

Unity Moravian Church

April 12, 2020

EASTER SUNDAY

11:00 a.m.

THE CONGREGATION PREPARES FOR WORSHIP

WELCOME AND CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Watch the Lamb”
(Rick Madison)

Boltz

HEARING GOD’S WORD PROCLAIMED

LITURGY

EASTER

(Hymnal pages 90 – 92)

The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Sing this aloud and proclaim it to the ends of the earth:

The Lord has set his people free!

HYMN

“The Day of Resurrection”

John of Damascus 8th Century

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over, with hymns of victory.*

*Now let the heav’ns be joyful! Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.*

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By God’s great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you!

Praise, honor, glory, and power to the One seated on the throne, and to the Lamb forever and ever!

Jesus was handed over to death for our sins,
And was raised to life for our justification.

Who will separate us from the love of Christ?
Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us.

For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels,
nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,
**Nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

HYMN

*Christians, dismiss your fear; let hope and joy succeed;
The joyful news with gladness hear, "The Lord is ris'n indeed!"
The promise is fulfilled in Christ our only Head;
Justice with mercy's reconciled, he lives who once was dead.*

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves.
If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord;
So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.

We do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death,
so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope.
**For we believe that Jesus died and rose again,
and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have died in him.**

What we are saying, brothers and sisters, is this:
flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God,
Nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

So it is with the resurrection of the dead.
What is sown as perishable,
Is raised is imperishable.

What is sown in dishonour,
Is raised in glory.

It is sown in weakness,
Is raised in power.

What is sown as a physical body,
Is raised a spiritual body.

When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality,
then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:
'Death has been swallowed up in victory.'
Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

HYMN 358

*"Jesus Christ Is Ris'n Today" from 14th Century Latin Liturgy
Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!*

Now to God the Father praised, Alleluia!
With the Son, from death upraised, Alleluia!
And the Spirit, ever blessed; Alleluia!
On true God, by all confessed. Alleluia!

TEXT FOR THE DAY

John 21: 1 – 14

THE MESSAGE FOR TODAY

“The Easter Challenge”

SILENT REFLECTION

CANTICLE

“Prayer of Saint Francis”
(Rick Madison)

Von Tempelhoff

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING

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CONCERNS AND JOYS FOR THE COMMUNITY, NATION AND WORLD

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER RESPONSE

“Were You There/Crown Him With Many Crowns”

arr. Ham

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

FOLLOWING OUR LAMB INTO THE WORLD

HYMN 402

“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name”

*All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall, let angels postrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.*

O that with yonder sacred throng we, at his feet may fall, we, at his feet may fall;
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

arr. Whitworth

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Watchword Text for the Year

Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. II Corinthians 4:15

In essentials **UNITY**, in non-essentials, **LIBERTY**, in all things, **LOVE!**

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