

Alleluia!

HE IS RISEN!



Welcome!

If you are **visiting our church** today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Please be sure to fill out the fellowship pad with your name and contact information when it is passed to you. This will help us serve you better. We promise to keep this information confidential and only use it for personal contact with you and your family. Please join us in the fellowship hall in the lower level for coffee and refreshments after the service. Note: Since many of our families with small children sit near the back of the church, visitors may wish to sit closer to the front to avoid any possible distractions during the worship service. Any mothers who would like assistance with young children may take them to the nursery during the Hymn of Assurance and pick them up during the sermon hymn.

If you are unfamiliar with **our form of worship**, please feel free to speak with the pastor or one of the elders. We would be glad to help you understand the biblical rationale for why we worship the way we do. In the narthex, we have a booklet available that provides an introduction to our church. You may also visit our website for other helpful information: www.redeemertraversecity.org.

The **Lord's Supper** is observed every Sunday as the culmination of our worship service. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. Non-communing children are welcome to come forward with their parents and will be acknowledged by the pastor. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor before or after the service. Note: The inner ring of cups in each communion tray contains non-alcoholic wine; the outer rings contain wine.

Easter Sunday Worship Service

April 4, 2010

Silent Preparation for Worship

Prelude

Order of Worship

Call to Worship Isaiah 60:1

Pastor Dan Millward

†**Opening Hymn** “The Day of Resurrection!”

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†**Invocation**

from Luke 24:34, 1 Peter 1:3-4, Eph. 5:8

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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

People: According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Pastor: To an inheritance that is imperishable.

People: He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us children of Light.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: Let us pray.

†**The Greeting**

2 Thessalonians 1:2; 2 Corinthians 13:14

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from God the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

†**Response** (*in song*) “All Creatures of Our God and King”

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**Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness.**

O praise him, alleluia!

**Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, three in one,**

O praise him, O praise him.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Confession of Sin (*in unison*)

Hebrews 4:14-16

Pastor: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in the time of need. [Silent Confession]

Almighty and merciful God, like your people of old, we too have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have done many things that should have been left undone. We have failed to do many things we ought to have done. Lord, because of your steadfast love, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love, through our resurrected Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, world without end, Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

1 Corinthians 15:55-56; John 11:25-26

Pastor: “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law; Jesus said to Martha, “I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?”

People: We do.

Pastor: In the name of Christ and by the authority of his Word, be at peace and know that your sins are forgiven.

†**Hymn of Assurance** “The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done”

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†**Prayer for Illumination**

Dave Schafer

Epistle Reading 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading Luke 24:1-12

Fred Janke

Reader: This is the Gospel of our Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers of Intercession and the Lord’s Prayer

Pastor Dan Millward

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offering

Please sign and pass the fellowship pads at this time.

†**Doxology** *(in song)*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below,
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

†**Sermon Text Reading** Isaiah 54:4-10

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Sermon “A Glorious Outcome”

Prayer of Application

†**Sermon Hymn** “See What a Morning”

(Please be seated after singing the hymn.)

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Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

All who are communicant members in good standing in any evangelical Christian church, or those who have been approved by the Session, may participate in the Lord’s Supper. (Note about Communion wine: the outer rings contain wine; the inner rings contain non-alcoholic wine.)

Affirmation of Faith Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord.

**who was conceived by the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;**

He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Ruth 2:4

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

Lamentations 3:41

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

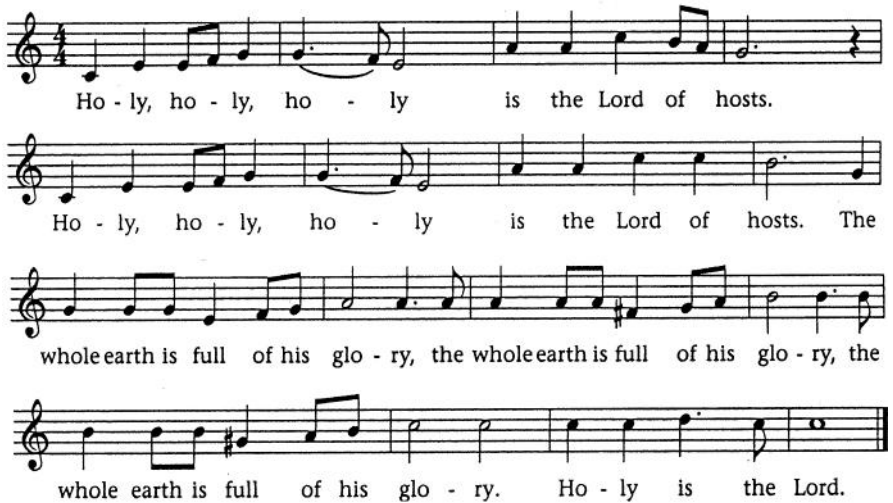
People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Psalm 118:1

Pastor: It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to You, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. As we set apart these common elements of bread and wine for holy use, we ask You to bless them and use them to strengthen and edify Your people. For by water and the Holy Spirit You have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth Your glory in all the world. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing:

Sanctus (*in song*)

Isaiah 6:3



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts. The

whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the whole earth is full of his glo - ry, the

whole earth is full of his glo - ry. Ho - ly is the Lord.

Words of Institution & Breaking of the Bread

Communion Hymns “Alleluia! Alleluia!”

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“Christ Jesus Lay in Death’s Strong Bands” Bulletin, p. 12

Prayer after Communion (*in unison*)

We thank you, O God, that through Word and Sacrament, you have given us your Son who is the true bread from heaven and food of eternal life. Through Jesus Christ, you have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. By the power of your life-giving Spirit, grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be daily raised from the death of sin to serve you and our neighbor. We ask that the gifts of your grace would strengthen and preserve us steadfast in the true faith now and forever. Amen.

†Closing Hymn “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

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†Benediction

†Benediction Response “Three-fold Amen”



Opening Hymn
The Day of Resurrection!

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1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
 2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
 3. Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light;
 let the round world keep tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, from this world to the sky,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 in - vis - i - ble and vis - i - ble, their notes let all things blend,

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our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord hath ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

Hymn of Assurance

The Strife is O'er, The Battle Done

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

1. The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; the vic - to - ry of life is
 2. The pow'rs of death have done their worst, but Christ their le - gions hath dis -
 3. The three sad days have quick - ly sped; he ris - es glo - rious from the
 4. He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell; the bars from heav'n's high por - tals
 5. Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread sting thy ser - vants

won; the song of tri - umph has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 persed: let shouts of ho - ly joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 • dead: all glo - ry to our ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 fell: let hymns of praise his tri - umphs tell. Al - le - lu - ia!
 free, that we may live and sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia!

Sermon Hymn
See What A Morning

Victoriously (♩ = 92)

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1. See, what a morn - ing, glo - rious-ly bright, with the dawn - ing of hope in Je -
 2. See Ma-ry weep - ing, "Where is He laid?" As in sor - row she turns from the
 3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the Spi - rit who clothes faith with

D/A A D A/D G D A/C#

ru - sa-lem; Fold - ed the grave - clothes, tomb filled with light, as the
 emp - ty tomb. Hears a voice speak - ing, call - ing her name; It's the
 cer - tain-ty. Hon - our and bless - ing, glo - ry and praise to the

7 Bm G D/F# G D/A A A/G D/F# A/G G D/F# G

an - gels an - nounce 'Christ is ris - en!' See God's sal - va - tion plan, wrought in
 Mas - ter, the Lord, raised to life a - gain! The voice that spans the years, speak - ing
 King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty. And we are raised with Him; Death is

1 D/F# G D/F# G D/A A A/G D/F# A/G G D/F# G

love, borne in pain, paid in sac - ri - fice, ful - filled in Christ, the Man, for He
 life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing peace to us, will sound 'til He ap - pears, for He
 dead, love has won, Christ has con - quered. And we shall reign with Him, for He

15 D/F# G D/A A D A/D G/D G A last time
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lives: Christ is ris - en from the dead.
 lives, Christ is ris - en from the dead.
 lives, Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Communion Hymn

Alleluia! Alleluia!

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic-es raise;
 2. Christ is ris-en, Christ the first-fruits Of the ho - ly har-vest-field,
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high;

Sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, Sing to God a hymn of praise:
 Which will all its full a - bun-dance At his sec-ond com - ing yield:
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav-iour, Who has won the vic - to - ry;

He who on the cross a vic-tim For the world's sal-va - tion bled,
 Then the gold-en ears of har-vest Will their heads be-fore him wave,
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, Fount of love and sanc - ti - ty;

Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo-ry, Now is ris-en from the dead.
 Rip-ened by his glo-rious sun-shine From the fur-rows of the grave.
 Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! To the Tri-une Maj-es - ty. A-MEN.

Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands

1. Christ Je - sus lay in death's strong bands, for our of - fens - es giv - en;
 2. It was a strange and dread - ful strife when life and death con - tend - ed;
 3. Here the true Pas - chal Lamb we see, whom God so free - ly gave us;
 4. So let us keep the fes - ti - val where - to the Lord in - vites us;
 5. Then let us feast this joy - ful day on Christ, the Bread of heav - en;

but now at God's right hand he stands and brings us life from heav - en;
 the vic - to - ry re - main - ed with life, the reign of death was end - ed;
 • he died on the ac - curs - ed tree—so strong his love!—to save us.
 Christ is him - self the joy of all, the sun that warms and lights us,
 the Word of grace hath purged a - way the old and e - vil leav - en.

there - fore let us joy - ful be and sing to God right thank - ful - ly
 Ho - ly Scrip - ture plain - ly saith that death is swal - lowed up by death,
 • See, his blood doth mark our door; faith points to it, death pass - es o'er,
 By his grace he doth im - part e - ter - nal sun - shine to the heart;
 Christ a - lone our souls will feed, he is our meat and drink in - deed;

loud songs of hal - le - lu - jah. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 his sting is lost for - ev - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 • and Sa - tan can - not harm us. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 the night of sin is end - ed. Hal - le - lu - jah!
 faith lives up - on no oth - er. Hal - le - lu - jah!

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

1. "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day," Al - - le - lu - ia!
 2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - - le - lu - ia!

sons of men and an - gels say; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has burst the gates of hell; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - - le - lu - ia!
 fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - - le - lu - ia!

raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 death in vain for - bids his rise; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Once he died, our souls to save; Al - - le - lu - ia!
 made like him, like him we rise; Al - - le - lu - ia!

sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - - le - lu - ia!
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - - le - lu - ia!
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - - le - lu - ia!

April 4, 2010

Prayer Requests

FOR OUR CHURCH FAMILY AT REDEEMER...

Health / Healing

- Gayle Peterson - remains in the ICU.

Other Concerns

- For Guidance and clear direction from God for the elders as they discern the possibility of bringing on a ministry intern.
- Jim and Linda Candea - mourning the passing of their daughter Tanya.
- Ron Chalfant, Jr. and Lynn Ealy

FOR RELATIVES, FRIENDS, AND OTHERS...

Our Country and Armed Forces

- Men and women in the military and their families.
- President Obama, his advisors, and other national, state, and local leaders.

Ministers, Missionaries, and Mission Churches

- Hershbergers (Bulgaria); Thorntons (Ukraine); Nellie Vos (France); Cummings (Guadalajara); and the mission work in Burma.
- Shawn Newsome and the potential RUF work at MSU.

Other Concerns

- Relief, comfort, and strength for the hundreds of thousands of earthquake victims in Haiti.

FOR CHURCHES IN OUR PRESBYTERY...

- Christ Church - Grand Rapids, MI - Pray For: guidance reviewing our Mission philosophy & its application to our support for missionaries, and health & strength for those diagnosed with cancer or other serious illness.
- Christ Covenant, Midland MI - Pray For: our Session as it conducts home shepherding visits to every family, and continued growth and protection from the evil one. Praise for: a good report from Pastor Sarafolean's cardiologist that his heart is doing very well.
- TE Tom Vanden Heuval - Pray for: our time with family at two graduations of grandsons (from Providence Christian College in Ontario, CA and from Covenant College), our return to our home in Michigan to serve Walker URC in Grand Rapids until they get a Pastor, and success in the Lord's work in Walker. Praise for: completion of my very satisfying assignment at Zion URC of Ripon, CA the end of April.

Serving Today:

Elder: Dave Schafer

Reader: Fred Janke

Trumpet: Karl Eichberger

Piano: Connie Van Til

Sound Board: Kyle Peterson

Today Pastor Millward is wearing a white stole. White represents purity and reminds us of the sinless righteousness of Christ in which all believers are robed. This color is typically worn for Christmas Eve/Day, Easter Sunday, weddings, and funerals.

Announcements

After Today's Service...

- If you would like the elders to pray for you, they are available after the service in the Library (the small room next to the chancel).

Next Sunday, April 11

Pastor Dan Millward will be preaching on John 20:24-31.

Hymns: Insert "Creation Sings the Father's Song"

#706 "Jesus Lives, and So Shall I"

Insert "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

#427 "Amidst Us Our Beloved Stands"

#429 "Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured"

Tuesday, April 13, 7:00pm – Ladies' Study at Espresso Bay downtown.

Wednesday, April 14, 5:30pm – Family Night Meal & Study.

Sunday, April 25 – Our monthly covered dish lunch.

Thursday Mornings, 7:30am to 8:30am - Men's Bible Study.

Resources for your spiritual growth - You will find in the narthex, for the month of April, the Daily Lectionary Readings, Calendars, and Table Talk magazine.

There is now a box in the narthex for any notes or cards you would like sent to Ron Chalfant. We will be sending them along with our bulletins once a month to him.

Congratulations to Tim and Monica Scott on the birth of their son, Charles Francis, born Thursday morning and weighing 9lbs. 10oz.

The Session (Pastor and Elders)

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