once (1 Cor. 15:6).

Why so many appearances? Because Jesus knew how fickle our faith can be. He knew how strong our doubts can feel. So He confirmed again and again that the tomb was empty. The resurrection wasn't just an event. It was a Person—alive, present, and walking among them.

2. He Affirmed the Truth of God's Word - one of the most powerful post-resurrection accounts is the scene on the road to Emmaus. Two disciples are walking, confused and heartbroken over what had just happened in Jerusalem. Jesus joins them—though they don't recognize Him. He listens patiently. Then, He gently rebukes them: "O foolish men and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken!" (Luke 24:25). What does He do next? He opens the Scriptures! "Beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He explained to them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures" (Luke 24:27). Later, after they finally recognize Him, they say, "Were not our hearts burning within us while He was speaking to us on the road?" (Luke 24:32). The risen Christ didn't just show up. He taught. He interpreted Scripture. He connected the dots from Genesis to Malachi and showed them that the cross and resurrection weren't a divine detour—they were the destination. He was proving that God keeps His Word. And He still does.



MARCH 2026
GRACE CHURCH, YPSILANTI MI

272 N Hewitt Rd. Ypsilanti, MI 48197
gracemichigan@gmail.com | www.grcdetroit.com

Manifestarea puterii în creștinii primului veac -
Dependenți de Duhul până la capăt!
studiu biblic în Faptele Apostolilor

Sunday March 1st, 2026

9:30-10:00 Praying with Grace Family

10am COMMUNION

Prayer Exhortation - Iulian Jecu Psalm 31
Dumnezeu păstrează ce l-am încredințat

Message - Florin Cociuba Fapte 24:24-27
Doi oameni: predicatorul și politicianul

5pm YOUTH SERVICE

Prayer Exhortation Fineas Tătar Philippians 2:14-16
Being blameless and pure

Message - Moise Zaha Acts 25:1-27
Unjust imprisonment and strategic appeal

Friday March 6th, 2026 MISSIONS CONFERENCE

7pm - speaker Pastor Cornel Avram

Sunday March 8th, 2026 FAMILY CONFERENCE

10am Prayer Exhortation - Pavel Pop Psalm 32
Puterea pocăinței

Message - Cornel Avram (pastor Happy Valley, AZ)

5pm Prayer Exhortation Moise Zaha 1 Samuel 1:9-18
When women pray and God answers!

Message - Cornel Avram (pastor Happy Valley, AZ)

Sunday March 15th, 2026

10am Prayer Exhortation - Ioan Chira Psalm 33
Ferice de poporul al cărui Dumnezeu este Domnul!

Message - Adrian Petruț Acts 26:1-32
Are you persuading me to become Christian?

5pm Prayer Exhortation David Stamate Luke 9:23-27
The Call to follow Jesus

Message - Philip Haiduc Acts 27:1-44
Shipwreck, but saved!

Sunday March 22nd, 2026

10am Prayer Exhortation - Giuliano Cociuba Psalm 34
Voi binecuvânta pe Domnul în orice vreme!

Message - Iulian Jecu Fapte 28:1-15
Atentat eşuat: Dumnezeu este în control!

5pm Prayer Exhortation Danny Popescu Hebrews 4:12-16
God's Throne of Grace

Message - Adrian Petruț Acts 28:16-31
Mission Accomplished: in Rome!

Sunday March 29th, 2026 PALM SUNDAY

10am Prayer Exhortation - Florin Cociuba Psalm 118:19-29
Cei neprihăniți laudă pe Domnul!

Message - Moise Zaha Matei 21:1-17
Ultima zi de duminică din viața terestră a Domnului

5pm Prayer Exhortation Iulian Jecu Matthew 21:18-22
Let's Bearing Good Fruit

Message - David Pop Matthew 22:1-14
The Parable of the Wedding banquet

Thursday April 2nd, 2026 COMMUNION

7pm Pavel Pop Matei 26:14-35
Sângele care se varsă spre iertarea de păcate

Friday April 3rd, 2026 Kids/Youth EASTER PLAY

6:30pm THE EASTER JOURNEY
Message The Great Exchange by Philip Haiduc
(refreshments to follow)

Sunday April 5th, 2026 EASTER SUNDAY

10am Prayer Exhortation - Pavel Pop Psalm 16:8-11
Nu vei îngădui ca preaiubitul Tău să vadă putrezirea!

Message - Iulian Jecu Ioan 20:1-18
Domnul trebuia să învieze după Scripturi!

5pm Prayer Exhortation Moise Zaha Ephesians 2:4-7
Made Alive with Christ

Message - Ghiță Moiş Luca 24:13-35
„Cea mai măreață predică neconsemnată”

THURSDAYS SERVICES - 7PM

MARCH 5th NO SERVICE, but on FRIDAY MARCH 6th
MARCH 12th Iulian Jecu | Andrew Gherman | Jacob Buzguța

MARCH 19th Pavel Pop | James Lupuț | Paul Tolcer
Iosif este înălțat și binecuvântat Geneza 41:37-52

March 26th Moise Zaha | Jonathan Gherman | Timmy Sabou
Iosif poartă de grijă de ai lui Geneza 45:4-28

3. He Strengthened the Faith of His Followers

Jesus' disciples were shaken. Fear, confusion, and doubt filled the air. So the resurrected Christ met them where they were - literally and spiritually. He appeared in locked rooms. He walked on roads. He joined them at meals. He showed up in their confusion, not with condemnation but with comfort. Take Thomas, for example. He wasn't there the first time Jesus appeared. And when the other disciples told him, he famously said, "Unless I see... I will not believe" (John 20:25). What did Jesus do? He came back. He showed Thomas His hands and His side. And Thomas responded with worship: "My Lord and my God!" (John 20:28). Notice that Jesus didn't crush doubt with guilt. He confronted it with grace. And even more, He told Thomas, "Blessed are those who did not see, and yet believed" (John 20:29). That's a direct encouragement to us today.

4. He Mobilized His Disciples for Mission - The resurrected Christ didn't just strengthen His follower - He commissioned them. The Great Commission was a crescendo of multiple appearances where Jesus repeatedly reminded His disciples: You are My witnesses. In Luke 24, Jesus tells them that "repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations" (v. 47). But before they could "go," they had to "wait"—specifically for the Holy Spirit to empower them (Luke 24:49). Then in Matthew 28, Jesus gave the full mission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you..." (Matt. 28:19-20). Before ascending, He made sure they knew their task: Make disciples. Preach the gospel. Baptize believers. Teach obedience. And know—He would be with them to the end. The risen Christ didn't just rise—He mobilized.

5. He Prepared Us for His Return. Finally, Jesus stayed for forty days to give His disciples a preview of what is to come. In Acts 1, as they're still looking upward at His ascension, two angels appear and say, "This Jesus...will come in just the same way as you have watched Him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11). This wasn't a goodbye. It was an "Until I return."