

# LIVING STONE WORSHIP

## † Third Sunday of Easter †

### Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 10:45 a.m.

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#### Prayer Before Worship

Risen and ascended Lord, You have commanded us to preach repentance and forgiveness of sins to all nations. To fulfill this command, we ask You to clothe us with power from on high, Your Holy Spirit, that we may carry the message of Your resurrection to the ends of the earth; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### Announcements & Greeting

#### Opening Song

“My Lighthouse”

Verse 1

In my wrestling, and in my doubts,  
In my failures, You won't walk out.  
Your great love will lead me through;  
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa oh,  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

Verse 2

In the silence, You won't let go.  
In the questions, Your truth will hold.  
Your great love will lead me through;  
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa oh,  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

Chorus

My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,  
Shining in the darkness, I will follow You!  
Oh, My Lighthouse, my Lighthouse,  
I will trust the promise:  
You will carry me safe to shore,  
Safe to shore, safe to shore, safe to shore.

Verse 3

I won't fear what tomorrow brings.  
With each morning I'll rise and sing.  
My God's love will lead me through;  
You are the peace in my troubled sea, whoa oh,  
You are the peace in my troubled sea.

Chorus

Bridge

Fire before us, You're the brightest.  
You will lead us through the storms.  
(3X)

Chorus

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#### Invocation

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
C Amen.

#### Salutation & Prayer of the Day

P Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
C He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

P The Lord be with you.  
C And also with you.

P Let us pray.  
O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the fallen world. Grant to Your faithful people, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and eternal joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
C Amen.

## First Reading

Acts 3:11-21

While [the lame man who was now healed] clung to Peter and John, all the people ran together to them in the portico called Solomon's, astounded. And when Peter saw it he addressed the people: "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we have made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our fathers, glorified His servant Jesus, whom you delivered over and denied in the presence of Pilate, when he had decided to release Him. But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And His name—by faith in His name—has made this man strong whom you see and know, and the faith that is through Jesus has given the man this perfect health in the presence of you all. "And now, brothers, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. But what God foretold by the mouth of all the prophets, that His Christ would suffer, He thus fulfilled. Repent therefore, and turn again, that your sins may be blotted out, that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send the Christ appointed for you, Jesus, whom heaven must receive until the time for restoring all the things about which God spoke by the mouth of His holy prophets long ago."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Responsive Psalm

Psalm 4

P Answer me when I call, O God of my righteousness! You have given me relief when I was in distress.

C **Be gracious to me and hear my prayer!**

P O men, how long shall my honor be turned into shame?

C **How long will you love vain words and seek after lies?**

P But know that the LORD has set apart the godly for Himself;

C **the LORD hears when I call to Him.**

P Be angry, and do not sin;

C **ponder in your own hearts on your beds, and be silent.**

P Offer right sacrifices,

C **and put your trust in the LORD.**

P There are many who say, "Who will show us some good?"

C **Lift up the light of Your face upon us, O LORD!"**

P You have put more joy in my heart

C **than they have when their grain and wine abound.**

P In peace I will both lie down and sleep;

C **for You alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.**

All **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Second Reading

1 John 3:1-7

See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know Him. Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is. And everyone who thus hopes in Him purifies himself as He is pure.

Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that He appeared to take away sins, and in Him there is no sin. No one who abides in Him keeps on sinning; no one who keeps on sinning has either seen Him or known Him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Whoever practices righteousness is righteous, as He is righteous.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Holy Gospel

Luke 24:36–49

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And He said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Touch Me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, He said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave Him a piece of broiled fish, and He took it and ate before them.

Then He said to them, “These are My words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of My Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## Song of the Day

“Goodness of God”

Verse 1

**I love You Lord.  
Oh, Your mercy never fails me.  
All my days I've been held in Your hands.  
From the moment that I wake up  
until I lay my head,  
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

Chorus

**All my life You have been faithful.  
All my life You have been so, so good.  
With every breath that I am able  
I will sing of the goodness of God.**

Verse 2

**I love Your voice.  
You have led me through the fire  
In darkest night, You are close like no other.  
I've known You as a father,  
I've known You as a friend.  
I have lived in the goodness of God.**

Chorus

Bridge

**Your goodness is running after,  
It's running after me.  
Your goodness is running after,  
It's running after me.  
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now;  
I give You everything.  
Your goodness is running after,  
It's running after me.**

Chorus 2x

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## Sermon

“Many Who Say, One Who Does”

Psalm 4

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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.

## Offering

### Offertory Song

### “Nothin’ But the Blood”

1 What can wash away my sin?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
What can make me whole again?  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

2 For my pardon this I see,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
For my cleansing, this my plea,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus *Chorus*

Chorus

O, precious is the flow  
That makes me white as snow;  
No other fount I know,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

3 Nothing can for sin atone,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
Naught of good that I have done,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus *Chorus*

4 This is all my hope and peace,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus;  
This is all my righteousness,  
Nothing but the blood of Jesus *Chorus*

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## Prayer of the Church

- † Thomas Banks who is hospitalized.
- † Maggi Wulff who is hospitalized.
- † Karen Kramer upcoming surgery.
- † Rev. Dan McMiller recovering from surgery.
- † All who mourn the death of Lenora Parker.

## Children’s Message

## SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

### Confession of Sins and Absolution

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P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection*

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C 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.**

P 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. *John 20:19–23*

**C Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

Matthew 6:9-13

- P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:  
C **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 Words of Our Lord

Mark 14:22-24

## Pax Domini – “Peace of the Lord”

John 20:19

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **Amen.**

## Agnus Dei – “Lamb of God”

- C **Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.  
Lamb of God, You take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

John 1:29

## Distribution

### Song

### “You Never Let Go”

#### Verse 1

Even though I walk through the valley  
Of the shadow of death,  
Your perfect love is casting out fear,  
And even when I'm caught in the middle  
Of the storms of this life,  
I won't turn back, I know You are near.

#### Pre-Chorus

And I will fear no evil, For my God is with me,  
And if my God is with me,  
Whom then shall I fear? Whom then shall I fear?

#### Chorus

Oh no, You never let go,  
Through the calm and through the storm.  
Oh no, You never let go,  
In ev'ry high and ev'ry low.  
Oh no, You never let go,  
Lord, You never let go of me.

#### Verse 2

And I can see a light that is coming  
For the heart that holds on,  
A glorious light beyond all compare,  
And there will be an end to these troubles,  
But until that day comes,  
We'll live to know You here on the earth.

#### Pre-Chorus

#### Chorus

#### Bridge

Yes I can see a light that is coming  
For the heart that holds on,  
And there will be an end to these troubles,  
But until that day comes,  
Still I will praise You,  
Still I will praise You (Repeat)

#### Chorus (2x)

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**Where You go, I'll go;  
Where You stay, I'll stay;  
When You move, I'll move; I will follow.**

Verse 1

**All Your ways are good,  
All Your ways are sure;  
I will trust in You alone.  
Higher than my sight,  
High above my life;  
I will trust in You alone.**

Chorus

**Where You go, I'll go;  
Where You stay, I'll stay;  
When You move, I'll move; I will follow You.  
Whom You love, I'll love;  
How You serve, I'll serve;  
If this life I lose, I will follow You.  
I will follow You.**

Verse 2

**Light into the world,  
Light into my life,  
I will live for You alone.  
You're the One I seek,  
Knowing I will find  
All I need in You alone.  
In You alone.**

Chorus

Bridge

**In You, there's life everlasting.  
In You, there's freedom for my soul.  
In You, there's joy, unending joy.  
And I will follow.**

Chorus (2x)

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### **Dismissal**

- P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart † in peace.
- C** **Amen.**

### **Post-Communion Collect**

- P** Let us pray.  
Almighty and ever-living God, we thank You for having fed us with the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ, assuring us thereby that we are truly members of His Body, the Church. And we ask You to help us by Your Holy Spirit that we continue in this fellowship and do the good works You desire us to do; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.
- C** **Amen.**

### **Benediction**

- P** 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.
- C** **Amen**
- P** Alleluia! Christ is risen!
- C** **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Numbers 6:24–26*

## Closing Song

## “Your Love Awakens Me”

1 There were walls between us.  
By the cross You came and broke them down,  
You broke them down.  
And there were chains around us.  
By Your grace we are no longer bound,  
No longer bound.

### Pre-Chorus

You called me out of the grave.  
You called me into the light.  
You called my name and then,  
my heart came alive.

### Chorus

Your love is greater. Your love is stronger.  
Your love awakens, awakens, awakens me.  
(REPEAT)

2 Feel the darkness shaking.  
All the dead are coming back to life. I'm back to life.  
Hear the song awaken All creation singing,  
“We're alive 'Cause You're alive!”

### Pre-chorus & Chorus

### Bridge

And what a love we've found. Death can't hold us  
down.  
We shout it out: We're alive 'cause You're alive!  
(REPEAT 3x)

### Chorus (2x)

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Presiding Minister  
Children's Message  
Instrumentalists

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