

May 2, 2021
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to **know** Christ &
to make Him **known**.



CHURCH OF THE
RESURRECTION

Welcome to Church of the Resurrection

Welcome to the Sunday service at Church of the Resurrection. Whether you are here to investigate the Christian faith for the first time, or have been following Christ for years, we hope that this service will encourage you in your faith. If you want to learn more about Res, or if we can serve you in any way, please visit www.resbalt.org or call the office at 410-560-0456.

SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS

If at any time during the service you begin to feel ill, please leave immediately and seek medical attention.

When Entering

- Please use sanitizing stations when entering.
- All adults and children age 5 and above wear a mask at all times.
- Please maintain social distance:
 - Kindly refrain from physical contact when greeting one another.
 - Sit with six feet of separation between households.
- Bring your own Bible and pen. No materials are available in the pews.
- If you need to use the restrooms before the service starts, please exit using the center aisle.

During the Service

- Please refrain from singing, except where noted.
- If you need to exit during the service, please use the side aisles/exits.
- Please follow clergy and usher instructions for communion.

When Exiting

- Remain in your pew until dismissed by an usher.
- For anyone desiring prayer, please proceed to the chapel, behind the altar area.
- Please take your bulletin home, or deposit in the recycle bin as you exit.
- All are welcome to meet outside or on the playground for fellowship after the service.

Thank you for wearing your mask, covering both mouth and nose,
for today's entire worship service.

*"Let each of us look not only to our own interests, but also to the
interests of others" (Philippians 2:4).*

Prelude

Welcome and Preparation for Worship

Opening Hymn - "Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven"

Those present in the sanctuary are asked to refrain from singing the Opening Hymn.

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Fatherlike he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!

Call to Worship

(please stand)

Come, let us praise and exalt the King of Heaven!

Everything He does is right, and all His ways are just and true!

Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise!

His dominion extends to the heavens, and his Kingdom endures forever!

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **And blessed be His kingdom, now and forever! Amen.**

**Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and from You no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love You, and worthily magnify Your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: **Come let us adore Him. Alleluia!**

Songs of Praise - "Blessed Be The Name of the Lord"

Those present in the sanctuary are invited to sing the Songs of Praise.

Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name

Pre-Chorus

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name when the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be, blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name on the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering, blessed be Your name (*Pre-Chorus / Chorus*)

You give and take away, you give and take away
My heart will choose to say Lord blessed be Your name

"Speak O Lord"

Speak O Lord as we come to You to receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us, shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us all Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience, holy reverence, true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see, your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail, let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak O Lord and renew our minds, help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us
Speak O Lord till Your church is built, and the earth is filled with Your glory

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal glory; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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(please be seated)

First Reading - Deuteronomy 13:12-15

¹² "If you hear in one of your cities, which the Lord your God is giving you to dwell there, ¹³ that certain worthless fellows have gone out among you and have drawn away the inhabitants of their city, saying, 'Let us go and serve other gods,' which you have not known, ¹⁴ then you shall inquire and make search and ask diligently. And behold, if it be true and certain that such an abomination has been done among you, ¹⁵ you shall surely put the inhabitants of that city to the sword, devoting it to destruction, all who are in it and its cattle, with the edge of the sword.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Second Reading - 1 John 2:18-27

¹⁸ Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. ¹⁹ They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us. ²⁰ But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. ²¹ I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth. ²² Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. ²³ No one who denies the Son has the Father. Whoever confesses the Son has the Father also. ²⁴ Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father. ²⁵ And this is the promise that he made to us—eternal life. ²⁶ I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you. ²⁷ But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie—just as it has taught you, abide in him.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon - The Rev. Patrick Cunningham

Sermon Notes:

The Apostles' Creed

(please stand)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth; I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

(please sit or kneel)

Father, thank You for Your great love for us and for hearing Your people when we pray. Please help every member of Your Church family to truly know and humbly serve You:

That Your Name may be known and glorified by all people.

We pray for Archbishop Foley Beach, Bishop John Guernsey, and for all leaders and ministers in the Church:

That we may be faithful ministers of the Gospel and humble servants of Your people.

We pray for Christ the Saviour Anglican Church in Mt Vernon, VA, Church of St. Peter and St. Paul in Roanoke, VA, and Grace Fellowship Church in Timonium, MD: **That You would guide, strengthen, and sustain the churches in our diocese and in Baltimore.**

We pray for the work of our ministry partners: Anglican Leadership Initiative and Araminta;

That you would equip and bless them to fulfill their mission, serve your people and build your Kingdom.

We pray for our President, Congress, Governor, and all who hold authority in the nations of the world:

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

We pray for all who are poor in spirit, for the sick and those in need;

That You would heal and deliver them from their distress.

We pray for Christians who are persecuted for their faith;

That You would sustain them by Your Holy Spirit and give them strength, joy and perseverance.

Let us now pray for our own needs and those of others, and give thanks for the blessings of this life.

Those present in the sanctuary are asked to offer prayers silently.

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask: Help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in Your will, and walk in Your ways, to the glory of Your Name. Amen.

Absolution and Peace

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

(please stand) The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

Those present in the sanctuary are asked to refrain from physical contact during the Peace.

Announcements

(please be seated)

Offertory

Karin Berkley, Horn

Doxology

Those present in the sanctuary are invited to sing the Doxology. (please stand)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

On the night He was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when He had given thanks to You, He broke it, and gave it to His disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper He took the cup of wine; and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

(please sit or kneel)

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Jesus' death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer You these gifts. Sanctify them by Your Holy Spirit to be for Your people the Body and Blood of Your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Him.

Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve You in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all Your saints into the joy of Your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through Your Son Jesus Christ: By Him, and with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is Yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

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. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

While some of us are receiving communion today, many of our congregation are still unable to do so. Therefore, let us pray together: **Now, in union, O Lord with faithful believers at every altar of Your Church, where Holy Communion is celebrated, I desire to offer my praise and thanksgiving too. I present to You my soul and body with the earnest prayer that I will remain united to you. And since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, I pray that you would come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you and embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Let nothing separate me from you, that I may live and die in the assurance of Your love. Amen.**

The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. *(please be seated)*

*All those in the sanctuary who have received Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior are invited to partake in Communion, regardless of denominational affiliation. Family units will be invited to come forward one at a time as directed by an usher. Please reach out your hand and a wafer will be dropped into your hand. **Please return to your seat, turn down your mask, and partake of the bread in your seat.** Please immediately replace your mask after partaking of the bread. No wine will be offered at this time. Please continue to worship silently, enjoying the communion music.*

Those participating online who picked up pre-consecrated communion elements from the church are invited to partake at this time. Online participants are invited to continue in worship during the communion music.

Communion Music

Those present in the sanctuary are asked to refrain from singing.

"Psalm 62"

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like arrows pierce me
I'll fix my heart on righteousness, I'll look to Him who hears me

Chorus

(And) O praise Him hallelujah, my Delight and my Reward
Everlasting never failing, my Redeemer my God (Repeat)

Find rest my soul in God alone, amid the world's temptations
When evil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my salvation
Though riches come and riches go, don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow, are harvested in heaven

I'll set my gaze on God alone, and trust in Him completely
With ev'ry day pour out my soul, and He will prove His mercy
Though life is but a fleeting breath, a sigh too brief to measure
My King has crushed the curse of death, and I am His forever

Bridge

O praise Him O praise Him, Hallelujah hallelujah
O praise Him O praise Him, Hallelujah Hallelujah
O praise Him O praise Him, Hallelujah hallelujah

"Shout to the Lord"

My Jesus my Saviour, Lord there is none like You
All of my days I want to praise the wonders of Your mighty love
My comfort my shelter, tower of refuge and strength
Let every breath all that I am never cease to worship You

Chorus

Shout to the Lord all the earth let us sing, power and majesty, praise to the King
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of Your name
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands, forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You

"Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed"

How can it be the One who died, has borne our sin through sacrifice
To conquer every sting of death, sing sing hallelujah

For joy awakes as dawning light, when Christ's disciples lift their eyes
Alive He stands their Friend and King, Christ Christ He is risen

Chorus

Christ is risen He is risen indeed, oh sing hallelujah
Join the chorus sing with the redeemed, Christ is risen He is risen indeed

Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed
But blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing hallelujah

Once bound by fear now bold in faith, they preached the truth and power of grace
And pouring out their lives they gained, life life everlasting (*Chorus*)

The power that raised Him from the grave, now works in us to powerfully save
He frees our hearts to live His grace, go tell of His goodness

Bridge

He's alive He's alive, heaven's gates are opened wide
He's alive He's alive, now in heaven glorified

Post Communion Prayer

(please stand)

Eternal God, heavenly Father, You have graciously accepted us as living members of Your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and You have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of His Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve You with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

May the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn - "When In Our Music God Is Glorified"

(please be seated)

Those present in the sanctuary are asked to refrain from singing the Closing Hymn.

When in our music God is glorified, and adoration leaves no room for pride,
it is as though the whole creation cried alleluia!

How often, making music, we have found a new dimension in the world of sound,
as worship moved us to a more profound alleluia!

Let ev'ry instrument be tuned for praise! Let all rejoice who have a voice to raise!
And may God give us faith to sing always alleluia!

Dismissal

Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Postlude

Those present in the sanctuary are asked to remain seated until an usher dismisses you by family unit during the postlude.

All are welcome to meet outside or on the playground for fellowship after the service.

Coming Up at Church of the Resurrection

Outdoor ResMovie Night

Friday, May 7 at 6:30pm | Our entire Res Family is invited to campus for our outdoor summer movie series, kicking off in May. Bring a blanket, a picnic dinner, and come hang out with your Res friends and family. Movie starts at 7:30pm. We hope to see you there!

Thursday Evening Hymn Sing

Thursday, May 6 at 8:00pm | Join us online for our (always amazing!) evening hymn sing with Jon King as we come together for a time of worship and community! Not to be missed, invite family, friends, and neighbors to tune in on Facebook Live. It will be livestreamed at resbalt.org too. This is a great midweek encouragement just when you need it!

Help Bring in the Harvest at First Fruits Farm

ResStudents and FaithWorks invite you to serve along with them at First Fruits Farm on **Saturday, May 22 from 1:00-4:00pm**. The farm's ministry is to provide fresh, nutritious produce to those experiencing hunger in the Mid-Atlantic region. Enjoy fresh air and fellowship together as we serve. Parents of children and students should plan to come as a family. We cannot provide transportation due to COVID-19. To serve, register at resbalt.org/faithworks.

GIVING UPDATE

Month of March 2021

Income: \$83,674 | Expense: \$109,160
Balance: \$25,486 deficit

July 1 through March 31, 2021

Income: \$783,674 | Expense: \$860,289
Balance: \$76,738 deficit

Dear Resurrection Family and Friends,

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord." ~ James 5:13-14

Next Thursday, May 6th, is the National Day of Prayer. As you know, our church was founded on prayer and prayer will always be the most important ministry we have in the church. Prayer is a gift – unopened by so many who believe – in which we encounter God personally. Prayer is our invitation into the privilege of interacting with the Lord of the Universe about anything and everything. And prayer, more than anything else, opens us up to who God is and what His perspective on life is.

Famous 20th century Scottish pastor Oswald Chambers said that the goal of prayer is not just to ask for God to work on our behalf, but to concentrate on God and allow Him to shape and transform our minds and hearts so we might trust and obey. He writes: *"When we pray and concentrate on God, we allow all the margins of life to become free and under His authority. Our responsibility is to keep in living concentration on Him through prayer."*

And so I want to invite you to take time on May 6 for prayer. Turn off the music in your car and pray, skip a meal to spend time in prayer. Read your Bible and let the Psalms remind you to whom you are praying, and then pray to him. Pray when you exercise, pray during a work break. Pray alone. Pray with others. ACTS might be a good structure to use: **Adore** God, **Confess** to God, **Thank** God, and **Ask (Supplication)** God to work in specific ways.

Specifically on May 6, I want to ask you to consider praying and fasting for our dear brother Jack Grubbs. As you know, he has been diagnosed with lung cancer that has spread to other areas of his body. He is fighting this battle with his typical faith, hope, and grace – trusting in the Lord. But it is a battle. We want to stand with him and Susan and pray to the Lord on His behalf for His healing. We will hold a special one-hour prayer time over Zoom from 12:00 – 1:00pm on this day to worship God and pray for our brother Jack. The Zoom link will be on our website at resbalt.org. I invite you to join us.

Let us continue to hold fast in faith to Jesus in these times and seek him in prayer on behalf of ourselves and others.

Praying Constantly with You,
~David

