Resurrection Sunday

March 31st 2024 9:30am





Share Read Talk Pray Bless

Preparation For Worship: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever! I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed. Halleluiah!

Opening Song

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia! Praise Him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Ministry Spotlight Share

Invocation

- Pastor: We gather today in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- People: Amen.
- Pastor: We remember that because of sin entering the world, we are dust, and to dust we shall return. *Genesis 3*

People: Yet God so loved us that He has made a way for us that we may not perish, but have eternal life.

- Pastor: Jesus tells us, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though they die, yet shall they live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."
- People: God is good!

Pastor: All the time!

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Pastor: God is good!

People: Like spring after winter is the faithful renewal of Jesus' love.

Pastor: May your life be renewed like spring after winter in Jesus' love.

Confession and Absolution

- Pastor: Jesus' preaching began with, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Jesus also answered the Pharisees when they questioned who He welcomed and forgave, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance."
- People: After His resurrection Jesus said to His disciples, "It is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."
- Pastor: Acknowledging the promise and call of God to confess, repent, and receive forgiveness, we join in the Apostle John's words:

People: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned we make God a liar, and His Word is not in us. Lord, have mercy. Christ have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Forgive me of my sins, I pray. (Reflection for confession)

- Pastor: Jesus laid down His life for our sins to be forgiven. He cleanses us, and calls us clean as we believe and receive His reconciliation. As you have confessed and believed, as a called servant of Jesus our Christ, and according to His Word, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- People: Amen.

Prayer of the Day

- Pastor: The Lord be with you.
- People: And also with you.
- Pastor: Daily Text I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. Isaiah 42:16 Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him, and He vanished from their sight.

Pastor: Let us pray:

People: Risen Christ, Thank You for the power of the resurrection. You have made this real for all Your children. My darkness is turned into light and the rough places are made level. Open my eyes to the truth of Your Word. I recognize You as my living Savior. Because You live, I too shall live. What Joy! Hallelujah! Amen.

Scripture Lessons Read

First Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality,
³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ

(he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

The Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

¹ Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! ² Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever." ¹⁴ The LORD is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. ¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly, ¹⁶ the right hand of the LORD exalts, the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!" ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD. ¹⁸ The LORD has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death. ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Reader:Please rise for the reading of the Gospel. God has given us Good News.People:Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path. You have the
words of eternal life.Psalm 119:105, John 6:68

Gospel Lesson

Mark 16:1-8

¹ When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" ⁴ And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶ And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸ And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise be to You, O Christ.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us and for our salvation He came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit He became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day He rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Sermon Song

Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)

One day when heaven was filled with His praises, One day when sin was as black as could be, Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin, Dwelt among men my example is He. The Word became flesh and the Light shined among us. His glory revealed. Living He loved me, dying He saved me, Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising He justified freely forever One day He's coming, O glorious day, glorious day.

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain. One day they nailed Him to die on a tree. Suffering anguish, despised and rejected, Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He. The hand that healed nations stretched out on a tree And took the nails for me. Living He loved me, dying He saved me, Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising He justified freely forever One day He's coming, O glorious day, glorious day. One day the grave could conceal Him no longer, One day the stone rolled away from the door. Then He arose over death He had conquered. Now is ascended my Lord evermore. Death could not hold Him, The grave could not keep Him from rising again. Living He loved me, dying He saved me, Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising He justified freely forever One day He's coming, O glorious day, glorious day.

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming, One day the skies with His glories will shine. Wonderful day my beloved one bringing. My Savior Jesus is mine. Living He loved me, dying He saved me, Buried, He carried my sins far away. Rising He justified freely forever One day He's coming, O glorious day, glorious day. O glorious day, glorious day, O glorious day.

Sermon/Watchword *Talk --- New, Knew, Next* Pr Knoll But in face Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Offering Song

Easter Song

Hear the bells ringing they're singing That we can be born again Hear the bells ringing they're singing Christ is risen from the dead The angel up on the tombstone said He is risen just as He said Quickly now go tell His disciples That Jesus Christ is no longer dead

Joy to the world He is risen alleluia He's risen alleluia He's risen alleluia alleluia

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Prayers of the Church Pray

The congregation is invited to join in prayers that include whole Church, the nation, those in need, the parish, additional petitions and special concerns.

- Pastor: Let's join together to pray with Jesus for all that He loves right here, and to the ends of the earth. Father, our Father in heaven, You are the present active, Creator, and Redeemer of our heart, soul, mind and body.
- People: Thank You Lord, that in You we are made a part of Your great salvation of all that You have created. You have made us Your redeemed children. We join today with all those throughout the world who follow You, and pray that Your kingdom would come, and Your will would be done among us as it is in heaven.
- Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,
- People: hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude with these words...

- Pastor: You are our God, and we are Your people... Thank You that You hear our prayers, and work in all things for the good of those who love You. To You be all glory, honor, and praise.
- People: Amen.

Preface and Proper Preface

- Pastor: The Lord be with You.
- People: And also with you.
- Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

- Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
- Pastor: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. But chiefly we are bound to praise You for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for He is the true Passover Lamb who gave Himself to take away our sin, who by His death has destroyed death, and by His rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:

People_(sung)Holy, holy, holy Lord; God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Words Of Institution

Pastor: In the night in which He was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks, broke it, and gave it to His disciples saying: "Take and eat, this is My body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of Me." Again after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: "This cup is the new covenant in My blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this in remembrance of Me."

The Lord's Prayer

- Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- People: 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.

Distribution Of Holy Communion

All who sincerely believe in the real presence of Christ in the Holy Communion – that the cup of blessing is the Communion of the blood of Christ and the bread is the Communion of the body of Christ, and sincerely believing that in receiving Him we have the forgiveness of our sins, salvation, and strength for the Christian life, come – partake of the Lord's Supper.

Song

Wonderful, Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, Precious Redeemer and Friend; Who would have thought that a Lamb could Rescue the souls of men? Oh, You rescue the souls of men. *Refrain:* You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace Our hearts always hunger for, Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

> Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace; You offer hope when our hearts have Hopelessly lost the way, Oh, we hopelessly lost the way.

Refrain: You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace Our hearts always hunger for, Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father, Faithfully loving Your own; Here in our weakness You find us Falling before Your throne, Oh, we're falling before Your throne. *Refrain:* You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace Our hearts always hunger for, Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Nunc Dimittis

Pastor: Lord, now let Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; For my eyes have seen Your salvation, which You have prepared before the face of all people;

A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of Your people Israel.

Glory be to the Father, and to the + Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Benediction Bless

Pastor: Now, may the Lord bless you and keep you. May He make His face shine on you, and be gracious unto you. May the Lord look upon you with favor, and give you His peace.

People:(Sung)Amen. Amen. Amen.

Blessing: "Child of God, blessed are all who trust in the Resurrected One."

- Pastor: Our worship continues,
- People: our service begins!

Closing Song

Because He Lives - Amen

I believe in the Son I believe in the Risen One I believe I overcome By the power of His blood

Amen amen I'm alive I'm alive because He lives Amen amen Let my song join the one that never ends Because He lives I was dead in the grave I was covered in sin and shame I heard mercy call my name He rolled the stone away

Amen amen I'm alive I'm alive because He lives Amen amen Let my song join the one that never ends

Because He lives I can face tomorrow Because He lives ev'ry fear is gone I know He holds my life My future in His hand

Amen amen I'm alive I'm alive because He lives Amen amen Let my song join the one that never ends

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Because He lives – Because He lives

SHARING OF PEACE AS WE GO IN GOD'S PEACE

Welcome To Worship At Zion. We are pleased to have you join us. <u>If you are a visitor</u> please check the shelf outside the office for our newsletter and brochure.

Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

The 2024 Altar Flower Chart is up in the hallway. Sign up for one (\$22.50) or two (\$45.00) vases. Please indicate whether it is in honor or memory of an individual or special event.

The Property & Grounds Committee met on 3/25/24. We will be trimming the shrubs outside each pod of our church several weekday afternoons in April. Additionally, we will be cleaning any winter debris...branches, etc., and also putting/adding bark chips in the area near the church entrance. If you would have an hour or two to help with these clean-up tasks, please call JoAnne at 920-948-9503.

The Mission Of The Month For March is supporting children's ministries both with the Mission of the Month envelopes and the Lenten Coin Cans.

Worship at Zion

Saturday	5:00pm	Chapel
Sunday	8:00am	Worship
	9:30am	G.I.F.T. Worship
	11:30am	Swahili-English Worship