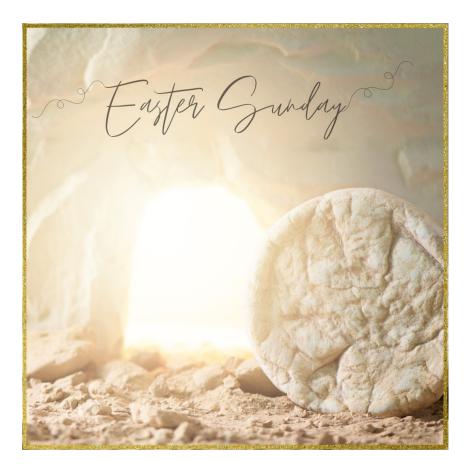


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Easter Sunday, Mar 31, 2024

Lamplighters Service 6:30pm WELCOME

WORSHIP IN SONG

OPENING PRAYER

READINGS 1 Corinthians 15:1-5, 12-26, 58

¹Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. [...]

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. ¹⁵ We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For as by a human being came death, by a human being has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³ But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴ Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵ For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶ The last enemy to be destroyed is death. [...]

⁵⁸ Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

Luke 24:1-12

¹ But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. 2 And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. ⁵ And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful people and be crucified and on the third day rise." ⁸ And they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, ¹¹ but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marvelling at what had happened.

SERMON

Easter: Morning

Tim Haughton

REFLECTION

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Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God

from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father; through him all things were made.

Do you believe and trust in the saving work of Jesus Christ?

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

OFFERTORY WORSHIP

OFFERTORY

In our offertory, we offer our praise and thanksgiving and the gifts of bread and wine to the glory of God.

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PRAYERS

WEEKLY CYCLE OF PRAYER

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SPECIAL PRAYER

For God's peace and love to surround those preparing for baptism: Bennett, Caspian, Cyrus, Eliot, Gloria, Luna, Maisie, Olivia and Peter, as well as James, Jonathan and Joshua reaffirming their Christian faith

CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

All: Merciful God, you have called us to be your people, but we have not loved one another as we ought. Selfish ambition has gripped us and we have failed to look out for others' interests above our own. Conceit and pride have gripped us, and we have failed to associate with and care for those who are different from ourselves. Forgive us for these offenses against you and subdue within us everything that is contrary to your will. By the power of your Holy Spirit, transform us both individually and as a community. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen. Leader: Merciful and loving God, grant to each one of us forgiveness and peace; that we may start each day afresh, secure in the knowledge of your never failing love for us. Give us the strength to serve you this week, renewed in body, mind and spirit. We give you thanks through the name of Jesus Christ, our only Redeemer. **Amen.**

COMMUNION PRAYER

The Lord be with you. Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We praise and bless you, loving Father through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts that broken bread and wine out-poured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

On the night before your Son died, he had supper with his friends, and taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, shared it with them and said: Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

When supper was ended he took a cup of wine. Again your Son gave you thanks, shared it and said: Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Father, for your Son, we praise you.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, and with confidence, place all our hope on his sacrifice, made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,

we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory.

Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set us free. You are the Saviour of the world.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

As our Saviour Christ has taught, we are bold to pray.

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, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

COMMUNION

All those who have placed their trust in Jesus as Saviour and Lord, being baptized in any Christian denomination, are welcome to the Lord's table. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request from the communion administrant.

MUSICAL WORSHIP

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Merciful Father, we thank you that you fed us with your bread and wine. Open our hearts this week that we may be transformed by your free offer of grace, not trapped by the demands of religion. Set us free to experience the joy of being freely loved and forgiven by you through the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ. We ask these things in his name. Amen.

BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLOSING WORSHIP

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.



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NEXT SUNDAY, APR 7, 2024

6:30pm Lamplighters Service Readings: Acts 2:22-24, 32-33, 36-39 & Mark 1:4-15



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