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Easter Sunday - April 20, 2014

Prelude

Choral Introit *Christ is Risen*

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Morning Prayer

Handbell Choir *The Day of Resurrection*

Sermon *Dr. Paul A. Brown, Pastor*

THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION

God's Power Demonstrated Over Death

God's Power Demonstrated Over the Cause of Death

*Hymn No. 225 *Worship Christ the Risen King*

Offering of Thanks and Praise

Offertory

Sermon Continued

The Resurrection allows us to Defy Death by

Living with God's Power

Musical Response

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction No. 105 *He is Lord* (refrain)

*Postlude

THE POWER OF THE RESURRECTION

Romans 8:9-11

- I. Demonstrating God's Power Over Death (11)
 - A. Death is the enemy.
 - B. Jesus Christ encountered death ... and won.
– *The Spirit of God raised Jesus from the dead.*
- II. Demonstrating God's Power Over the Cause of Death (10)
 - A. Death is the consequence of sin ... as long as there is sin, there will be death.
 - B. Jesus Christ encountered sin ... and won.
– *The Spirit of Christ frees us from slavery to sin.*
- III. Enabling us to Conquer Death by Living with God's Power. (9)
 - A. Know who controls:
Sinful nature or the Spirit of God.
 - B. All who belong to Christ, have the Spirit of Christ.
 - C. All who have the Spirit of Christ are alive because of righteousness (Christ's righteousness)
 - D. On this Easter Sunday ... let us take the time to remember that the resurrection of Jesus Christ has dramatic implications to us:
 1. Death has been defeated.
 2. The cause of death has been defeated.
 3. We are now able to tap into this power ... set free from the bondage of sin and it's deadly consequences ... set free to live under the Spirit's control, alive with Christ's righteousness.

Prelude
Choral Introit *Christ is Risen*
The Call to Worship Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus:

⁶Who, being in very nature God,
did not consider equality with God something to be
grasped,

⁷but made himself nothing,
taking the very nature of a servant,
being made in human likeness.

⁸And being found in appearance as a man,
he humbled himself
and became obedient to death—
even death on a cross!

All: ⁹**Therefore God exalted him to the highest place
and gave him the name that is above every name,**

¹⁰**that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,**

¹¹**and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father**

*Processional Hymn No. 217 *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!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened Paradise, 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!

*Invocation

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Reading No. 214

Matthew 28:1-6

P: After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary
Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

**C: ²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord
came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled
back the stone and sat on it.**

P: ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white
as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and
became like dead men.

**C: ⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I
know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified.**

P: ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said.

C: He is not here; He has risen! Alleluia!

*Hymn No. 215 *Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Song to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross as Savior For the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead

Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to life is born,
Glorious life, and life immortal, On this resurrection morn.
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer By His mighty enterprise,
We with Him to life eternal By His resurrection rise.

Scripture Reading

Romans 8:9-11

⁹ You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ. ¹⁰ But if Christ is in you, your body is dead because of sin, yet your spirit is alive because of righteousness. ¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives in you.

The Anthem *On the Third Day*

*Doxology

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*Hymn No. 225 *Worship Christ the Risen King*

Rise, O Church, and lift your voices,

Christ has conquered death and hell.

Sing as all the earth rejoices; Resurrection anthems swell.

Come and worship, Come and worship,

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid Him,

Empty now, it's mouth declares;

"Death and I could not contain Him,

For the Throne of Life He shares."

Come and worship, Come and worship,

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble,

See the stone removed with power;

All hell's minions may assemble.

But cannot withstand this hour. He has conquered,
He has conquered, Christ the Lord, the Lord, the Risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, Scoffers mock and sinners jeer;

But the truth proclaims a wonder,

Thoughtful hearts receive with cheer,

He is risen, He is risen, Now receive the Risen King.

We acclaim Your life, O Jesus, Now we sing Your victory;

Sin or hell may seek to seize us But Your conquest keeps us free,

Stand in triumph, Stand in triumph,

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Offering of Thanks and Praise

Offertory

Sermon Continued

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Musical Response

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction No. 105 *He is Lord* (refrain)

He is Lord, He is Lord!

He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess

that Jesus Christ is Lord.

*Postlude