

New St. Peter's Presbyterian Church
Liturgy of the Resurrection
April 1, 2018

STRIKING OF THE HOUR *“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!”*

CHRIST'S DISCIPLES SEE HIS RISEN BODY WITH THEIR OWN EYES MATTHEW 28

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. **He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay.** Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; **there you will see Him. See, I have told you.**” So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples. And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” **And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see me.”**

APOSTLES' CREED

Church, after enduring torture and death in His innocence, our humble King rose again to indestructible life and a glory that will never fade. We wait for the day when every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus is Lord. Until then, to what confession do you hold fast, although our world considers it foolishness?

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell...

Silence

In order to bring death to death, an end to sin, and a violent overthrow of the devil's kingdom, the Lord Jesus did not stay dead. And so, **the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

INVOCATION

IN OUR SUFFERING, GOD'S WORD COMFORTS US WITH THE HOPE THAT WE WILL
SEE OUR LIVING REDEEMER JOB 19

For we know that our Redeemer lives and that in the end He will stand upon the earth. **Even after our skin has been destroyed, yet in our renewed bodies and with redeemed souls we shall see God. We shall behold Jesus, for He is the resurrected King, He and no other.**

Hymn: *"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"*

Hymn: *"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"*

CONFESSING THAT THERE IS NO ULTIMATE COMFORT IN OUR SIN JOB 16, 17

All sovereign God, our idols are miserable comforters for our suffering and the wisdom of this world leads us away from trust in You. **Though Your Son is innocent, we are not. Though all His ways were blameless, our paths have led to many sinful places. Our spirits are broken and our faces red with weeping. In our sin, we were at ease, but You have broken us apart with Your rod of discipline. Let our brokenness lead to repentance, O God. Return us to the way of the righteous and give us clean hands that grow stronger and stronger in acts of obedience.**

Worshippers may silently confess specific sins and lack of faith

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON JESUS' RESURRECTION PROVIDES ROMANS 6, 8; TITUS 2

Church, if we have been united with Jesus in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. **For we know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to a final end, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. The Spirit of the Father who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in us, replacing our death with His life until the final appearing of our Savior. Amen.**

Hymn: *"Arise, My Soul, Arise"*

SHARING THE PEACE 1 CORINTHIANS 15

Church, today we deliver to you as of first importance what we also received from the church of ages past: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. And because of this Gospel, may the peace of the

Lord be with you.

And also with you.

DOXOLOGY *“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”*

SERMON *“What Do I Know?”* (Job 19:23-27)

Hymn: *“I Will Glory in My Redeemer”*

Hymn: *“It Is Finished”*

Hymn: *“Jesus Lives and So Shall I”*

CHRIST’S RESURRECTION GUARANTEES OURS 2 CORINTHIANS 4, 1 PETER 1

Beloved, since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak. **Knowing that He Who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us together into His presence.**

Therefore, blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Come quickly, Lord Jesus, Amen!