



Jennings Road Church of Christ  
1124 Jennings Road, Van Wert, OH  
[www.jenningsroad.org](http://www.jenningsroad.org)  
Pastor David Ray, Jr.  
\* Worship Service – 10:00 AM  
Also on YouTube & Facebook Live \*  
**April, 2021**

## April 2021 Sermon Series Quick: Easter!

### *We believe...*

*...that Jesus Christ is the one and only  
Son of God, who died for our sins  
and rose from the dead.*

**1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 3:16**

*...that the Bible is the inspired Word  
of God – a lamp unto our feet and  
light unto our path.*

**2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:105**

*...that every person has worth in God's  
eyes, and that all have sinned and  
fallen short of the glory of God.*

**Romans 3:23**

*...that forgiveness of sins and the  
promise of eternal life are available  
to those who trust in Jesus Christ  
as Savior and Lord.*

**John 3:16**

*...that those accepting Christ should  
repent of sin, confess their faith, and  
be baptized by immersion into Him.*

**Romans 10:9; Acts 2:38**

*...that the church is the body of Christ  
on earth, empowered by the Holy Spirit  
to bring the lost to Christ and the  
saved into a nurturing relationship  
with Jesus.*

**Ephesians 4:1-16**

**The Jennings Road Church of  
Christ exists to glorify God by  
turning unchurched people into  
fully devoted followers of Christ.**

One of the things that 2020 taught us was to not spend too much time doing, well, much of anything. Holding stuff. Traveling. Being around other people. Mark, in his personal style, doesn't spend too much time on any moment of Jesus' life. Yet, the little that he does talk about the resurrection of Jesus actually provides us with a lot.

April 4

Who

Mark 16:1-8

On the very first Easter, the women going to the tomb had a simple question when they realized how overwhelming their reality had become: who could possibly help? Ironically, God had already provided that answer. What keeps us from seeking God first?

April 11

When

Mark 16:9-11

The angel told Mary and the others to go tell Peter and the disciples that Jesus isn't dead. Think they'd be excited? They weren't. What is it that keeps us from believing that God is alive and well?

April 18

While

Mark 16:12-13

Ever wonder why it seems that when we beg God to show Himself, He doesn't, but when we least expect Him too; BOOM! Two nameless guys in the Judean countryside can relate.

April 25

Joe Heins, WCCH

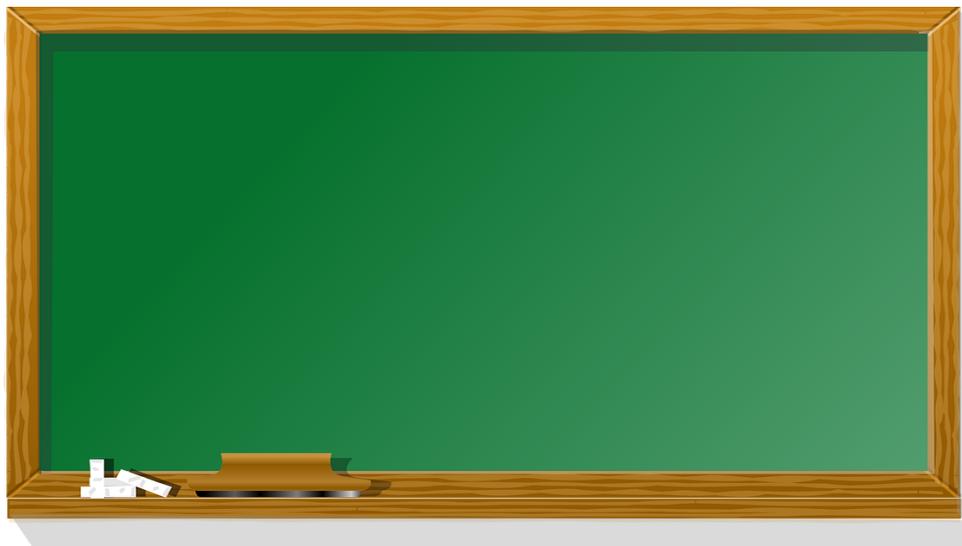
Special guest Joe Heins will be joining JRCC today! Joe is the executive director of one of our missions, Woodburn Christian Children's Home in Woodburn, Indiana. Joe will be preaching the sermon at the 10 AM service and as a special bonus we are adding a 9 AM time for you to visit with Joe as he shares exciting news about WCCH and how JRCC can play a significant role at the Home.

# Youth News

Youth Group meetings are temporarily suspended.  
Remember to support each other by prayer and encouraging words!  
Stay positive! We WILL get through this together!



Therefore encourage one another and build each other up,  
just as in fact you are doing. I Thessalonians 5:11 (NIV)



Keep our students, parents & educators in your prayers!  
May God bless them and their families!

You can reach the youth group through their Facebook page [jrccyouthgroup](#)  
or email [JrccYouthGroup@outlook.com](mailto:JrccYouthGroup@outlook.com)



**Prayer Requests & Praises**

Pastor Dave – health  
Rosie Miracle – health  
Jerry Miracle – health  
Kenisha Seibert – health  
Modesta Taran - health  
Donna Klinger - Lupus  
Carol Thomas – Parkinson’s disease Julie  
Kuhlhorst – physical & emotional pain  
Wilma Peterson – Parkinson’s disease Marie  
Ray – health  
Jennie Glaze – health

4/11 Madison Langdon  
4/14 Betty Taylor  
4/15 Tracy Dickson  
4/17 Carter Bledsoe  
4/21 Sandy Dowdy  
4/21 Bella Schulte  
4/24 Beth Bilimek  
4/28 Emmy Dickson  
4/29 Colby Kuhn

Please let Anita Searl know of any changes needed to the prayer request list.



**Pray for our Military & families**

Kirsten Roberts – Marines  
Jayden Dickson – Air Force  
Josh Leiter – Marines  
Lee Clay – Marine  
Jeffrey Kinner – Navy  
Josh Ray – Marines  
Nolan Washington - Navy  
Michael Kapangma-Air Force National Guard



*Easter Sunday - April 4, 2021*

## April Serving Schedule

Greeters

Prayer Room

Cleaning

Servers

Communion Prep:



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### Jennings Road Church of Christ Leadership

***Pastor:*** David Ray, Jr.

***Elders:*** Keith Langdon Earl Bledsoe Matt Langdon

**Ministry Leaders:**

***Music/Worship:*** Matt Langdon

***Administrative:*** Anita Searl

***Maintenance/Servers:*** Greg Roberts

***Financials:*** Johnna Roberts

***Hospitality:*** Jamie Ramos  
Deb Bledsoe



## **ONE VICTORY**, by Jerry Harris ~Christian Standard

History is full of victories. Some, like the Super Bowl, are watched by millions of fully committed fans only to be forgotten the next year by all but the most committed. Some victories actually turn the tide of history from one empire to another, leaving those who follow to speculate on what might have happened had the battle been lost and the tide not turned. Some victors are heralded as the greatest of all time but are later found to have cheated to gain an unfair advantage. Some victories change the course of history but are completely forgotten by later generations. Games, empires, and champions have come and gone over the centuries---some are remembered but most are forgotten.

But there is one battle, one moment, and one champion remembered by all the world, and the victory won was for the whole world and for all time. The location of the battle was obscure in its day but afterward it became the center of the world---the center point of the world's three great monotheistic religions, whose conflicts with one another have continued to mark it for millennia. This particular battle initially went unnoticed by nearly all the world. It didn't even look like a battle; instead, it looked like a fairly typical criminal execution of a religious leader rejected by his own people and put to death by an occupying force.

A largely untraveled man, barely an adult by most standards, with only three years as a public presence---without abundant finances, proper education, public writings, a formal organization, or a visible army---fought an invisible battle with an enemy no one acknowledged. He came without conventional weapons, brothers-in-arms, any perceived strategy, and without any apparent pathway to a positive outcome.

He died virtually alone, abandoned by nearly all who called him a friend. He died naked, surrounded by murderers and thieves, as pious religious people cursed, spat at, and reviled him. For the professional soldiers who stood guard near him, it was "just another day." He died in physical agony---for no crime (because those in authority knew he was without fault). Two religious cowards, accompanied by two straggling followers, buried him . . . and that was the end of it.

No one knew what was actually happening. No one could have imagined that a strategy for battle that had unfolded for thousands of years was playing out before their eyes. No one realized that what seemed like epic failure was only the crisis moment that would bring the greatest victory of all time---a victory the whole world would remember forever.

That Friday over 2,000 years ago was the date of the greatest battle of all time, and daybreak the following Sunday testified to the greatest victory of all time. Nothing compares to it.

One man faced all the forces of darkness and the mountain ranges of sin that had piled up over countless years, and he flattened them. His victory was absolute. He was victorious over physical death, the inevitable consequence of even just one sin against God, because Jesus never sinned . . . not even once. He was victorious over Satan and all the allies of that ancient enemy of God; Jesus' victory removed all power Satan held over this world and the children of God for all time.

Jesus crushed the serpent's head. He was victorious over all the world's accumulated sin---past, present and future---covering over sin's guilty stain with His perfect blood. As the hymn proclaims, "He arose the victor from the dark domain and he lives forever with his saints to reign!"

It was over 2,000 years ago, but it remains as powerful as if it were yesterday. The world cannot forget Jesus' victory, though untold numbers have tried to snuff out its memory, explain it away, discount it, and ignore it. Still, the resurrection victory towers over the wrecks of time.

Every other earthly triumph will come and go, many will be forgotten, but this one, only this one, will remain the achievement that will forever define who we were, who we are, and what we will be! **Jesus is risen!**