APRIL 4, 2021

EASTER SUNDAY

JESUS IS ALIVE FOREVERMORE! HALLELUJAH!

The Prelude

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing!

arr. B. Culli

The Call to Worship

Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

The Choral Introit

When Mary Through the Garden Went

When Mary through the garden went, there was no sound of any bird, and yet, because the night was spent, the little grasses lightly stirred, the flowers awoke, the lilies heard. When Mary through the garden went, the dew lay still on flow'r and grass, the waving palms about her sent their fragrance out as she did pass, no light upon the branches was. When Mary through the garden went, she sought within the garden ground, One for whom her heart was rent, One who for her sake was bound, One who sought and she was found.

Words by Mary Coleridge based on John 20:1-16, music by Nancy Gifford

The Hymn of Praise No. 277

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia! Sing ye heav'ns and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise; Alleuia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia! Made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Words by Charles Wesley, 1739, Easter Hymn from Lyra Davidica, 1708

The Invocation Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Confession of Faith

I Corinthians 15:16-26

If the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our faith is futile and we are still in our sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

The Hymn

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless Babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save 'til on the cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain; then, bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand; 'til He returns or calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

Words and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend © 2001 Kingsway Thankyou Music

The Scripture Reading Romans 6:1-14

The Offertory

Christ is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed

How can it be the One who died has born our sin in sacrifice, to conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing Hallelujah! For joy awakes as dawning light when Christ's disciples lift their eyes. Alive He stands, their friend and King: Christ, Christ, He is risen!

Christ is risen, He is risen indeed, O sing Hallelujah! Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed, Christ is risen, He's risen indeed.

Where doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed; but blessed are those who have not seen, yet sing Hallelujah! Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they preached the truth and pow'r of grace and pouring out their lives they gained life, life everlasting.

The pow'r that raised Him from the grave now works in us to pow'rf'lly save; He frees our hearts to live His grace-go, tell of His goodness!

He's alive, He's alive, heav'ns gates are opened wide. He's alive, He's alive, now in Heaven glorified.

Words and music by Keith and Kristyn Getty and Ed Cash © 2012 Getty Music

Children in the 2-3 year old classes are dismissed to Church Time in the Nursery.

The Song

Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come, behold the wondrous mystery in the dawning of the King. He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity. In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come. Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, He the perfect Son of Man. In His living, in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin. See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man. Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in Him we stand.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree. In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory. See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold. Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come, behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life, but no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord; He is alive! What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope. Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes. (repeat)

Words and Music by Matt Bowell, Matt Papa, Michael Bleecker @ 2013 Getty Music Songs

The Pastoral Prayer Ruling Elder James Clark

The Scripture Reading Selected Passages

The Sermon Rev. Cangelosi

When Does the Resurrection Matter?

The Hymn of Response No. 706

Jesus Lives, and So Shall I

Jesus lives, and so shall I. Death! Thy sting is gone forever! He who deigned for me to die, lives, the bands of death to sever. He shall raise me from the dust: Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives and reigns supreme; and his kingdom still remaining, I shall also be with him, ever living, ever reigning. God has promised; be it must: Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives, and by his grace, vict'ry o'er my passions giving, I will cleanse my heart and ways, ever to his glory living. Me he raises from the dust: Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives! I know full well naught from him my heart can sever, life nor death nor pow'rs of hell, joy nor grief, henceforth forever. None of all his saints is lost: Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives and death is now but my entrance into glory. Courage, then, my soul, for thou hast a crown of life before thee; thou shalt find thy hopes were just: Jesus is the Christian's trust.

Words by Christian Gellert, 1757, music by Johann Crüger, 1653

The Benediction Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude Sing Praise to God arr. P. Laubengayer

NO EVENING WORSHIP TONIGHT

Easter evening is one of two Sunday nights annually when we do not have corporate worship and evening ministries.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Pepper and Cindy Crutcher.

TO EVERYONE WHO VISITS WITH US THIS LORD'S DAY, we welcome you sincerely and from the heart. Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ.

NEW COVID POLICIES: In light of the lower COVID case counts and the availability of vaccines to any adult in Mississippi, the Session voted Monday night to approve the following new policies, effective Friday, April 2:

- We will begin passing the offering plates and communion trays down the rows.
- Masks will be optional in both morning Sanctuary services, and in the 11:00 a.m. Gym service. Masks will continue to be required in the 8:30 a.m. Gym service.
- Masks will be optional in evening services.
- We will begin using up to 75% capacity in the Sanctuary at both morning and evening services, skipping every fourth row instead of every other row.
- Masks will be optional at all discipleship ministry events (i.e., Sunday School, Bible studies, Wednesday night ministries, youth group, etc.).

MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK Derek and Shannon Ebbers, Mission to the World (MTW), Romania

Derek and Shannon have been investing in lives and helping to build Christ's Church in Romania since 2007. Derek is the team leader and their team's vision is to establish Reformed and covenantal churches through identifying, training, and resourcing national church plants. Pray that the Lord will tangibly bless their efforts to fulfill his commission to make disciples of all nations. Pray that as they seek to resource others, they too will be bountifully provided with all the resources they need.

HELP NEEDED! If you delight in the details and love technology, you are the kind of person we are looking for to serve in our Sound Team Ministry. No prior experience is necessary! We will provide the training, and we have a lot of fun, too. Please contact Howard Graylin, hgraylin@pearorchard.org.

IMPROVEMENTS FOR SHELBYNEXT: ShelbyNext applications are our main way of staying connected with you. It includes our online pictorial directory, your family's contact information, and allows you to make online contributions to the various funds of POPC. ShelbyNext has developed an interface to improve your experience with a smartphone app called *MinistryOne*.

The MinistryOne app replaces both the ShelbyNext app and the ShelbyNext giving app. The advantages of the new MinistryOne app are a streamlined home page, secure links to giving with accurate crediting to your account, access to livestreaming of worship services, and event registration. Instructions for getting the MinistryOne app are available on the POPC website (www.pearorchard.org/church-directory). Please note that MinistryOne is not only the best way to give electronically, but will be the only way as the ShelbyNext giving app will be deactivated later this year.

SHOWER IN THE FORECAST: The Women's Ministry will be hosting a baby shower for Naomi Baugus on Saturday, April 24, from 10:00 a.m. till noon in the cafeteria. Naomi is registered at <u>Babylist.com</u> and Target. It's a girl!

COME PRAY WITH US! If you attend the 11:00 a.m. morning worship service, we invite you to gather in the Parlor during the 8:30 a.m. morning worship service to pray for the worship services and the preaching of God's word.

DO YOU RECEIVE OUR WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES? Each Friday we send out announcements and encouragement from Pastor Caleb. If you would like to receive these informative emails, contact Liz Taylor at https://linear.org.

MEN'S CRAWFISH BOIL: On Wednesday, April 28, the Men's Ministry will host the annual crawfish boil on campus. Be sure to mark your calendars and invite a friend. Stay tuned for more information.

THE CENTER FOR PREGNANCY CHOICES ANNUAL LIFEWALK FUNDRAISER will be held Saturday, May 1, at Flowood Nature Park at 9:00 a.m. Funds raised will help empower the Choice for Life Women. Please join us for the walk or support POPC walkers by going to www.cpcmetrofriends.org/LifeWalk to make your donation. Contact Lela Carter for more information at 662-897-1395.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: The Sanctuary Flowers are paid for by members who wish to contribute the flower arrangement one Sunday or more during the year. The cost is \$75 and checks are made payable to POPC with "flowers" on the memo line. Flowers may be given in honor or in memory of loved ones. Visit pearorchard.org or contact Jan in the church office (601-956-3282) or email jan@pearorchard.org if you wish to sign up for sanctuary flowers in 2021.

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