



JESUS IS THE FOCUS HEBREWS 12:2



**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 10, 2020 - 10:45 AM
SPECIAL LIVE STREAM WORSHIP FOLDER**

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

PRE-WORSHIP SONG

“Christ Is Risen”

**Let no one caught in sin remain Inside the lie of inward shame
But fix our eyes upon the cross And run to Him who showed great love
And bled for us Freely You’ve bled for us**

Chorus

**Christ is risen from the dead Trampling over death by death
Come awake come awake Come and rise up from the grave
Christ is risen from the dead We are one with Him again
Come awake come awake Come and rise up from the grave (2X Bridge)**

**Beneath the weight of all our sin You bowed to none but heaven’s will
No scheme of hell no scoffer’s crown No burden great can hold You down
In strength You reign Forever let Your church proclaim *Chorus***

Bridge

**O death where is your sting O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light The glory of God has defeated the night
Singing O death where is your sting O hell where is your victory
O church come stand in the light Our God is not dead He’s alive He’s alive *Chorus 2X***

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WELCOME

HONORING OF MOTHERS

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”**
(sts. 1, 3 & 5)

Hymn 469

**“Christ the Lord is ris’n today!” Saints on earth and angels say;
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Sing, ye heav’ns, and earth, reply.**

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

**Soar we now where Christ has led; Foll’wing our exalted Head.
Made like Him, like Him we rise; Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.**

***THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
People: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

(Please be seated or kneel.)

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

People: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins, As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

***THE SONG OF PRAISE** “How Great Thou Art” (sts. 1 & 3)

Hymn 801

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made,
I see the stars, I hear the mighty thunder,
Thy pow’r throughout the universe displayed; Refrain.

refrain

Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee,
How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

But when I think that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in—
That on the cross my burden gladly bearing
He bled and died to take away my sin; Refrain.

***THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Let us pray. O God, You make the minds of Your faithful to be of one will. Grant that we may love what You have commanded and desire what You promise, that among the many changes of this world our hearts may be fixed where true joys are found; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE EPISTLE READING

1 Peter 2:4-10

⁴As you come to him, the living Stone - rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him - ⁵you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For in Scripture it says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame."⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, "The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone," ⁸and, "A stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the message - which is also what they were destined for. ⁹But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

***THE HOLY GOSPEL**

John 14:1-14

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. John, the fourteenth chapter, verses 1-14.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. ²In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴You know the way to the place where I am going." ⁵Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" ⁶Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you really knew me, you would know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him." ⁸Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." ⁹Jesus answered: "Don't you know

me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you are not just my own. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. ¹¹ Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the miracles themselves. ¹² I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. ¹⁴ You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*SERMON HYMN

"You Are the Way; through You Alone"

Hymn 526

**You are the way; through You alone
Can we the Father find;
In You, O Christ, has God revealed
His heart and will and mind.**

**You are the truth; Your Word alone
True wisdom can impart;
You only can inform the mind
And purify the heart.**

**You are the life; the empty tomb
Proclaims Your conqu'ring arm,
And those who put their trust in You
Not death nor hell shall harm.**

**You are the way, the truth, the life;
Grant us that way to know,
That truth to keep, that life to win
Whose joys eternal flow.**

THE SERMON

"Greater Things"

John 14:1-14

***THE SONG**

“It Is Well (Through It All)”

Verse 1

**Grander earth has quaked before
Moved by the sound of His voice
Seas that are shaken and stirred
Can be calmed and broken for my regard**

Chorus

**Through it all through it all My eyes are on You
Through it all through it all It is well
Through it all through it all My eyes are on You
And it is well with me *2X Bridge***

Verse 2

**Far be it from me to not believe
Even when my eyes can't see
And this mountain that's in front of me
Will be thrown into the midst of the sea *Chorus***

Bridge

**So let go my soul and trust in Him
The waves and wind still know His name *Repeat*
The waves and wind still know His name**

Ending

**It is well with my soul It is well with my soul
It is well with my soul It is well it is well with my soul *Repeat***

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OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

***CONFESSION OF FAITH - APOSTLES' CREED**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker 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 will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,
People: Hear our prayer.

***LORD'S PRAYER**

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.

***THE BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you
peace.
People: Amen.

***RECESSIONAL HYMN** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" *Hymn 805*

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;

**Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***DISMISSAL**

Pastor: Go in peace and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

The Preacher

The Liturgist

The Lector

The Organist

The Rev. Charles T. Reich

Vicar Brendon Moore

Peggy Jo Griffin

Wynn Bonner

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