

RESURRECTION DAY VIGIL SERVICE

The Lord's Day 9:00 A.M. April 1, 2018

Welcome

Musical Prelude

- * **Call to Worship:** (responsively) Psalm 57:8-11
(*ESV*)

Awake, my glory! Awake, O harp and lyre!

I will awake the dawn!

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples;

I will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is great to the heavens,

your faithfulness to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens!

Let your glory be over all the earth!

- * **Hymn of Praise:** *Worship Christ, the Risen King!* st. 1-5 p. 1

- * **Prayer of Adoration and Invocation**

- * **Confessing our Faith in the Resurrection:** (answer in unison)

Westminster Larger Catechism (1647)

Q. 52: *How was Christ exalted in his resurrection?*

A. Christ was exalted in his resurrection, in that, not having seen corruption in death (of which it was not possible for him to be held), and having the very same body in which he suffered, with the essential properties thereof (but without mortality, and other common infirmities belonging to this life), really united to his soul, he rose again from the dead the third day by his own power; whereby he declared himself to be the Son of God, to have satisfied divine justice, to have vanquished death, and him that had power of it, and to be Lord of quick and dead: all which he did as a public person, the head of his church, for their justification, quickening in grace, support against enemies, and to assure them of their resurrection from the dead at the last day.

Heidelberg Catechism (1563)

Q. 45: *How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?*

A. First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he could make us share in the righteousness which he had obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are raised up to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection.

- * **Hymn of Response:** *The Day of Resurrection!* st.1-3 p. 2

The Gospel Reading: Matthew 28:1-10 (*ESV*)

Resurrection Hymn: *See, What a Morning* p. 3

A Psalm of Resurrection: (responsively) Psalm 16 (*ESV*)

Preserve me, O God,

for in you I take refuge.

I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."

As for the saints in the land, they are the excellent ones, in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those who run after another god shall multiply; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names on my lips.

The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.

I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure.

For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

You make known to me the path of life;

in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Prayer of Confession and Thanksgiving

Scripture: Luke 24:1-12

Sermon: *A New Beginning*
Pastor Daniel Clay

Prayer of Application

- * **Hymn:** *In Christ Alone* p. 4

- * **Benediction**

- * **Musical Postlude**

* Congregation Standing, all those who are able

The Resurrection of Christ

15 Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, **2**and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

3For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, **4**that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, **5**and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. **6**Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. **7**Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. **8**Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. **9**For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. **10**But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

11Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

- 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (*English Standard Version*)

We invite you to stay for breakfast in the Fellowship Hall immediately following this service and also to join us for Resurrection Day worship at 10:45 in the sanctuary.

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ORTEGA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Vigil Service

"The Lord has risen indeed" - Luke 24:34

