

The Resurrection

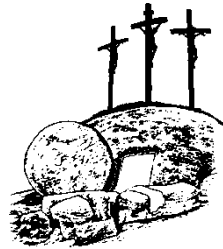
*We hold so close to our hearts
The cross where Jesus died
But so much more than the blood-stained cross
Is that Jesus came back to life*

*The stone's been rolled away
The tomb lay open and bare
They looked for Him, and then the angel said
That He is no longer here*

*Oh what joy they must have felt
To see Him just once more
To eat with Him, to drink with Him
To receive Him back as Lord*

*So much did He accomplish
Through His death upon the cross
And in His rising from the dead
He reconciled us back to God*

*Nothing else could bridge the gap
That sin had wrenched apart
Now we can freely go to God
And receive Christ in our hearts*



~ M. S. Lowndes

He is
RISEN
Happy Easter

HOPE
for All

HE HAS RISEN! HE IS NOT HERE.

MARK 16:6 (NIV)

Easter Celebration Sunday

April 17, 2022

Hymn #302.....“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

The Easter Story (John 20:1-7).....Tom Woolslayer

Prayer of Invocation & Adoration

Prelude.....“Crown Him with Many Crowns”.....Jerri Blair & Linda Morey

Hymn #327.....“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Call to Worship:

Leader: We celebrate with excitement and joy an empty tomb! By the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we can have a new life, new hope, and new possibility!

People: *Because Christ is risen, we have been rescued from our past for God has made us whole.*

Leader: By Christ’s resurrection, the dead are raised and brought to life.

People: *Because Christ is risen, abundant life is ours, both now and forevermore.*

All: *CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!*

Video.....“A Very Special Sunday”

Children’s Sermon.....Adrienne Morton

Praise & Worship.....“Same Power”

.....“I Will Rise”

Easter Prayer

Scripture Reading (Mark 16:1-8; John 20:11-16)

Message of the Hour.....Pastor Keith

“Easter Hope”

Prayer of Confession

People: *Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we have sinned. We are truly sorry and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may serve you in newness of life to the glory of your name.*

Leader: Dear God, please confirm and strengthen this church in all goodness, and keep them in your life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord your sins are forgiven indeed. Amen.

Communion Song.....“What a Beautiful Name”

Song of Response #322.....“Up from the Grave He Arose”

Benediction

Exit Song.....“All Because of Jesus”

John 20:1-7

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. ² So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. ⁴ Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, ⁷ as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. **HE IS RISEN INDEED!**

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they might go to anoint Jesus’ body. ² Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they were on their way to the tomb ³ and they asked each other, “Who will roll the stone away from the entrance of the tomb?”

⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had been rolled away. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. ⁶ “Don’t be alarmed,” he said. “You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter, ‘He is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.’”

⁸ Trembling and bewildered, the women went out and fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

John 20:11-16

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus’ body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³ They asked her, “Woman, why are you crying?” “They have taken my Lord away,” she said, “and I don’t know where they have put him.” ¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ He asked her, “Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for? Thinking he was the gardener, she said, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned toward him and cried out in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (which means “Teacher”).