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THE CONNECTION

April 19, 2026
10:30am



The Sacrament Of The Altar will be celebrated at the 10:30 AM service. Anyone who is not yet instructed, in doubt or holds a differing confession and yet desires to receive the Sacrament, is asked first to speak with a Pastor, Elder or Worship Assistant.

--PRESERVICE SONG *“Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord”*

--ANNOUNCEMENTS

--WORSHIP SONG *“I Will Rise”* (Revelation 4:12; 21:4)

Verse 1...There’s a peace I’ve come to know, though my heart and flesh may fail.
There’s an anchor for my soul I can say “It is well.”

Channel...Jesus has overcome, and the grave is overwhelmed; the victory is won,
He is risen from the dead.

Chorus...And I will rise when He calls my name; no more sorrow, no more pain.
I will rise on eagles’ wings; before my God fall on my knees, and rise. I will rise.

Verse 2...There’s a day that’s drawing near when this darkness breaks to light, and the shadows disappear, and my faith shall be my eyes. Repeat Channel and Chorus...

Bridge...And I hear the voice of many angels sing, “Worthy is the Lamb!”
And I hear the cry of ev’ry longing heart, “Worthy is the Lamb!”
Repeat Bridge, then... “Worthy is the Lamb!”

Repeat Chorus, then...I will rise.

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(Please stand)

--INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

--CONFESSION OF SINS

P. Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

C. Most merciful God, in Your kindness and love You have saved us. You've rescued us from the coldness of our sin. Yet, we still struggle to share Your warmth in our daily living. Our thoughts don't always follow Your thoughts. Our ways often stray from Your ways. We sin against not only You, but against our neighbors, as well. Forgive us, dear Lord. Wrap us securely in Your love and lead us in Your good ways. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

--FORGIVENESS OF SINS

P. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, and on His behalf, I say to you, "You are forgiven." In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen

--STATEMENT OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*

C. 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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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 sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(Please sit)

--FIRST LESSON *Acts 2:14a, 36-41*

¹⁴Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, . . .

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

³⁷Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the

(continued...)

forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” ⁴⁰And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort

--SECOND LESSON *1 Peter 1:17-25*

¹⁷If you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with fear throughout the time of your exile, ¹⁸knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. ²⁰He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for your sake, ²¹who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

(Please stand)

--GOSPEL LESSON *Luke 24:13-35*

¹³That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, ¹⁴and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. ¹⁵While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. ¹⁶But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. ¹⁷And he said to them, “What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?” And they stood still, looking sad. ¹⁸Then one of

them, saying, “Save yourselves from this crooked generation.” ⁴¹So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

L. Here ends the first reading.

²²Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, ²³since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; ²⁴for “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, ²⁵but the word of the Lord remains forever.”

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

L. Here ends the second reading.

them, named Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?” ¹⁹And he said to them, “What things?” And they said to him, “Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. (continued...)

Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. ²²Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³and when they did not find his body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but him they did not see. ²⁵And he said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself.

²⁸So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, ²⁹but they urged him

strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

(Please sit)

--CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

--OFFERING / MESSAGE SONG "Ancient Words"

Verse 1...Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, they resound with God's own heart. O, let the ancient words impart. Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope. In this world where'er we roam, ancient words will guide us home.

Chorus...Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you; We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

Verse 2...Holy words of our faith handed down to this age, came to us through sacrifice. O, heed the faithful words of Christ. Holy words long preserved for our walk in this world, they resound with God's own heart. O, let the ancient words impart;

Sing Chorus twice, then...We have come with open hearts, O, let the ancient words impart.

--MESSAGE OF THE DAY "A PICTURE REVEALED (Text: Luke 24:13-35)
The Rev. John Meyer

(Please stand)

--PRAYERS (Sung at beginning of prayers)

"The Spirit Intercedes For Us" (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us,
 With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

The pastor will conclude the prayers with:

"Holy Spirit, in our weakness, help us to pray..."

(Sung at end of the prayers)

"The Spirit Intercedes For Us" (Romans 8:26)

The Spirit intercedes for us,
 With sighs too deep for words to express, oh, oh, oh.

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--THE LORD'S PRAYER---Caribbean (Matthew 6:9-13)

Verse 1... Our Father who art in heaven.

Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 2...As in heaven, so on the earth.

Hallowed be Thy name. Give us this day our daily bread.
 Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 3... And forgive us, Lord, our trespasses.

Hallowed be Thy name. As we forgive those who
 trespass against us. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 4...And lead us not into temptation.

Hallowed be Thy name. But deliver us from all evil.
 Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 5... For Thine is the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory. Hallowed be Thy name.

Forever and forevermore. Hallowed be Thy name.

Verse 6...Amen, amen, it shall be so.

Hallowed be Thy name. Amen, amen, it shall be so.
 Hallowed be Thy name.

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--WORDS OF INSTITUTION**--SONGS FOR DISTRIBUTION “Jesus, Messiah”** (Psalm 18:2; 2 Corinthians 5:21)

Verse 1...He became sin, Who knew no sin; that we might become His righteousness; He humbled Himself, and carried the cross. Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

Chorus...Jesus, Messiah; Name above all names; Blessed Redeemer; Emmanuel. The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven; Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

Verse 2...His body the bread, His blood the wine broken and poured out, all for love. The whole earth trembled, and the veil was torn. Love so amazing, Love so amazing.

Chorus...

Bridge...All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You; all the glory to You, God, the Light of the world.

Sing Chorus, then...Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all. Jesus, Messiah, Lord of all.

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“Medley—Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus/I Love You, Lord/Amazing Grace”

Turn your eyes upon Jesus; look full in His wonderful face.

And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace.

Turn your thoughts upon Jesus; think deep of His comforting love.

And the thoughts of sin, and of self, and strife, will be lost in that heaven above.

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship You, oh my soul, rejoice.

Take joy, my King, in what You hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in Your ear.

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me.

I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

Turn your eyes upon Jesus.

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--COMMUNION DISMISSAL

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

--BENEDICTION

P. The grace of our + Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C. Amen.

--CLOSING SONG "Open Up the Heavens" *(Malachi 3:10; Daniel 7:10; 1 Corinthians 5: 1-7)*

Verse 1...We've waited for this day; we're gathered in Your Name, calling out to You. Your glory, like a fire, awakening desire, will burn our hearts with Truth. You're the reason we're here. You're the reason we're singing.

Chorus...Open up the heavens; we want to see You. Open up the floodgates: a mighty river flowing from Your heart, filling every part of our praise.

Verse 2...Your presence in this place, Your glory on our face, we're looking to the sky. Descending like a cloud, You're standing with us now; Lord, unveil our eyes. You're the reason we're here. You're the reason we're singing. Sing Chorus twice, then...

Bridge...Show us, show us Your glory. Show us, show us Your power. Show us, show us Your glory, Lord. Repeat Bridge, then...

Channel...We want to see You. We want to see You. Sing Chorus twice...

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P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!

C. Thanks be to God!

*** * * TO GOD BE THE GLORY * * ***

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