

Resurrection Sunday, April 4, 2010  
MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:45AM

**Announcements and \*Welcome!**

- We welcome you to our service today! It is a blessing when God's people gather to worship Him in spirit and truth! We trust that those visiting for the first time will sense our desire to follow a pattern of worship derived from God's word; the priorities of which are outlined in the major headings in this order of worship. We invite visitors to sign our Guest Book and to acquire resources regarding our church and mission.
- Each Sunday we participate in a sacrament instituted by Christ to express our communion with him and to remember Gospel truths. When coming to the Lord's Table, participants are stating that they are baptized believers and active members, in 'good standing,' with a Bible teaching church. We must also come with repentant hearts and a faith in Christ alone as savior of our souls and his church. The sacraments of the church teach us to "see and sense" the true foundation for fellowship with God and each other.
- We encourage "family worship" here (as well as at home)! Families attempting to do such, should access our "family seating area." However, this time is set apart to focus attention upon God's attributes and actions! Please be sensitive to "distractions" by utilizing our childcare room which is equipped with TV monitoring of the service.
- May God be glorified and honored in all that we do in His name today!

**Preparation for Worship with Prayer and Songs of Ascent**

**\*Opening Hymn – Christ, The Lord, is Risen Today! # 277**

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!*

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal, *Alleluia!* Christ hath burst the gates of hell, *Alleluia!*  
Death in vain forbids His rise, *Alleluia!* Christ hath opened paradise, *Alleluia!*

Hymns of praise then let us sing, *Alleluia!* Unto Christ, our heavenly King, *Alleluia!*  
Who endured the cross & grave, *Alleluia!* Sinners to redeem & save, *Alleluia!*

**\*Call to Worship**

*Psalm 34:17-22*

**Elder** – When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles.

**All** – The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

**Elder** – Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all.

**All** – He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken.

**Elder** – Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

**All** – The LORD redeems the life of His servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned.

**\*Confession and Cleansing**

Adoration  
Confession  
Assurance of Pardon

**Song – Rejoice, The Lord is King**

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore,  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, and triumph evermore;

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*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*  
The Lord Our Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;  
When He had purged our stains He took His seat above;

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*  
His kingdom cannot fail, He rules over earth and heaven,  
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given;

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*  
Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come,  
And take His servants up to their eternal home.

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

**Consecration by the Word**

**Old Testament Law – Genesis 3:8 – 15**

*(After eating the Forbidden Fruit, the Lord confronts Adam, Eve, and the Serpent.)*

**Old Testament Prophet – Isaiah 53**

*(The prophet describes God's Servant. He would be stricken, afflicted, chastised, oppressed, and crushed)*

**Reader** – The words of the Lord. **Congregation** – Thanks be to God.

**Psalm – 22:16–24**

*(Melita)*

Like dogs, the wicked circle me; and they have pierced my hands & feet.  
I now can number all my bones; with leering eyes they stare at me.  
My clothes among them they divide, and for my robe, with dice, decide.

*But be not far from me, O Lord; hurry, my Strength, send help to me!*  
*My soul, deliver from the sword; from dogs and lions set me free.*  
*Though by the ox, I'm nearly torn, Your answer saved me from its horn.*

I'll praise You in the gathering, telling my brothers of Your Name;  
All you who hold the Lord in awe, to Him Your praises now proclaim.  
Give Him the glory, Jacob's seed; all Israel's sons, fear Him indeed!

*For He has not despised the poor; He has not scorned their wretched state.*  
*He has not turned away His face from anyone in trouble great.*  
*When any cried to Him in grief, He heard their prayer and sent relief.*

**New Testament Gospel – Mark 8:31 – 38**

*(...)"the Son of Man must suffer many things ... and be killed, and after three days rise again."*

**New Testament Epistle – 1 Corinthians 15:1 – 10**

*("Christ died ... he was buried... he was raised ... in accordance with the Scriptures...")*

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**\*Song – Blessing, Honor, Glory to the Lamb**

Blessing (*echo*), honor (*echo*), glory to the Lamb!  
Holy (*echo*), righteous (*echo*), worthy is the Lamb!

Death could not hold Him down for He is risen!  
Seated upon the throne, He is the Lamb of God!

**Sermon:**

***"Resurrection Rebuke!?"***

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**Coming Together as the Church**

**Elder's Response**

**Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father by whom all things were made; who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Offertory –**

*[Please pass the offering baskets through your section toward the back. If you have a special prayer request, please fill out a prayer card (available at the entry table) and place it in the offering basket. Thank you.]*

**Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer**

**Communion Through the Sacraments**

**\*Song of Preparation – Here Stands the Font**

*(Solid Rock)*

Here stands the font before our eyes, the sign & seal, His grace supplies.  
God's call and covenant in view, water and words speak, "All is new!"

*Here is the font that does proclaim, Christ perseveres, and shall remain,  
To raise us, holy vessels.*

**Sacrament of Baptism**

*{Do you, numbered among the communion of Christ, and witnesses of God's grace, undertake with these parents the covenant responsibility for the Christian nurture of this child?}*

**Commissioning of the Church**

**\*Closing Prayer & 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!

**\*Benediction & 3-fold Amen**

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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