



# WORSHIPING THE RISEN LORD AND SAVIOR

## Easter Sunday

### April 1, 2018

Please turn off all communication devices. Hearing Assistance Devices are available; please ask a Greeter.  
Children's Bulletins are available at the Welcome Table.

*He Was Raised On The Third Day According To The Scriptures!*

**PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**     *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*     Arr. by Donna J. Krieger

Please take this time to quietly meditate on the following Scripture passage as you prepare your heart to worship the Lord.

*At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.*

**Daniel 12:1-2 (ESV)**

**INTROIT**

*See, What A Morning*

By Getty & Townend

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

**based on 1 Peter 1:3-5 (ESV)**

As God's Word calls us to worship, let's shout these words to one another recognizing that our worship is a response to God's gracious call.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead.

People: **He is risen indeed!**

CHOIR: **Alleluia!**

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: **He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

CHOIR: **He has raised Jesus from the dead.**

Leader: God has claimed us as his own!

People: **He has brought us out of darkness.**

CHOIR: **He has made us light to the world.**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

ALL: **Christ the Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**\*HYMN OF EXALTATION #277** (stanzas 1, 3-5)     *Christ The Lord Is Risen Today*

**\*PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Pastor David Stain

**THE FIRST GOSPEL LESSON** (page 884 in pew Bible)

**Luke 24:1-8 (ESV)**

*But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words.*

**\*SONG OF PRAISE**

*Christ Is Risen*

*\*For those who are able, please stand.*

**THE SECOND GOSPEL LESSON** (page 885 in pew Bible)

**Luke 24:9-11 (ESV)**

*And returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.*

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

After the public confession below, you are encouraged to confess your sins silently to God.

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord, in whose name we pray, Amen.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**Romans 8:9-11 (ESV)**

*You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him. But if Christ is in you, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.*

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE**

*Glorious Day*

**CHILDREN’S SERMON**

*Share The News!*

Elder Jeff Cunningham

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**Luke 24:1-9 (ESV)**

**SCRIPTURE READING** (page 943 in pew Bible)

**Romans 6:9-11 (ESV)**

*We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God.*

**\*CONFESSION OF FAITH**

**The Heidelberg Catechism, Question #45**

**Pastor:** How does Christ’s resurrection benefit us?

**People:** **First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he won for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already now resurrected to a new life. Third, Christ’s resurrection is a guarantee of our glorious resurrection.**

*\*For those who are able, please stand.*

**\*GREETING OF PEACE**

**John 20:19-21 (ESV)**

Please take this opportunity to greet those around you offering them the right hand of fellowship and the peace which is only found in Christ.

*On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."*

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER**

Pastor David Stain

**WORSHIPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS**

Please take a moment to sign our "Fellowship Pad" and pass it along to those worshipping with you. Thank you!  
The offering is a vital part of our response to God and God's Word. It helps us connect our adoration for God with our life of discipleship.

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.*

**James 1:17 (ESV)**

**OFFERTORY**

*They Could Not*

Arr. by Camp Kirkland

**SCRIPTURE READING** (page 961 in blue pew Bible)

**1 Corinthians 15:1-4**

**SERMON**

***"The Resurrection Predicted"***

Rev. David Stain

Pastor, Spring Hills Presbyterian Church

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE**

***Hallelujah Chorus***

Please be prepared to use your insert and join the choir upon direction.

**\*BENEDICTION**

**Hebrews 13:20-21 (ESV)**

*Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.*

**POSTLUDE**

***Jesus Christ Is Risen Today***

Arr. by John Innes

**Personal Prayer and Counsel**

*"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality."*

**Romans 12:10, 12, 13 (NIV)**

We want so much to come alongside you in brotherly love and hospitality by your allowing us to be in prayer for your salvation or any need you may have. Please see Pastor Stain or one of our Elders at the back of the church following the worship service where we are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence.

**Spring Hills Presbyterian Church is committed to:**

**CHANGED HEARTS** through the transforming power of the Gospel of Grace,

**CHANGED LIVES** through Biblical preaching, teaching, fellowship and discipleship, and a

**CHANGED COMMUNITY**, where the community is so transformed by the power of the Gospel that it becomes predominately Christian and committed to the worship and service of our Triune God.