

**Easter Sunday**  
Sunday, April 4, 2021- 8:30 AM



Welcome, Guests and Members!

*(The \* indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

**PRE-WORSHIP**

**"Victor's Crown"**

Announcements and Welcome

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

**People: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

**OPENING WORSHIP**

\*Processional Song Versicles **"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**  
*(Turn to face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.)*

\*Invocation, Confession and Absolution

\*Easter Song of Praise **"Alive Forever Amen"**

*(Please be seated.)*

**GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED AND EXPLAINED**

1st Lesson

*Job 19:23-27*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

2nd Lesson

*Romans 8:15-18*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Gospel Lesson

*Matthew 28:1-11*

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter, verses 1-11.

**People: Glory to You, O Lord.**

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to You, O Christ.**

Children's Message and Dismissal for Children's Church (ages 4-8)

The Message

"The Empty Tomb of Victory"

*Matthew 28:1-11*

## **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

*(Please stand.)*

\*Song of Response

**"My Savior Lives"**

**\*Our Confession of Faith - The Apostles' Creed, The Second Article—Redemption**

*(The Apostles' Creed is one of the early faith statements of the Christian Church.*

*Today we only recite the Second Article which talks about Jesus. The "What Does This Mean?" was written by Dr. Martin Luther as a tool for fathers to teach their children about Jesus.)*

Pastor: What is the Second Article of the Apostles' Creed?

**People: I believe 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 on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

Pastor: What does this mean?

**People: I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary, is my Lord, who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, purchased and won me from all sins, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious blood and with His innocent suffering and death, that I may be His own, and live under Him in His kingdom, and serve Him in everlasting righteousness, innocence, and blessedness, just as He is risen from the dead, lives and reigns to all eternity. This is most certainly true.**

**\*Prayers of the Church**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**\*CLOSING WORSHIP**

\*Benediction

\*Recessional Song

**"Happy Day"**

**Verse 1**

**The greatest day in history  
Death is beaten You have rescued me  
Sing it out Jesus is alive  
The empty cross the empty grave  
Life eternal You have won the day  
Shout it out Jesus is alive, He's alive**

**Chorus**

**And oh happy day happy day, You washed my sin away  
Oh happy day happy day, I'll never be the same,  
Forever I am changed *(2X to Bridge)***

**Verse 2**

**When I stand in that place  
Free at last meeting face to face  
I am Yours Jesus You are mine  
Endless joy perfect peace  
Earthly pain finally will cease  
Celebrate Jesus is alive, He's alive. Chorus**

**Bridge**

**Oh what a glorious day, What a glorious way  
That You have saved me, And oh what a glorious day  
What a glorious name. Chorus**

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**Pastor:** Go in Easter peace and serve the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God!**

## **Sunday, 8:30AM - WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

The Preacher	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Celebrant/Liturgist	Vicar Michael Duffy
Vocalists	Wynn Bonner, Peggy Jo Griffin, Kimberly Sheerin, Leah Welter
Keyboard	Wynn Bonner
Guitar	Vicar Michael Duffy
Drums	Peter Carrerou
Bass Guitar	Jay Nerove
Trumpets	Steven Brooks, Fred Knippenberg
Trombones	Chuck Furr, Mike Mulvaney
Horn	Klae Peek
Saxophone	Jon Peterson
The Sound Technician	Josh Woods
The Projection Technician	Andrew Woods
The Elder on Duty	Rhonda Wise
The Lectors	Jon Peterson, Suzanne Ellett
The Robing Leader	Gillian McIntee
The Crucifer	Jana Peterson
The Candle Bearers	Sadie McIntee, Tony McIntee
The Welcome Team Greeter	Jack Watkins
At the Welcome Center	Jane Watkins
The Ushers	Lisa Coffey, Dr. Don Eason

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