

Lord's Day Worship April 20, 2025

-The Worship of God-

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Please Stand

Pastor: Come, let us worship the Lord; for we do not worship a dead Savior, but One who has risen! People: God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

Pastor: Come, let us worship the Lord; for we have been buried with him in baptism, and we have been raised to life by the powerful working of God!

People: Our Savior, Christ Jesus, has abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

All: Therefore we shall not fear; for he is alive forevermore, and he has the keys of Death and Hades!

From Luke 24:6, Acts 2:24, Colossians 2:12, 2 Tim 1:10, Revelation 1:17-18

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Hymn of Praise: Rejoice The Lord Is King



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CONFESSION OF SIN

Please Sit

Eternal God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church: we have not done your will; we have broken your law; we have rebelled against your love; we have not loved our neighbors; we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 54:10

The mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed," says the Lord, who has compassion on you.

Song of Thanksgiving: Welcome, Happy Morning!



CONFESSION OF FAITH

Remain Standing Heidelberg Catechism Question & Answer 40, 45

Question 40: Why did Christ have to suffer death?

Answer: Because God's justice and truth require it: nothing else could pay for our sins except the death of the Son of God.

Question 45: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

Answer: First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death.

Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life.

Hymn of Praise: Sing Choirs Of New Jerusalem!





COLLECTION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Please Sit

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Remain Seated

GOD SPEAKS THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture Reading Job 19:23-29

[23] "Oh that my words were written! Oh that they were inscribed in a book! [24] Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever! [25] For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth. [26] And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, [27] whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me! [28] If you say, 'How we will pursue him!' and, 'The root of the matter is found in him,' [29] be afraid of the sword, for wrath brings the punishment of the sword, that you may know there is a judgment."

THE PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

Sermon 1 Corinthians 15:1-28

[1] Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, [2] and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

[3] For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, [4] that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, [5] and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. [6] Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. [7] Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. [8] Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. [9] For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. [10] But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. [11] Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

[12] Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? [13] But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. [14] And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. [15] We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. [16] For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. [17] And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. [18] Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. [19] If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. [20] But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. [21] For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. [22] For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. [23] But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. [24] Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. [25] For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. [26] The last enemy to be destroyed is death. [27] For "God has put all things in subjection under him. [28] When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

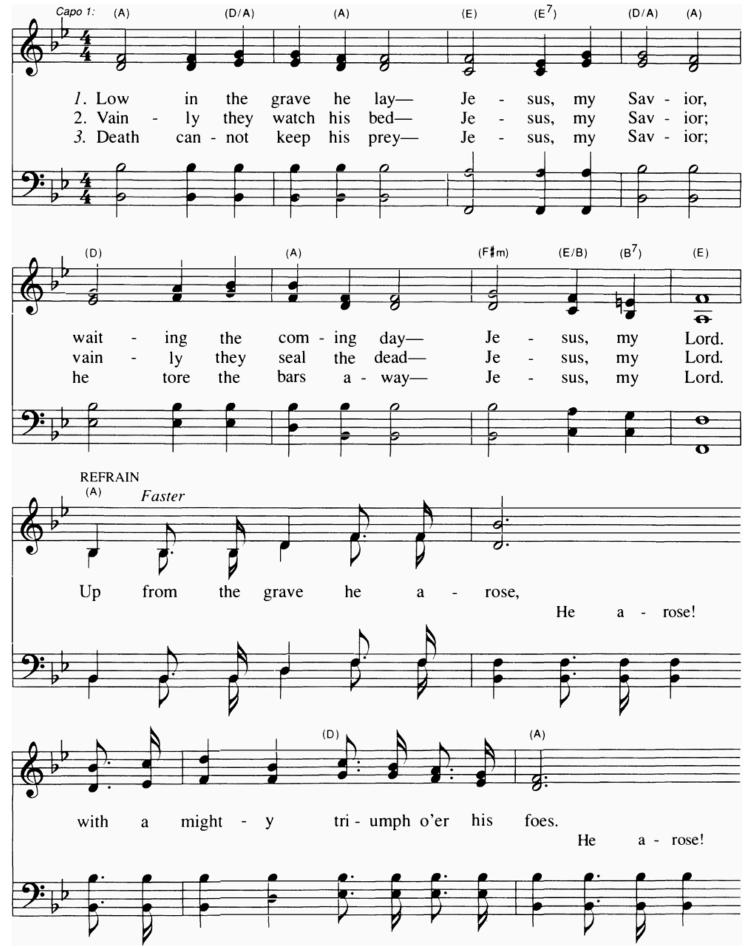
THE LORD COMMUNES WITH HIS PEOPLE

The Lord's Supper

Г ٦ 1. Man Sor - rows! what a the Son of God, who came of name for 2. Bear - ing shame and scoff-ing rude, in place con- demned he stood, my spot - less Lamb of 3. Guilt - y. vile, and help-less, we; God was he: 4. Lift - ed he to die, "It fin - ished!" was up was is his cry; 5. When he comes, our glo- rious King, all his ran-somed home to bring, D re - claim: Hal - le - lu _ jah! what a Sav - ior! ined sin - ners to ru blood: Hal - le -sealed my par - don with his lu jah! what а Sav - ior! be? Hal - le - lu jah! what a Sav - ior! full a - tone - ment! can it in heav'n ex alt ed high: Hal - le - lu jah! what a Sav - ior! now we'll sing: Hal-le - lu -Sav - ior! then a - new this song jah! what a

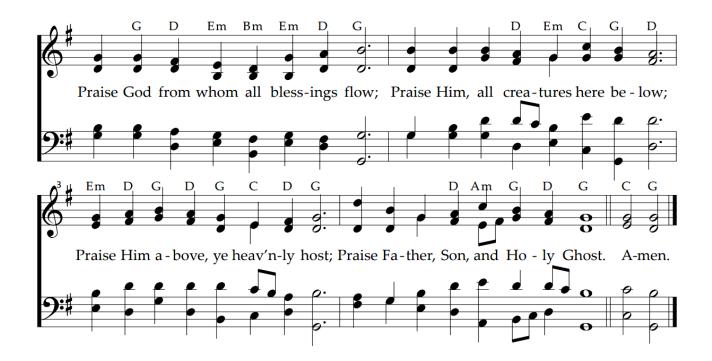
Hymn of Response: Man Of Sorrows! What A Name

Hymn of Praise: Up From The Grave He Arose





BENEDICTION



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Easter Hymn Sing: We will have a fellowship meal at 5pm tonight with a hymn sing to follow. The church will provide the main dish, please bring a side and/or a dessert to share. We'll enjoy singing many of the great resurrection hymns together!

Compassion and Hope Pregnancy Center: CHPC is doing a Baby Bottle Fundraising Campaign starting on May 4 and running until Father's Day. You can pick up a baby bottle from Kelley McGinnis. You can fill these baby bottles with coins, cash, or checks and return them to Kelley by June 15. She will then take all the donations to Compassion and Hope Pregnancy Center. This is a great way for us to support our local PC financially, in addition to the financial support we give them as a church through missions.

Sunday Ministry Schedule: Each Sunday, we have predictable fellowship and ministry opportunities that repeat every month on the same Sunday of the month until the Summer. Please avail yourselves of the opportunities to grow in love, grace, and service together.

- First Sunday Fellowship Meal: After service we will have a potluck fellowship meal at the church. Please bring a main dish and a side to share.
- Second Sunday Coffee and Conversation at the Pastor's House at 2pm. We will discuss a biblical, theological, historical, etc., topic together over coffee and dessert. If you have specific questions or topics you'd like to cover in this conversational setting, please reach out to Pastor Nick.
- Third Sunday Hymn Sings: Every third Sunday of the month at the church. We will have a fellowship meal starting at 5pm, followed by the hymn sing. Bring a main dish and a side to share for the fellowship meal.

Sunday Morning Fellowship: There is a sign up sheet in the entryway of the church for snacks to be served in between Sunday School and the Worship Service. Reimbursement from the church is available for those who would like to turn in their fellowship snack receipt. Please be mindful of sugar content, dyes, and other ingredients when selecting snacks to bring. Contact Kelley McGinnis (kilmcginnis@hotmail.com & 530-227-8521) with any questions.

Prayer Meeting: Prayer meeting begins at 9:15am each Lord's Day. Contact Jim Doyle for more information. Please come and pray!

Sunday School: Sunday School starts at 9:45am. The adults are working through the *Westminster Confession of Faith*. This is an important way to examine key doctrines in the Bible, to join our brothers and sisters from ages past in practicing the historic reformed faith, and to learn how we can all work toward greater unity in the church. Please make it a priority to attend! The children's Sunday School is geared for the following approximate grades: nursery, grades 1-3, 5-6. and 7-12.

Wednesday Evening Study: Please join us on Wednesday nights at 7pm at the church. We are discussing the previous week's sermon and enjoying a time of fellowship.

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> Prayer 9:15AM Sunday School 9:45AM Sunday Worship 11:00AM

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