



Series: Living the Resurrection

The Fruit and Power of Christ's Resurrection

"The intercession of Christ as a priest is ordained of God as a means of making his sacrifice and oblation effectual, by the application of its virtue and efficacy to us." - John Owen

"The resurrection means that Jesus is the messianic "Son of God"; that Israel's eschatological hope has been fulfilled; that it is time for the nations to be brought into submission to Israel's God." - N.T. Wright

"The Spirit is not only the author of the resurrection-act, but likewise the permanent substratum of the resurrection-life."
- Geerhardus Vos

order of worship

prelude

Leader: He has Risen !

People: He Has Risen indeed !

call to worship | based on Psalm 98

Leader: The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

People: He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Leader: Shout for joy before the LORD, the King!

People: Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it.

Leader: Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy; let them sing before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth.

People: He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.
Praise the LORD!

songs of praise

How Great is our God

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End
The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God

Come Light our Hearts

For You O Lord our souls in stillness wait
For You O Lord our souls in stillness wait
Truly our hope is in You
Truly our hope is in You

O Lord of life our only hope
Your radiance shines
On all who look to You in the dark
Emmanuel come, come light our hearts

Oh joy above all other loves
In You we find more than enough
We come as we are O heal and restore
Come light our hearts

welcome & update

prayer for the world, the church & the city

confession

Father in heaven, thank you for the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thank you for reconciling us to yourself. Thank you for inviting us to follow Jesus and lay down our lives. We come to you this morning grateful for your grace, yet also aware of our failures and shortcomings. When, at times, we deny you, Lord, when the risks of discipleship are high, and we are nowhere to be found; When we wash our hands of responsibility; When we cast our lot with powerful oppressors and seek to buy freedom with silver; When fear keeps us from witnessing to your truth, or our love of autonomy keeps us from believing it: Lord, for all these things, please forgive us. In the bright light of Easter morning, O God, our sin is exposed, and your grace is revealed. Tender God, raise us in your love so that, with joy, we may witness to your awesome deeds, in the name of Jesus, the risen one. Amen

private confession

assurance of pardon: Ezekiel 36:25-28

I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.[a] You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.

song of assurance

Before the throne of God above

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on His hands
My name is written on His heart
I know that while in heav'n He stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Saviour died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me
To look on Him and pardon me

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with Himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with His blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Saviour and my God
With Christ my Saviour and my God

I bow before the cross of Christ
And marvel at this love divine
God's perfect Son was sacrificed
To make me righteous in God's eyes
This river's depths I cannot know
But I can glory in its flood
The Lord Most High has bowed down low
And poured on me His glorious love
And poured on me His glorious love

tithes and offerings

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.

scripture reading : 1 Corinthians 15:3-4, 17-19

Reader: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

God's Word Today | Rolland Li

Sermon : The Fruit and Power of Christ's Resurrection

song of thanksgiving

This is Amazing Grace

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger
The King of Glory the King above all kings

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This is amazing grace
This is unfailing love

That You would take my place
That You would bear my cross
You laid down Your life
That I would be set free
Oh Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me

Who brings our chaos back into order
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter
The King of Glory the King of Glory

Who rules the nations with truth and justice
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy is the King who conquered the grave

benediction Hebrews 13: 20-21

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us[a] that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen

peace

Minister: The Peace of the Lord be with you all

People: And also with you

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Budget Year to Date \$118,332

Actual Giving Year to Date \$106,664

Actual Giving Last Week \$8,144

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Upward

'A worshipping people' - **Upward**

Worship: we come together corporately to exalt the Lord Jesus Christ

The Word: we submit ourselves to the Bible as our rule for faith and life

Generosity: having received from divine generosity, we overflow with generosity to the world



Inward

'transformed by the peace of God in Christ,' - **Inward**

Sacramental Life: our participation in the sacraments of bread and wine flow into our everyday lives

The Holy Spirit: living by the Spirit, we use His gifts to build the church and bless Vancouver

Prayerful Presence: we intercede for our homes, neighbourhoods and networks, for God to do His work



Outward

'seeking to be faithful stewards of the Kingdom.' - **Outward**

Covenantal Commitments: we covenant with one another to uphold, support and love one another.

Priestly Work: we see all of life as calling (as "vocation")

Proclamation: we proclaim the Cross of Christ as the accomplishment of God's Kingdom for the world