

Pewee Valley Presbyterian Church

“Learning, Glorifying, Celebrating, and Following ...”

Sunday Morning Drive-in Worship

April 12, 2020 – Easter Sunday

GATHERING ...

Gathering Music
The Ringing of the Bell
Words of Welcome

PREPARING ...

Call to Worship

Leader: Why have you come to this place on this early morning?

People: We seek Jesus of Nazareth whom we deserted only three days ago.

Leader: He no longer dwells in houses made with human hands!

People: Then we are here to find him in our hearts.

ALL: LET US SEEK THE RISEN LORD AND OUR LIVING GOD TOGETHER! SING ALLELUIA!

Opening Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

*Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!*

*Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*

*But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!*

*Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!*

Litany and Prayer for Easter Morning

Leader: The nightmare is over. Our hour of darkness has passed.

People: God's mercy and love have triumphed once and for all over our hatred and ignorance.

Leader: Miracle of miracles, Christ has come back to us!

People: And he has brought with him not judgment, but the peace of eternal life.

Leader: Let us pray together ...

ALL: TEACH US, O LORD, HOW WE MAY SERVE ONE ANOTHER AND SERVE YOUR CHURCH. WE ARE YOUR CHOSEN SERVANTS, THE MYSTICAL BODY OF OUR CHRIST, AND HAVE BEEN GRANTED THE PRIVILEGE AND RESPONSIBILITY TO CARRY ON THE REDEMPTIVE WORK OF JESUS. LET US GO FORWARD IN LOVE AND HUMILITY TO SERVE AND STRENGTHEN THE WORLD! AMEN.

*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!*

HEARING ...

Anthem

For the Beauty of the Earth

RUTTER

*For the beauty of the earth
For the beauty of the skies
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies
Over and around us lies*

Refrain:

*Lord of all, to thee we raise
This our joyful hymn of praise*

*For the beauty of the hour
Of the day and of the night
Hill and vale and tree and flower
Sun and moon and stars of light
Sun and moon and stars of light
[Refrain]*

*For the joy of human love
Brother, sister, parent, child
Friends on earth and friends above
For all gentle thoughts and mild
For all gentle thoughts and mild
[Refrain]*

*For each perfect gift of Thine
To our race so freely given
Graces human and divine
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
Flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n
[Refrain]*

Scripture John 20:1-18

Sermon HOW DARE WE? WHY DARE WE? Rev. Joel Weible

RESPONDING ...

Affirmation of Faith (*unison*) A BRIEF STATEMENT OF FAITH (PCUSA)

In life and death we belong to God.

We trust in God who, in sovereign love, created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image to live as one community.

We rebel against God, yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation in everlasting love.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

*Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.*

*Christ is alive! No longer bound
To distant years in Palestine,
But saving, healing, here and now,
And touching every place and time.*

*Not throned afar, remotely high,
Untouched, unmoved by human pains,
But daily, in the midst of life,
Our Savior in the God-head reigns.*

*In every insult, rift, and war,
Where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,
And lives, where even hope has died.*

*Christ is alive, and comes to bring
Good news to this and every age,
Till earth and sky and ocean ring
With joy, with justice, love, and praise.*

SENDING ...

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

Hallelujah Chorus

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