



Christ the King
Presbyterian Church

walking the ancient paths together

Easter Sunday Worship April 12, 2020

- ❖ Greetings
- ❖ *Call to Worship: Revelation 5:11-14

Leader: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

“Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!”

And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying

People: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!

Leader: And the four living creatures said, “Amen!” and the elders fell down and worshiped.

- ❖ *Invocation
- ❖ First Reading: Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?” ⁴And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. ⁵And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. ⁶And he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸And they went out and fled from the tomb, for trembling and astonishment had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

- ❖ Corporate Confession of Sin: Book of Common Worship

O Almighty God, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus; we acknowledge that we are unworthy of your redeeming grace. We have not believed your promises, nor trusted in our Living Lord. Through worldliness of spirit, our eyes have been blind and we have not discerned his presence with us. Through disappointment of mind and dejection of spirit, our hearts have not burned within us as we have heard his Word. We have not trusted in his redeeming power, and have been overcome by evil. We have forgotten the glad tidings of his victory over death, and have not known the things that make for peace.

But now in sorrow and brokenness we come to you, beseeching your forgiveness. Mercifully grant us absolution from all our sins and

restore unto us the joy of your salvation, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only mediator and advocate. Amen.

❖ **Promise of Forgiveness: Romans 4:22-25**

That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

❖ **Second Reading: Acts 2:22-36**

"Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.²⁵ For David says concerning him,

"I saw the Lord always before me,
for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;
²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;
my flesh also will dwell in hope.
²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,
or let your Holy One see corruption.
²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life;
you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹ "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne,³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see

corruption.³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says,

"The Lord said to my Lord,
"Sit at my right hand,
³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool."

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

❖ **Affirmation of Faith:**

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 shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

❖ **Prayers for the Church and the World**

❖ **Homily Text: Acts 2:24**

God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

❖ **Preaching of the Word:**

Rev. Eric Huber

Death's Loosened Pangs

❖ ***Benediction: 1 Corinthians 16:22b-23**

Our Lord Come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you.

Suggested Hymns (link available on website for recorded music):

277 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

267 The Day of Resurrection!

286 Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Announcements

- ❖ **Welcome:** Thank you for joining with us today for morning worship. There will be no evening prayer meeting tonight.
- ❖ **Congregational Meeting:** Please join us on Thursday, April 16th at 7:30 pm for a Congregational Meeting. More details to follow via email.
- ❖ **Home Fellowship Groups:** These groups will continue to meet utilizing online platforms. For more information on the various group, please see the Church Life - Home Fellowship Group section of the website.
- ❖ **PCA 30 Days of Prayer Guide:** <https://byfaithonline.com/pca-invites-members-to-join-30-days-of-prayer/>
- ❖ **Deacons:** The deacons want to assure you that we are available to help with the ongoing physical needs of the congregation. These are days of deep concern for all of us especially with so much uncertainty surrounding issues of health and finances. Please feel free to call or email one of the deacons with any of your concerns. Grace and Peace, Dave Hudson, Nick Kirkland, Jay Signorino, Peter Stahl, Joshua Tyson.
- ❖ **Women's Saturday Study:** This study is cancelled until further notice.
- ❖ **Financial Update:**

We are all eager to meet together for worship but do not know when we will be able to do so. Please continue to support the financial needs of our church. You can do so by:

1. Mailing checks to Christ the King Presbyterian Church 325 Fayette St. Conshohocken, PA 19428. Gifts for the deacons fund or building fund should be noted in them memo line.
2. Give on line through the church's web site: <http://christthekingpca.org/resources/give-online/>

Note that the online portal allows for a credit card or bank draft. The church incurs lower fees with the bank drafts. Gifts can be made to the general fund, deacons fund or building fund.
3. Donate securities through the church's brokerage account (contact church treasurer Dave Hudson if you need information on this process). As always, thank you for your generosity and faithfulness to Christ the King.