

GOOD HOPE

Presbyterian Church

April 21, 2019

Lord's Day Morning

PRELUDE

GREETINGS

CALL TO WORSHIP

I Peter 1:3–5

“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God’s power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.”

HYMN 277

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of Heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into Hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty; from thence He shall come 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 life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN 275

The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Done

PRAYER OF PRAISE

RESPONSIVE READING

I Corinthians 15:1–8, 12–19

Leader: “Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you - unless you believed in vain.

*“He is not here, for He has risen,
as He said.”*

Matthew 28:6

People: For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, and that He appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve.

Leader: Then He appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, He appeared also to me.

People: Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised.

Leader: And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. 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. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised.

People: And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.”

CHOIR *Now Glad of Heart* Kayron Lee Scott

Now glad of heart be ev'ry one! The fight is fought, the day is won,
The Christ is set upon His throne, Alleluia, alleluia!

Who on the rood was crucified, Who rose again, as at this tide,
In glory to His Father's side, Alleluia, alleluia!

Who baffled death and harrowed hell and led the souls that loved
Him well
All in the light of lights to dwell: Alleluia, alleluia!

To Him we lift our heart and voice, and in His paradise rejoice
with harp and pipe and happy noise. Sing alle, alleluia!

Then rise all Christian folk, with me and carol forth the One in Three
that was, and is and is to be, Alleluia, alleluia!

CHILDREN'S STORY

(Children ages 3 and under may be dismissed to the nursery).

RESPONSIVE READING Luke 24:1–7; 2 Corinthians 9:15

Leader: “On the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, ‘Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how He told you, while He was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.’”

This is the word of the Lord.

People: “Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!”

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *I Know That My Redeemer Liveth* G.F. Handel
Soloist: Alison Wall

I know that my Redeemer liveth,
and that He shall stand at the last day upon the earth.
And though worms destroy this body,
yet in my flesh shall I see God.
For now is Christ risen from the dead,
the first fruits of them that sleep.

HYMN 284 *This Joyful Eastertide*

MISSIONS FOCUS

“Do not be afraid, I am the First and the Last. I am the Living One;
I was dead, and behold I am alive for ever and ever!”

Revelation 1:17–18

HYMN

See What a Morning

See, what a morning, gloriously bright,
With the dawning of hope in Jerusalem;
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light,
As the angels announce, "Christ is risen!"
See God's salvation plan,
Wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice,
Fulfilled in Christ, the Man,
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?"
As in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb;
Hears a voice speaking, calling her name;
It's the Master, the Lord raised to life again!
The voice that spans the years,
Speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us,
Will sound till He appears,
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

One with the Father, Ancient of Days,
Through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty.
Honor and blessing, glory and praise
To the King crowned with pow'r and authority!
And we are raised with Him,
Death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered;
And we shall reign with Him,
For He lives: Christ is risen from the dead!

(Children ages 4 to 8 may be dismissed to Children's Church).

SERMON PASSAGE

Matthew 27:57–28:15
(page 1060, blue Bible)

SERMON

I Will Rise!

Mr. Waller

HYMN 287

Morning Sun

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE