

VANCE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Easter Sunday

April 21, 2019 • 10:00 a.m.



Lectionary Selections of Scripture for this Sunday:

Isaiah 65:17-25 ~ **Psalm 118:1-2,14-24**

1 Corinthians 15:19-26 ~ Acts 10:34-43 ~ **Luke 24:1-12**

The **MISSION** of
Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church (USA)
is to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ
with everyone through Worship, Prayer,
Education, Fellowship, and Mission Outreach.

Gathering around God's Word

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ Is Alive!, **GtG 246**

CHIMES

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Victory

Based on the hymn VICTORY by G. P. Sante da Palestrina, 1588

Adapted with Alleluias by William H. Monk, 1861

Setting by John Ness Beck

Please refer to GtG 236.

Congregation may join in unison when directed:

Lord! By the stripes which wounded Thee,

From death's dread sting thy servants free,

That we may live and sing to Thee.

Alleluia!

GREETINGS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the fellowship pad to the inside aisle.

CALL to WORSHIP

Liturgist: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Congregation: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Liturgist: This is the good news we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

Congregation: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Liturgist: That Christ died for our sins, and was buried, and rose again on the third day.

Congregation: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Liturgist: He appeared to Peter, and to the twelve, and to many faithful witnesses.

Congregation: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Liturgist: At last he came to us, that we might come to believe and proclaim this good news to the world.

Congregation: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

OPENING PRAYER

All: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Grant us as we die daily to sin, that we may live with Christ in the joy of his resurrection. Amen.

⌘ OPENING HYMN of PRAISE

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today, GtG 232

CONFESSION and time of self-examination *(congregation may be seated)*

Liturgist: Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sin, we might live for righteousness.

Congregation: **Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.**

SILENT PRAYER of CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Liturgist: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with all the saints. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

All: Thanks be to God. Amen.

⌘ GLORIA PATRI

Glory Be to the Father, GtG 581

⌘ PASSING the PEACE of CHRIST

May the Peace of Christ be with you! **And also with you!**

Encountering God's Word

⌘ SONG for ILLUMINATION

Your Only Son, GtG 518

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Miss Jane

The ANTHEM

Worthy Is the Lamb

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin

Clothed in righteousness, robed in glory, holy is the Lord of Hosts.
Blessing and honor, glory and power to Him who reigns upon the throne.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

to receive honor and praise for evermore.

I heard the voice of many angels, they were gathered 'round the throne.

They were ten thousand times ten thousand, all the angels joined as one.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

to receive power and riches and wisdom and strength.

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain

to receive honor and praise for evermore.

Bring Him honor and praise for evermore. Amen.

The SCRIPTURE

HEBREW TESTAMENT READING:

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

NEWER TESTAMENT READING:

Luke 24:1-12

The word of the Lord ... **Thanks be to God!**

MORNING MESSAGE

Rev. Erica L. Harley

Responding to God's Word

⌘ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostle's Creed

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; 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 life everlasting. Amen.

⌘ SONG of AFFIRMATION

Thine Is the Glory, GtG 238

⌘ INVITATION to the OFFERING

Leader: In the spirit of the first believers, we are called to share our goods in common and contribute to the needs of the poor with glad and generous hearts. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

(congregation may be seated)

The OFFERTORY

What a Beautiful Name

Words and Music by Ben Fielding and Brooke Ligertwood

You were the Word at the beginning, One with God, the Lord most high;
Your hidden glory in creation now revealed in You, our Christ.

What a beautiful Name it is.

What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.

What a beautiful Name it is. Nothing compares to this.

What a beautiful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

You didn't want Heaven without us, so Jesus, You brought Heaven down.
My sin was great, Your love was greater; what could separate us now?

What a wonderful Name it is!

What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.

What a wonderful Name it is! Nothing compares to this.

What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

What a wonderful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

Death could not hold You; the veil tore before You.

You silenced the boast of sin and grave,

The heavens are roaring the praise of Your glory,

for You are raised to life again.

You have no rival, You have no equal.

Now and forever, God, You reign.

Yours is the Kingdom. Yours is the glory.

Yours is the Name above all names, above all names!

What a powerful Name it is!

What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus Christ, my King.

What a powerful Name it is! Nothing compares to this.

What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

What a powerful Name it is, the Name of Jesus.

Jesus!

⌘ DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow, GtG 606

PRAYER of DEDICATION

All: Holy One, we give you thanks for the great deeds of salvation that you have done and continue to do. Bless these offerings of thanksgiving that they may further your kingdom in this world; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

MORNING PRAYER & OUR LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth, as it is in Heaven!
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

Taking God's Word out, into our Worlds

⌘ CLOSING HYMN *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*, **GtG 245**

⌘ BENEDICTION

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⌘ POSTLUDE

⌘ Please stand if able.

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