

THE LORD'S DAY

April 9, 2023

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (10:55 AM)

INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP: *Psalm* 56:10-13

*INVOCATION

*HYMN: **Trinity 277 (Blue)** - *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

CORPORATE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, You shattered the power of sin and death.

All: We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death.

Minister: We confess that we have not bowed before Christ or acknowledged His rule in our lives.

All: We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give Him glory.

Minister: Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be Your faithful people.

All: Fill our lives and our church with the glory of the risen Christ that we may know the joy of life abundant in You. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *Romans* 6:5-8

*GLORIA PATRI - **Trinity 735**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *Westminster Larger Catechism* Q. 52, 87

Q. 52. How was Christ exalted in his resurrection?

A. Christ was exalted in his resurrection, in that, not having seen corruption in death, (of which it was not possible for him to be held,) and having the very same body in which he suffered, with the essential properties thereof, (but without mortality, and other common infirmities belonging to this life,) really united to his soul, he rose again from the dead the third day by his own power; whereby he declared himself to be the Son of God, to have satisfied divine justice, to have vanquished death, and him that had the power of it, and to be Lord of quick and dead: all which he did as a public person, the head of his church, for their justification, quickening in grace, support against enemies, and to assure them of their resurrection from the dead at the last day.

87. What are we to believe concerning the resurrection?

A. We are to believe, that at the last day there shall be a general resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust: when they that are then found alive shall in a

moment be changed; and the self-same bodies of the dead which were laid in the grave, being then again united to their souls for ever, shall be raised up by the power of Christ. The bodies of the just, by the Spirit of Christ, and by virtue of his resurrection as their head, shall be raised in power, spiritual, incorruptible, and made like to his glorious body; and the bodies of the wicked shall be raised up in dishonour by him, as an offended judge.

CONGREGATIONAL SCRIPTURE READING: *Psalm* 16 (Insert)

HYMN: **Bible Songs 263 (Green)** - *God Shall Guard From Every Ill (Psalm 121)*

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN: **Trinity 528 (Blue)** - *My Faith Looks Up to Thee*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON TEXT: Acts 20:17-38 (p. 929, LP p. 1105)

SERMON: "Powerfully Testifying to the Gospel of Christ"

*HYMN: **Insert** - *In Christ Alone*, Insert (Stanzas 1-2)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (**Bread** is gluten free; **Wine** is on the outer ring)

*HYMN: **Insert** - *In Christ Alone*, Insert (Stanzas 3-4)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY - **Trinity 731**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father, and the grace of Christ, the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit, keep our hearts and minds within his love. And to him be praise for his glorious reign from the depths of earth to the heights of heav'n, We declare the name of the Lamb once slain, Christ eternal, the King of Kings.

POSTLUDE

**Please stand, if able*

If you are visiting with us, please complete a Visitor's Card and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

If you need prayer, an elder is available following the service by the door to the anteroom.