Service for the Lord's Day

HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



The Holy Women at the Tomb or The Three Marys at the Tomb William-Adolphe Bouguereau (1825-1905)

Resurrection of the Lord Sunday April 9th, 2023 | 10:30 am Worship Service

-WE GATHER TO PRAISE -

Let us now prepare our hearts and minds to worship God.

§ Invites you to rise in body or

spirit with the people of God.

Prelude

§ CALL TO WORSHIP

As fallen people, we must be called from our worship of the created and focus on the proper worship of the Creator. Prayer of Invocation

SCOTT ROBERTS

ELDER

EASTER HYMN

LITURGIST

ONE Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

ALL his love endures forever.

ONE In our anguish we cried to the LORD, and he answered by setting us free. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

ALL his love endures forever.

ONE The LORD is our strength and our song; he has become our salvation. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

ALL his love endures forever.

ONE We will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

ALL his love endures forever.

ONE The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

ALL The LORD has done this; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

ONE This is the day the LORD has made;

ALL let us rejoice and be glad in it. -from Psalm 118:1, 5, 14, 17, 22-24, NIV

§ HYMN OF PRAISE "CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY"

Hymn 184

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

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, and battle won, 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 was led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

§ CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

§ Assurance of Pardon

§ RESPONSE TO PARDON GLORIA PATRI

Hymn 614

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

-We Share Our Life & Gifts -

We bring our concerns, joys, and burdens to the Lord in prayer and give out of love and awe.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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;

Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.

Amen.

As members of Christ's body, we confess the reality of sin and brokenness in personal and common life and ask for God's saving grace.

We pray for the world because God loves it. God created the world and cares for it. To abide in God's love is to share God's concern for the world. Our prayers should therefore be as specific as God's tender compassion for the least ones among us.

OFFERTORY/CHORAL ANTHEM

Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing Arr. by David N. Johnson

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Lord of Life is ris'n for aye; Bring flowers of song to strew his way; let all mankind rejoice and say: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, Alleluia!

Thy Name we bless, O risen Lord, and sing today with one accord the life laid down, the life restored: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! Amen.

§ RESPONSE TO GOD'S GOODNESS

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.

§ Prayer of Dedication

- We Proclaim God's Word -

"Christ is proclaimed, and in that I rejoice"

PHILIPPIANS 1:18

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON ISAIAH 65:17-25

Liturgist

ONE THIS IS THE WORD OF THE LORD.

ALL THANKS BE TO GOD.

PSALTER 30B O LORD, I WILL EXALT YOU

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O LORD, I will exalt You, for You have lifted me;
My foes You kept from boasting, denied them victory.
O LORD, my God, I pleaded that You might heal and save;
LORD, You from death have ransomed, and kept me from the grave

Sing praises, O you godly,
Who to the LORD belong;
and to His name most holy
show gratitude in song.
His anger lasts a moment,
His grace through life goes on;
Though through the night tears linger,
great joy comes with the dawn.

When prosp'rous, I once boasted, "Unmoved I shall remain."
But You, LORD, by Your favor my mountain's strength maintain; for when Your face was hidden, I then became dismayed.
O LORD, to You I cried out, and to the Lord I prayed:

O where is the advantage if my blood should be shed? Will dust declare You faithful, Can praise come from the dead? O LORD, to me be gracious, and Hear me as I've prayed. To You, O LORD, I cry out O be my help, my aid."

You turned my grief to dancing, from sackcloth set me free.
You wrapped me up in gladness; I shall not silent be.
Indeed, my soul, my glory, will praise you and adore;
O LORD, my God, I'll thank You both now and evermore.

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SERMON SCRIPTURE JOHN 20:1-18

HN 20:1-18 Rev. Brandon Jolley

Sermon Rev. Brandon Jolley

- We Go Forth to Proclaim -

"How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!" Romans 10:15

Through the sermon we encounter Jesus Christ in God's word, are equipped to follow Him more faithfully, and are inspired to proclaim the Gospel to others through our words and deeds.

§ Affirmation of Faith

ONE This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

ALL Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen. -based on I Corinthians 15:3-7; Colossians 1:15-20

§ CLOSING HYMN

CHRIST AROSE!

Hymn 182

Verse 1 Low in the grave He lay, Jesus my Savior! Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

(Chorus)

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

Verse 2 Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior! Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Verse 3 Death cannot keep his prey, Jesus my Savior; He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

§ BENEDICTION

Postlude Verbum supernum, Op. 45, No. 8

Marcel Dupré

A benediction is literally a "good word" or a blessing to carry with us as we leave our time of worship.

O LORD, I Will Exalt You

30B

If you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is. — Colossians 3:1

Psalm 30



- 4. 9 "O where is the advantage
 If my blood should be shed?
 Will dust declare You faithful,
 Can praise come from the dead?
 - 10 O LORD, to me be gracious, And hear me as I've prayed. To You, O LORD, I cry out O be my help, my aid."
- 5. 11 You turned my grief to dancing, From sackcloth set me free. You wrapped me up in gladness; I shall not silent be.
 - ¹² Indeed, my soul, my glory,
 Will praise You and adore;
 O LORD, my God, I'll thank You
 Both now and evermore.

ANNOUNCEMENTS -

Wednesday Night: The **Meal** is at 6:00 and **Bible Study** is at 6:30. There will be no **Choir** this week. Sign-up sheets for meal-teams and clean-up are available in Fellowship Hall. **We need some meal-team volunteers!**

The Deacon's April Luncheon - "HELLO SPRING" - will be on Sunday, April 16th following church services. The Deacons will provide ham, mac'n'cheese, greenbeans, and rolls. The congregation is asked to bring a covered dish, dessert, AND A FRIEND!

Parents of children, nursery through high school, are invited to dinner on Sunday, April 30th, at the Hopewell Manse from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM. During our time together we'll get to know one another better and learn more about the children's ministry classes and a Wednesday evening confirmation class being offered this fall. No need to bring anything for dinner, but your favorite beverage to share. Child care is available for children ages 2-12 years at the church from 4:45- 7:30 PM. The kiddos will enjoy pizza and a movie. A link to sign-up will be emailed out soon.

- PRAYER REQUESTS -

- Alberta Satter
- Becky Wertz
- Christie Smith lymphoma and histoplasmosis
- Clarellen Kelsay in-home rehab
- Danny Nickelson pancreatic cancer
- Delores Weaver
- Eric Pasborg (needs a heart transplant)
- Jean Williams
- Lester Burton
- Letty Cherian pancreatic cancer
- Martha Myers pancreatic cancer
- Maxie Gardner
- Michelle Plummer
- Rick Moss (radiation treatments)
- Sally Henderson (cancer)
- Scott Vandenberg (recovery from transplant)
- Zack Firks urgent need for kidney
- Missionaries: Josh and Libby Auyer Czech Republic
- Tornado victims and rescue workers in Indiana and other states
- Families, friends, and staff of Covenant Presbyterian School in Tennessee
- Residents of East Palestine, Ohio

Sympathy and prayers for the family and friends of Janice Martin.

April Birthdays: Michael Jones - 1st; Clarellen Kelsay, Jaime Shilts, Martha St. Clair, and Sam Albright - 2nd; Jim McMillion - 7th; Luke Davidson - 9th; Jenna Browning and Kathy Henderson - 13th; Tripp Brown - 14th; Debbie Myers - 15th; Nikolai Shergi - 17th; Garrett Snyder - 19th; Chad Tearman and Felicity Faris - 21st; Diana Fox and Sarah Smith - 22nd; and Josie Albright - 30th

DISCIPLESHIP READING -

Encountering God in your daily life is the best way to grow your relationship with our Redeemer. This reading plan from Table Talk magazine leads us through all the main genres of the Bible each week. Join us as we read through the majority of the Bible in a year.

SUNDAY	I Thessalonians 4-5	Epistles
MONDAY	Leviticus 22-24	The Law
TUESDAY	II Kings 21-25	History
WEDNESDAY	Psalm 90-92	Psalms
THURSDAY	Proverbs 14-15	Poetry
FRIDAY	Ezekiel 43-48	Prophecy
SATURDAY	John 1-2	Gospel

Prelude: Easter Hymn - Scott Roberts

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- Weekly At Home Liturgy -

CALL TO WORSHIP

Whom have I in heaven but you? And there is nothing on earth that I desire besides you. My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.

- Psalm 73:25-26

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Lord, what is my confidence which I have in this life? Is it not you, O Lord, my God, whose mercies are without number? Where has it ever been well with me without you, or where could it be ill with me, when you are present? I rather choose to be a pilgrim on earth, than without you to possess heaven. Where you are, there is heaven; and where you are not, there is death and hell. There is none that can help me in my necessities, but only you, my God; you are my hope, you my confidence. Although you expose me to diverse temptations and adversities, yet you order all this to my advantage; in which trial of me you ought no less to be loved and praised, than if you did fill me full of heavenly consolations. Amen.

- Thomas à Kempis

READING OF THE LAW

Our Lord Jesus said, Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

- Matthew 5:3-10

CONFESSION OF SINS

I, a poor sinner, confess before you, my God and creator, that I have sinned gravely and in various ways against you, not only with outward gross sins, but much more with internal, innate blindness, unbelief, doubts, faintheartedness, impatience, pride, evil greed, secret envy, hatred and jealousy, as well as other evil emotions. You, my Lord and God, recognize this in me very well, but sadly I cannot recognize them sufficiently. I feel sorrow and regret for them and wholeheartedly desire grace through your dear Son Jesus Christ. Amen.

- Zacharias Ursinus

Assurance of Pardon

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

- Hebrews 4:15-16

PRAISE

Glory be to the Father; and to the Son; and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. - Gloria Patri

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O, make your Word a swift Word, passing from the ear to the heart, from the heart to lip and conversation; that, as the rain returns not empty, so neither may your Word, but accomplish that for which it is given. Amen.

- George Herbert

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Daily Bible reading plan (see Discipleship Reading Plan)

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we are to pray, and you are willing to give more than either we desire or deserve - pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our consciences are afraid, and giving to us that which our prayers dare not presume to ask; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- Book of Common Prayer (1552)

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed by your name; your kingdom come; your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WEEKLY CATECHISM

As a church body, we affirm the Westminster Confession of Faith. The confession, written in 1648, serves as the confessional anchor of Presbyterian doctrine and includes a catechism to teach the faith in churches. Each week we work our way through 3-5 questions from the Westminster Shorter Catechism to both learn and remind ourselves of the faith that we profess. Pastor Brandon would love to talk to you when difficult sections come up.

Q. 35. What is sanctification?

A. Sanctification is the work of God's free grace, whereby we are renewed in the whole man after the image of God, and are enabled more and more to die unto sin, and live unto righteousness.

Q. 36. What are the benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification?

A. The benefits which in this life do accompany or flow from justification, adoption, and sanctification, are, assurance of God's love, peace of conscience, joy in the Holy Ghost, increase of grace, and perseverance therein to the end.

Q. 37. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united in Christ, do rest in their graves, till the resurrection.

Q. 38. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers, being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

To Ponder Prayerfully

"We are adopted into God's family through the resurrection of Christ from the dead in which he paid all our obligations to sin, the law, and the devil, in whose family we once lived.

Our old status lies in his tomb.

A new status is ours through his resurrection."

- Sinclair Ferguson

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