



Worship Bulletin

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

"The Harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few.
Therefore pray to the Lord of the harvest to send out
laborers into His harvest." Luke 10:2

Welcome!

For God's glory and by His grace, Harvest Fellowship exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ who are progressively growing in their love of God, their love of people, and their commitment to help others grow as disciples.

If you are visiting us today, we would like to connect with you! Please scan the QR code in the insert or complete the yellow 'Welcome' card and place it in the offering plate by the sanctuary entrance.

God Calls Us

Call To Worship — Psalm 118: 1,14-15,19-20,24

Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation. Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous: The right hand of the Lord does valiantly. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Prayer of Invocation

Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

Words by Charles Wesley, 1739; *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," *Alleluia!*

Sons of men and angels say; *Alleluia!*

Raise your joys and triumphs high; *Alleluia!*

Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. *Alleluia!*

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; *Alleluia!*

Christ has burst the gates of hell: *Alleluia!*

Death in vain forbids His rise; *Alleluia!*

Christ has opened paradise. *Alleluia!*

Lives again our glorious King; *Alleluia!*

Where, O death, is now thy sting? *Alleluia!*

Once He died, our souls to save; *Alleluia!*

Where thy victory, O grave? *Alleluia!*

Soar we now where Christ has led, *Alleluia!*

Foll'wing our exalted Head; *Alleluia!*

Made like Him, like Him we rise; *Alleluia!*

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, *Alleluia!*

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O Praise the Name (Anástasis)

Words & Music by Dean Ussher, Marty Sampson, and Benjamin Hastings

I cast my mind to Calvary,
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds, His hands,
His feet My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears,
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb,
The entrance sealed by heavy stone,
Messiah still and all alone

**O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forever - more
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord, oh Lord our God**

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of Heaven rose again.
O trampled death, where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night,
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

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God Renews Us

Scripture Reading: Psalm 16:1-16 (p.453, 454)

¹ Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. ² I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you." ³ As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight. ⁴ The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips. ⁵ The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. ⁶ The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance. ⁷ I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. ⁸ I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. ¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. ¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Same Power

Words and music by Jason Ingram, Jeremy Camp

I can see waters raging at my feet
I can feel the breath of those surrounding me
I can hear the sound of nations rising up
We will not be overtaken, we will not be overcome

I can walk down this dark and painful road
I can face every fear of the unknown
I can hear all God's children singing out
We will not be overtaken, we will not be overcome

The same power that rose Jesus from the grave

The same power that commands the dead to wake

Lives in us, lives in us

The same power that moves mountains when He speaks

The same power that can calm a raging sea

Lives in us, lives in us

He lives in us, lives in us

We have hope that His promises are true
In His strength there is nothing we can't do
Yes we know there are greater things in store
We will not be overtaken, we will not be overcome

*Greater is He that is living in me,
He's conquered our enemy
No power of darkness, no weapon prevails,
We stand here in victory*

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Prayers of the People

God Speaks To Us

"He is Risen"

John 20:1-10 (p.906)

Barry Noll

¹ 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.

Special Music: Forever

God Strengthens Us

Affirmation of Faith: New City Catechism #52

Leader: What hope does everlasting life hold for us?

All: It reminds us that this present fallen world is not all there is; soon we will live with and enjoy God forever in the new city, in the new heaven and the new earth, where we will be fully and forever freed from all sin and will inhabit renewed, resurrection bodies in a renewed, restored creation.

The Lord's Supper

Harvest Fellowship welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation to partake in the Lord's Supper with us.

(The pink cups in the outer ring of the communion tray contained wine. The rest is grape juice. Bread is gluten-free)

God Sends Us

Worship through Tithes & Offerings

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich" ~ 2 Corinthians 8:9

Offerings (General & Mercy) can also be made online or mail to Harvest Fellowship, P.O. Box 475, Lusby, MD 20657.



The Old Rugged Cross

Words & Music by George Bennard (1873-1958)

On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross
The emblem of suffering and shame
And I love that old cross where the dearest and best
For a world of lost sinners was slain

**So I'll cherish the old rugged cross
Till my trophies at last I lay down
I will cling to the old rugged cross
And exchange it some day for a crown**

To the old rugged cross I will ever be true,
It's shame and reproach gladly bear,
Then he'll call me some day to my home far away,
Where his glory forever I'll share.

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Jesus Paid It All

Words & Music by Alex Nifong, Elvina M. Hall, and John Thomas Grape

I hear the Savior say "Thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray. Find in Me thine all in all"

**Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain.
He washed it white as snow**

Lord, now indeed I find Thy pow'r and Thine alone
Can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone

And when before the throne I stand in Him complete
Jesus died my soul to save my lips shall still repeat

O praise the one who paid my debt and raised this life up from the dead

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Benediction

Announcements

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Prayer is available in the Prayer Room

Sermon Notes

For Further Discussion:

1. What questions do you still have about the resurrection of Jesus? How does the study of the accounts of Jesus' resurrection challenge or reinforce your belief and understanding of the resurrection of Jesus?
2. Who are the first ones to the tomb to witness the resurrection of Jesus (vv. 1, 11-18; Matt. 28:1; Mk. 16:1)? How is this evidence to support the fact that Jesus actually rose from the dead?
3. Why are the grave clothes being left behind significant to veracity of the resurrection of Jesus (vv. 6-8)? What does the folding of the cloths indicate about the nature of Jesus' resurrection (vs. 6)?
4. What is the biblical requirement for testimony to be admissible in Old Testament law (Deut. 17:6; 19:15)? How does the fact that Peter and John do not immediately understand what had happened to Jesus underline the fact that they didn't fabricate the resurrection of Jesus (vv. 8-10)?
5. What proof to the resurrection does the post resurrection appearances of Jesus to Mary and the other disciples provide for the original readers (vv. 11-29; 1 Cor. 15: 5-8)? How does believing in the resurrection of Jesus make a difference in your marriage, parenting, service and witness for Christ on a daily basis (1 Cor. 15:12-28, 50-58)?