#### **Announcements**

April 4 <sup>th</sup> (Sun.)	Easter Sunday Deacons Meeting Worship Service "He Is Alive!" (Matthew 28:1-9)	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.
April 5 <sup>th</sup> (Mon.)	Church Office Closed for Easter	
April 7 <sup>th</sup> (Wed.)	"Sunday" School in Sanctuary	10:00 a.m.
April 11 <sup>th</sup> (Sun.)	Worship Service The Character Traits of a Christian (Matthew 5:1-12)	10:30 a.m. — Part 1
April 13 <sup>th</sup> (Tues.)	Leadership Meeting	4:00 p.m.
April 14th (Wed.)	"Sunday" School in Sanctuary	10:00 a.m

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# The Worship of God – April 4, 2021 Easter Sunday

#### **COMMUNION WITH GOD**

Meditation and Silent Prayer
Prelude
Welcome, Announcements, and ConcernsDr. H. Powell Dew, Jr.
PRAISE AND ADORATION
Call to WorshipClay Whittington  In Christ Alone by Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend

- 1. In Christ alone my hope is found;
  He is my light, my strength, my song,
  This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
  Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
  What heights of love, what depths of peace
  When fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
  My Comforter, my All in All;
  Here in the love of Christ I stand.
- 2. In Christ alone who took on flesh;
  Fullness of God in helpless Babe.
  This gift of love and righteousness
  Scorned by the ones He came to save;
  'Til on that cross as Jesus died
  The wrath of God was satisfied;
  For every sin on Him was laid;
  Here in the death of Christ I live.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH COMMITMENT

- 1. The day of resurrection!
  Earth, tell it out abroad;
  The Passover of gladness,
  The Passover of God.
  From death to life eternal,
  From earth unto the sky,
  Our Christ hath brought us over
  With hymns of victory.
- 2. Our hearts be pure from evil,
  That we may see aright
  The Lord in rays eternal
  Of resurrection light;
  And, list'ning to His accents,
  May hear, so calm and plain,
  His own "All hail!" and, hearing,
  May raise the victor strain.
- 3. Now let the heav'ns be joyful!
  Let earth her song begin!
  The world resound in triumph,
  And all that is therein;
  Let all things seen and unseen
  Their notes of gladness blend;
  For Christ the Lord hath risen,
  Our joy that hath no end.

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Postlude	gton
Hail thee, festival day! by Ralph Vaughan Williams	U



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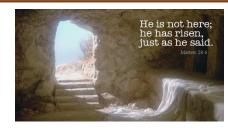
#### WORSHIP THROUGH MUSIC AND GIVING

- 1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia!
- 2. Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O Death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O Grave? Alleluia!
- 3. Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia! Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!
- 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!



An offering plate is placed in the vestibule for your tithes and offerings. You may also use the enclosed envelope in your weekly packet to mail your tithes and offerings to the church.

# WORSHIP THROUGH PROCLAMATION



### He is Alive!

Matthew 28:1-9

Dr. H. Powell Dew, Jr. (Sermon enclosed)

- 3. There in the ground His body lay;
  Light of the world by darkness slain.
  Then bursting forth in glorious day,
  Up from the grave He rose again!
  And as He stands in victory
  Sin's curse has lost its grip on me:
  For I am His and He is mine,
  Bought with the precious blood of Christ!
- 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death
  This is the power of Christ in me.
  From life's first cry to final breath
  Jesus commands my destiny.
  No power of hell, no scheme of man
  Can ever pluck me from His hand;
  'Til He returns or calls me home,
  Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

- 1. Easter people, raise your voices, Sounds of heav'n in earth should ring. Christ has brought us heaven's choices; Heav'nly music, let it ring. Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.
- 2. Fear of death can no more stop us From our pressing here below. For our Lord empowered us to Triumph over every foe. Alleluia! Alleluia! On to vict'ry now we go.
- 3. Ev'ry day to us is Easter,
  With its resurrection song.
  Even when life overwhelms us
  Easter people sing this song: Alleluia!
  Alleluia! Everlasting Sunday song.

#### WORSHIP THROUGH WORD AND PRAYER

Scripture Reading	Matthew 28:1-9
Prayer of Intercession	Dr. Dew

# (Please review our prayer list and pray for those listed.)

Theme: The Resurrection of Christ

Object: Easter Surprise Cookies

Scripture: 1 After the Sabbath, at dawn on Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to

the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. 3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. 4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. 5 The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. 6 He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. 7 Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." 8 So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. 9 Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me." Matthew 28:1-10

As I am sure all of you know, today we are celebrating a very special day. Who can tell me what day it is? That's right! It's Easter! To begin our lesson today, I have a surprise for you. It's called Easter Surprise Cookies. Pass these around; there are enough for each of you to have one. Don't eat your cookie until everyone has one. (Wait until each one has a cookie, then continue.)

Now that everyone has one, you may eat your cookie. (You may wish to join the children in eating a cookie.) Yum, Yum! That was good, wasn't it? Who can guess why they're called Easter Surprise Cookies? (Let them guess.) That's right! They had a surprise in the middle,

didn't they? There was a jelly bean baked into the middle of the cookie for a nice surprise.

The title of today's Bible lesson is "An Easter Surprise." But the Easter Surprise in our lesson isn't about finding something that wasn't expected. It's about NOT finding what was expected. Listen to what happened with "An Easter Surprise."

On the Sunday after Jesus was crucified, Mary Magdalene and another woman named Mary went to visit the tomb where Jesus had been buried. When they arrived, the stone that had covered the tomb had been rolled away, and an angel was sitting on it. The two women were shocked and a bit afraid.

Can you help me with this Easter Surprise story? Every time you hear the name "Jesus," say "He is risen!" Let's practice....Jesus (Kids say, "He is risen!")

"Don't be afraid," the angel said to them. "I know you are looking for Jesus (Kids say, "He is risen!") who was crucified. He is not here, He has risen, just as He said He would. Come, see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples."

The two Marys looked in and saw that the tomb was empty and hurried away. They were surprised! They were afraid! But they were filled with joy. As they ran to tell the disciples, they met Jesus. (Kids say, "He is risen!") They ran to him and grabbed him and worshiped him.

Jesus (Kids say, "He is risen!") said to them, "Don't be afraid! Go tell my brothers to leave for Galilee, and they will see me there."

Now, that is what I call a real Easter Surprise. They went to see Jesus (Kids say, "He is risen!") in the tomb, but He was not there. He was risen! That is why when we see our friends on Easter we greet them by saying, "He is risen!" and our friends reply, "He is risen indeed!"

Dear God, we thank You for this glorious celebration of the resurrection of our Lord Jesus (Kids say, "He is risen!"). We are not surprised that the tomb was empty. He has risen just as He said He would. In His name we pray. Amen.

Children's Sermon is from www.sermons4kids.com)