

But God raised him from the dead.

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

- Acts 13:30, 38-39

April 9, 2023 Morning Worship Service

Christ The King Presbyterian Church is a Congregation of the **Presbyterian Church in America**

Morning Worship Service

Welcome and Announcements

If you are a visitor with us this morning, we warmly welcome you to this Easter worship service of Christ The King.

Prelude

This Joyful Eastertide, arr. by Lynette Maynard

*Call to Worship

Revelation 5:11-14

Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying

To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elder fell down and worshiped.

*Hymn of Praise, #277

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

*Invocation

First Reading

John 20:1-18

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴ Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the

tomb first. ⁵ And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷ and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹² And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Book of Common Worship

O Almighty God, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus; we acknowledge that we are unworthy of your redeeming grace. We have not believed your promises, nor trusted in our Living Lord. Through worldliness of spirit, our eyes have been blind and we have not discerned his presence with us. Through disappointment of mind and dejection of spirit, our hearts have not burned within us as we have heard his Word. We have not trusted in his redeeming power, and have been overcome by evil. We have forgotten the glad tidings of his victory over death, and have not known the things that make for peace.

But now in sorrow and brokenness we come to you, beseeching your forgiveness. Mercifully grant us absolution from all our sins and restore unto us the joy of your salvation, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin (Silent)

Promise of Forgiveness

Romans 5:1, 6, 8-9

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

*Hymn of Praise, #274

Thine Be the Glory

Second Reading

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." ²² And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

²⁴ Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe."

²⁶ Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; ³¹ but these are written so that you may believe that

Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Third Reading John 21:1-14

After this Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. ² Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. ³ Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴ Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵ Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered him, "No." ⁶ He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷ That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸ The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared ask him, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

*Hymn of Praise, #267

The Day of Resurrection!

*Affirmation of Faith

Nicene Creed

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

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his 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 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 is seated at the right hand of the Father: and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living 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 in 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.

Prayers for the Church and the World and the 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Collection

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed by Keith & Kristyn Getty and Ed Cash arr. by James Koerts - CTK Choir

How can it be the One who died, has borne our sin through sacrifice, to conquer ev'ry sting of death? Sing, sing Hallelujah!

For joy awakes as dawning light, when Christ's disciples lift their eyes, Alive, He stands, their Friend and King, Christ, Christ, He is risen!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh! sing Hallelujah! Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed, But blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing Hallelujah!

Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and pow'r of grace, And pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh! sing Hallelujah! Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed: Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

The pow'r that raised Him from the grave now works in us to pow'rf'lly save! He frees our hearts to live His grace. Go, tell of His goodness!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Oh! sing Hallelujah! Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed, Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh! sing Hallelujah! Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed, Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

He is risen! He's alive! He's alive! Heaven's gates are opened wide! He's alive! He's alive! Now in heaven glorified!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed!

Sermon Text

Romans 4:13-25

¹³ For the promise to Abraham and his offspring that he would be heir of the world did not come through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴ For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵ For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.

¹⁶ That is why it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his offspring—not only to the adherent of the law but also to the one who shares the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all, ¹⁷ as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. ¹⁸ In hope he believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, "So shall your offspring be." 19 He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was as good as dead (since he was about a hundred years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. ²⁰ No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. ²² That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." 23 But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, ²⁴ but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, ²⁵ who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Eric Huber

Raised for Our Justification

*Hymn of Response, #286

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

*Ascription

Jude 24-25

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

*Benediction

1 Corinthians 16:22b-23

Our Lord come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

*Postlude

"Thou Art Gone Up on High" by G.F. Handel, arr. for trombone and piano by Stephen Decesare

This Week: Christ The King Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 9th

No Sunday School 10:30 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching No Evening Service

Saturday, April 15th

8:00 am – Men's Book Study 9:30 am – Women's Bible Study

Sunday, April 16th

9:30 am – Sunday School
10:30 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching
12:00 pm – Children's music programs
6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service, Mr. Nate Fowler preaching

-Lord's Supper

Announcements

Assisting in worship this morning: Mr. Jack Newman

The Saturday morning Women's Bible Study for April will be meeting at Lauren Huber's home. The Bible Study will be on Saturday the 15th of April, 9:30-11:00 am. We will continue our study of 'Gentle and Lowly' by Dane Ortlund. All women in the church are welcome to join us. Unfortunately, no childcare is available. If you have any questions, please call Charlotte Schmucker at 610-551-0758.

Men's Book Study: The men in the church continue our study of Sinclair Ferguson's *The Whole Christ*. We are meeting at the Huber's on Saturday, April 15th, from 8:00-9:15. Breakfast provided. We will consider *Chapter 11* and the conclusion.

Colonial Neighborhood Council is a community based organization dedicated to the people in the community who need a helping hand. Every third Sunday Christ the King has the opportunity to restock their pantry. Colonial neighborhood distributes the food based on needs in the community. Please bring your donated items to the back of the church on the third Sunday, April 15th.

YoungLives Collection: We are grateful to be partnered with YoungLives Norristown. Their need for baby supplies is ongoing and we will begin collecting supplies monthly. You can drop off on the third Sunday of each month.

At the request of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nashville, **the PCA Foundation has established The Covenant Fund.** All donations to The Covenant Fund will be granted in collaboration with the leadership of Covenant Presbyterian, a fellow PCA church, to assist with the immediate and ongoing relief and restoration of people and property affected by the recent shooting at the Covenant School on the church campus. (https://pcafoundation.com/covenantfund/)

The Conshohocken Arts Festival and Car Show will be held June 3 from 11am until 4pm. For the past several years CTK has participated with an Open House and Art Show. This year we are looking for artists, photographers, crafters, and hosts. Don't be shy- we need you! If you'd like to exhibit or be otherwise involved, please contact Dana McGahey.

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