



KNOX
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Easter Sunday Worship Service

March 31, 2024

11:30 AM

Welcome

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

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He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Centering for Worship

Were You There – Hymn #218 v 4 *The Worshipping Church*

Were you there when he rose up from the grave?

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Oh! Sometimes I feel like shouting glory, glory, glory!

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Jesus Christ Is Risen Today – Hymn #232 *Glory to God*

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!

sinner 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!

King of Kings

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In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died

Prayer of Confession + Assurance of Pardon

Response:

And the morning that You rose	And the Church of Christ was born
All of heaven held its breath	Then the Spirit lit the flame
Till that stone was moved for good	Now this Gospel truth of old
For the Lamb had conquered death	Shall not kneel shall not faint
And the dead rose from their tombs	By His blood and in His Name
And the angels stood in awe	In His freedom I am free
For the souls of all who'd come	For the love of Jesus Christ
To the Father are restored	Who has resurrected me <i>Chorus</i>

Chorus

*Praise the Father, Praise the Son, Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of Glory, Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings*

Prayers of the People

Doxology

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

Response of Offering

You are now invited to light a candle at the back of the sanctuary



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Genesis 37:28-34, 39:1-3

²⁸When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

²⁹When Reuben returned to the pit and saw that Joseph was not in the pit, he tore his clothes. ³⁰He returned to his brothers and said, "The boy is gone, and I, where can I turn?" ³¹Then they took Joseph's robe, slaughtered a goat, and dipped the robe in the blood. ³²They had the ornamented robe taken to their father, and they said, "This we have found; see now whether it is your son's robe or not." ³³He recognized it and said, "It is my son's robe! A wild animal has devoured him; Joseph has surely been torn to pieces." ³⁴Then Jacob tore his garments and put sackcloth on his loins and mourned for his son many days.

¹ Now Joseph was taken down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there. ² The Lord was with Joseph, and he became a successful man; he was in the house of his Egyptian master. ³ His master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord caused all that he did to prosper in his hands.

Mark 16:1-8

¹ When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ² And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³ They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴ When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵ As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man dressed in a white robe sitting on the right side, and they were alarmed. ⁶ But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷ But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." ⁸ So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Sermon

Christ Still Rises

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Christ still rises when fear grips our city,
when death takes no pity, when much is unknown.
Christ still rises when friends are divided,
when joy feels misguided, when we are alone.
Christ still rises when churches are shuttered,
when praises are muttered, when prayers go unsaid.
Christ still rises when peace has all faded,
when we are most jaded, when faith turns to dread,
when faith turns to dread.

Christ still rises when we give to neighbors,
when we share our labors, when strangers belong.
Christ still rises when we come together,
when love is our tether, when hope is our song.
Christ still rises when grieving is ended,
when bodies are mended, when beauty heals pain.
Christ still rises when fear has retreated,
when death is defeated, and joy will remain,
and joy will remain.

Communion

Song During Communion – We Will Feast in the House of Zion

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Chorus:

*We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things we will say together
We will feast and weep no more*

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the Lord our God
We are not consumed by the flood
Upheld protected gathered up *Chorus*

In the dark of night before the dawn
My soul be not afraid
For the promised morning oh how long
Oh God of Jacob be my strength *Chorus*

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together bring shalom *Chorus*

Prayer After Communion

Thine is the Glory – Hymn #251 *The Worshipping Church*

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son,
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won!

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let his church with gladness hymns of triumph sing.
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. [Refrain]

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of Life!
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. [Refrain]

Benediction

Thank you to our Leaders in Worship

Pastor: Rev. Drew Peterson

Pastor for Imaginative Worship: Rev. Dr. Taylor Telford

Worship Leaders: Lois Robertson, Nick Robertson, Carole Stuart, Juan Chona

Audio/Video Technician: Dave Colvin

Greeter: Jason Stuart

Upcoming Schedule

Mar 31	Easter Worship & Communion	11:30 a.m.
Apr 7	Worship & Communion	11:30 a.m.
	First Sunday! Fellowship Lunch	After worship

Message from your Knox Clerk of Session:

Many of you know that Knox is seeking a new Clerk of Session for this important role in our church's ministry. It might sound like a daunting task, but I'm here to say that it is probably one of the most rewarding ways someone can serve our church. Honestly, I'm reticent about stepping down. It's been that good. God is opening up new doors for us in our post-retirement Guatemala ministry that are calling us away too often. For anyone even slightly considering God's nudge to step into this role, be assured that you are surrounded and supported by pastoral and administrative staff at Knox, along with an awesome session, past clerks, and professionals in our presbytery that make this job more of a blessing than a task. And, if you act soon, I hope to pass along all my 'Session Clerks for Dummies' literature that were handed down to me, along with your very own, limited edition, official Reformerware John Knox coffee mug, a highly sought-after possession that is the envy of session clerks everywhere. Act now to avoid the rush! Let Pastor Drew know that this job is for you!

Blessings, Richard Welch, Clerk of Session

Nursery Attendant

Knox is looking for a Sunday morning nursery attendant. We need someone who loves small children to spend time with our little ones during worship on the Sundays we have them with us. If you or someone you know might be interested in learning more, please contact our office administrator, Jill Walters, by emailing admin@spokaneknoxpc.org.

A Message from Knox Mission & Discipleship Team

Next Sunday, April 7th, is our regular "first Sunday" fellowship lunch held after the worship service. Soup will be provided and we invite the congregation to bring side dishes (salad, bread, dessert) to supplement the meal.

In April, we are collecting canned fruit for Our Place Ministries. They would especially appreciate easy-to-open options, whether those are pop-top cans or plastic-sealed individual containers (the kind you might put in sack lunches), but of course ALL canned fruit is helpful and welcomed!

Prayers

Richard Raymond

Continue to pray for Richard Raymond's health, and strength for Trudy as they navigate through this uncertain time. You can leave a prayer and follow their journey on Caring Bridge **by scanning the Knox Link Tree QR Code.**

Peace

Please continue to pray for peace in Ukraine, Gaza, Israel, and everywhere there is war and violence.

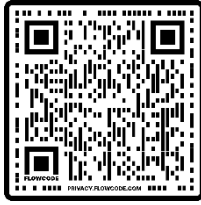
Gaza Ceasefire Pilgrimage Invitation - March 30th

This Lent, a global movement is walking in prayerful solidarity with the Palestinian people of Gaza. You're invited to join in here in Spokane. On Holy Saturday - a moment within the Christian tradition where we wait with grief, lament, and hesitant hope, people will walk in the effort to dismantle the strongholds of Anti-Semitism and Islamophobia that are on the rise in our communities. With the ultimate goal of a lasting, just peace for Israelis and Palestinians, folks will walk the length of the Gaza Strip (approximately 25 miles) through Greater Spokane on March 30, 2024. This pilgrimage mirrors the journey that so many in Gaza have been forced by violence to endure. Along the way, there will be sacred pauses which will be accessible across creeds and traditions. All are welcome. There are many different ways to participate in this event. Find more details by scanning the Knox Presbyterian Church Link Tree QR Code below with your phone camera.

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