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VICTORY!

When the perishable puts on the imperishable,
and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall
come to pass the saying that is written:

**"Death is
swallowed up
in victory."**

**"O death, where is your victory?
O death, where is your sting?"**

1 Corinthians 15:54-55



Morning Worship

The Lord's Day, April 12, 2020, 10:00 AM

*During the prelude, please prepare your heart
to worship our gracious, Almighty God together.*

Prelude

Marsha Glover, Pianist

Welcome

Call to Worship

PSALM 118

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!
His faithful loves endures forever!

The stone rejected by the builders has now become the cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous to see!

This is the day the Lord has made!
We will rejoice and be glad in it!

The Lord is our strength and our song; he has become our victory!
You are our God, and we will praise you;
You are our God, and we will exalt you.

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Hymn of Praise

Nº: 277

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

1 "Christ the Lord is risen today," Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

2 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!

3 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!

4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise: Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

5 Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!
Hail, the Resurrection Thou! Alleluia!

Invocation

Hymn of Praise

N^o: 276

“Up from the Grave He Arose”

1 Low in the grave he lay— Jesus, my Savior,
Waiting the coming day—Jesus, my Lord.

Refrain

Up from the grave he arose With a mighty triumph o'er his foes.
He arose a victor from the dark domain, And he lives forever with his
saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

2 Vainly they watch his bed—Jesus, my Savior;
Vainly they seal the dead—Jesus, my Lord. [Refrain]

3 Death cannot keep his prey—Jesus, my Savior;
He tore the bars away—Jesus, my Lord. [Refrain]

Gospel 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'[a] 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.

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Anthem

“Christ Is Risen (He Is Risen Indeed)”

Reading of Holy Scripture

Romans 8:31-39

Sermon

DR. JOHN K. DAWSON

“Easter Assurance”

Hymn of Response

N^o 286

“Worship Christ, the Risen King!”

1 Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

2 See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares: “Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares.” Come and worship, come and worship Christ, the risen King!

3 Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with pow’r; all hell’s minions may assemble, but cannot withstand his hour. He has conquered, he has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!

4 Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer; but the truth proclaims a wonder thoughtful hearts receive with cheer. He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!

5 We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory; sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free. Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

Benediction

Sermon Notes

Romans 8:31-39

I. The Assurance That Good Friday Demonstrates

II. The Assurance That Easter Implicates

III. The Assurance That Nothing Separates

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Worship Service: April 5

Live Views 56

Total Online Views 136

Children’s Virtual Sunday School 22



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Will Brown Memorial Golf Tournament: In view of the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) crisis and the many complicated concerns associated with the virus, the MMT has decided to cancel the Golf Tournament for 2020.

Ladies' Spring Gathering: In light of the recent coronavirus situation and resulting restrictions, the Ladies' Spring Gathering for May 5th has been cancelled. We do plan to have a Ladies' Fellowship when restrictions on social distancing are lifted, so stay tuned! We can't wait to be able to be together and visit face to face!

IN PRAYER

- **MTW Missionary of the Week:** Rodney and Jana Davila (Costa Rica)
- **Ministry of the Week:** Reformed Theological Seminary
- **Shepherding Group of the Week:** Nat Whitten, Luther Stowers & Eric Napier
- **Child(ren) of the Week:** James David Wade
- **College Student of the Week:** Matt Stowers
- God would bless us with new **conversions, visitors, families, & members.**

Weddings and Babies:

- **Holly and Tim Williams:** expecting a baby girl, Georgia, July 5th.
- **Laura and Wilson Whitten:** expecting a baby July 21st.
- **Lacey and Dominic Avioli:** expecting a baby in August.
- **Terry and Jackson Pullen:** expecting a baby Sept 28th
- **Sarah Carpenter and Thad Moody:** to be married in October 17th.
- **John Stowers and Anna Kate Carter:** to be married Nov 14th.
- **Jody White:** critical condition at St. D with Coronavirus, because of a heart condition he is not responding well to treatment, wife and son are being treated at home.
- **Bob Booth:** neurological disease in left arm and hand, undergoing PT, seeing a new doctor, scheduled for MRI on May 1.
- **Linda Harrison:** rehabbing at home, eating normal meals.
- **Rachel Mahaffey** (Daniel's wife): on a nursing rotation to combat the COVID-19 virus
- **Ken Bramlett:** had a pacemaker put in on March 9th, doing well.
- **Gloria Tolar** (Darrin Tolar's Mother): recovering from stroke, some improvement, working to get trach removed.
- **Bill Glover:** Parkinson's, may have Shy-Drager syndrome as well, blood pressure normalized, problems with rapid pulse rate, debilitating fatigue.

- **Charles Watkins** (Sharon Nicholson's brother): at Hospice Ministries.
- **Lois Carman:** severe back pain from scoliosis.

Loved ones battling cancer:

- **Kelly Langford** (Jacquelyn Thornell's Daughter): cancer has spread to spine, continuing oral chemo, will see her Jackson oncologist later this month, will return to MD Anderson in May.
- **Steven Bell** (Tiffany Glover's brother): liver/colon cancer, doing well, just finished second round of chemo.
- **Will Glover** (Marsha & Bill Glover's Son): MRI was clear, continues to battle nausea, vomiting and fatigue.
- **Robin Marbury Morris** (Jeanne Monsour's Niece): liver & colon cancer, continuing chemo biweekly.
- **Gib Vredeveld** (Julie Rogers' Father): esophageal cancer, saw new oncologist, will not be running anymore tests, next appointment scheduled for July, doctor told him to call if he starts having pain where he normally doesn't have any pain, otherwise he is doing good except for having to cough up increased secretions from his esophagus.
- **Leah Herbert** (Ainslie Curtis' teacher): stage 4 cervical cancer, single Mom of a 6th grader, check-up showed no treatment is needed right now, will return in 2 months for follow-up.
- **Jim Smith:** pancreatic cancer, endoscopy showed ulcers have healed and no evidence of infection. Praise God!
- **Andrew Gerrard** (Jo Stanford's Nephew): Desmoplastic round cell tumor; last scan showed cancer has not spread, continuing treatment.
- **Presbyterian pastors in MS fighting cancer:** Alan Stanton, Pinehaven in Clinton (brain tumor); Richard Owens, Westminster Pres, Greenwood (brain tumor); Jerry Long, Batesville Pres (kidney cancer).
- **Anna Taylor** (wife of Jim Taylor, Pastor of The Pointe): cancer in her back.
- **Andrew McCall** (Son of Rev. & Mrs. Perry McCall): acute leukemia.
- **Terry McGinty** (Kerri Matthews' Uncle): prostate cancer
- **Service members:** Matthew Hellier (Japan), S.T. Heath, Joey Brown (nephew of Barbara Fowler)
- **Nursing home residents & shut-ins:** Dr. John Adams, Martha Baker, Joe Berryhill, Ken Bramlette, Evelyn Culpepper, Elsa Davis, Bob & Jody Nelson, Edsell and Laverne Parks, Laverne Roberts