

Faith - Family - Fellowship

## Traditional Worship APRIL 27, 2025

#### WELCOME & PRAYER OF CONSECRATION PR **VIDEO - DOUBTING THOMAS CALL TO WORSHIP** May the God of Grace and Power Chancel Choir **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** The Apostles' Creed PR **GLORIA PATRI** Hymnal #71 **Congregation and Chancel Choir** 1 John 1:1-3 WORD OF GOD Penny Mount HE IS REAL **Doug Hammond** HYMN OF RESURRECTION Up from the Grave He Arose **Congregation and Chancel Choir** (Hymnal #322) WORD OF GOD Mark 16:9-11 Al Beaty HE IS REAL Lisa Patrick ANTHEM OF HOPE I Want Jesus To Walk With Me **Chancel Choir** (COLLECTION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS) DOXLOGY / BLESSING OF THE OFFERING Hymnal #95 **Congregation and Chancel Choir** WORD OF GOD Matthew 28:2-15 Penny Mount HE IS REAL **Rick Stoltz** PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH Jim Vaughn WORD OF GOD 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 Al Beaty HE IS REAL **Cindy Harper** SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION In Remembrance of Me Chancel Choir BENEDICTION

CCMMUNION STEWARDS: Bob & Sue Rose; Bill & Vickie Box

### PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Pastor: Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

<u>People</u>: Jesus, I belong to you.
I lift my heart to you.
I set my mind on you.
I fix my eyes on you.
I offer my body to you, as a living sacrifice.
Jesus, we belong to you.
Praying in the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Amen.

#### 1 JOHN 1:1-3

God is love. Since we are His children, we must walk in love. In fact, John says that if we do not love, we do not know God. Love is more than just words; it is actions. Love is giving, not getting. Biblical love is unconditional in its nature. Christ's love fulfilled those qualities and when that brand of love characterizes us, we will be free of self-condemnation and experience confidence before God.

God is life. Those who fellowship with Him must possess His quality of life. Spiritual life begins with spiritual birth which occurs through faith in Jesus Christ. Faith in Jesus Christ infuses us with God's life ---eternal life.

Allow these words from The First Epistle of John to settle deep within your soul to awaken the truth of Jesus' resurrection.

Christ was alive when the world began, yet I myself have seen him with my own eyes and listened to him speak. I have touched him with my own hands. He is God's message of life. This one who is life from God has been shown to us, and we guarantee that we have seen him; I am speaking of Christ, who is eternal Life. He was with the Father and then was shown to us. Again, I say, we are telling you about what we ourselves have actually seen and heard, so that you may share the fellowship and the joys we have with the Father and with Jesus Christ his son.

God is not dead, He is alive! People: AMEN, AMEN, & AMEN!

### Mark 16:9-11

A reading from The Gospel According to Mark.

It was early on Sunday morning when Jesus came back to life, and the first person who saw him was Mary Magdalene—the woman from whom he had cast out seven demons. She found the disciples wet-eyed with grief and exclaimed that she had seen Jesus, and he was alive! But they didn't believe her! Later that day he appeared to two who were walking from Jerusalem into the country, but they didn't recognize him at first because he had changed his appearance.

This is the Word of God for the people of God. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

#### Matthew 28:2-15

A reading from The Gospel According to Matthew.

Suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and rolled aside the stone and sat on it. His face shone like lightning and his clothing was a brilliant white. The guards shook with fear when they saw him and fell into a dead faint. Then the angel spoke to the women. "Don't be frightened!" he said. "I know you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified, but he isn't here! For he has come back to life again, just as he said he would. Come in and see where his body was lying. And now, go guickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and that he is going to Galilee to meet them there. That is my message to them." The women ran from the tomb, badly frightened, but also filled with joy, and rushed to find the disciples to give them the angel's message. And as they were running, suddenly Jesus was there in front of them! "Good morning!" he said. And they fell to the ground before him, holding his feet and worshiping him. Then Jesus said to them, "Don't be frightened! Go tell my brothers to leave at once for Galilee, to meet me there." As the women were on the way into the city, some of the Temple police who had been guarding the tomb went to the chief priests and told them what had happened. A meeting of all the Jewish leaders was called, and it was decided to bribe the police to say they had all been asleep when Jesus' disciples came during the night and stole his body. "If the governor hears about it," the Council promised, "we'll stand up for you and everything will be all right." So, the police accepted the bribe and said what they were told to. Their story spread widely among the Jews and is still believed by them to this very day.

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# 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

A reading from the First Letter to the Church in Corinth.

Now let me remind you, brothers, of what the Gospel really is, for it has not changed—it is the same Good News I preached to you before. You welcomed it then and still do now, for your faith is squarely built upon this wonderful message; and it is this Good News that saves you if you still firmly believe it, unless of course you never really believed it in the first place. I passed on to you right from the first what had been told to me, that Christ died for our sins just as the Scriptures said he would, and that he was buried, and that three days afterwards he arose from the grave just as the prophets foretold. He was seen by Peter and later by the rest of "the Twelve." After that he was seen by more than five hundred Christian brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died by now. Then James saw him, and later all the apostles. Last of all I saw him too, long after the others, as though I had been born almost too late for this.

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