

## Today's Scripture

**Luke 24:1-12, 36-42, 45-48, 50-51**

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'" Then they remembered his words. When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened... Later, while they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds? Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet. And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish... Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things... When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.

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Many thanks to the following people for helping with our services this morning:

**Sound Tech:** Jon Elsea

**Greeters: (8:30)** Ruth Bieber, Dean Habegger, Elizabeth Morris, Mary Van Sickle  
(10:00) The Kowal family, Doris Miller

**Acolytes: (8:30)** Ushers (10:00) Aidan Marcikic, Chris Randall

**March Ushers: (8:30)** Pat Conn, Steve Emminger, Jack Hansen,  
Larry Leon, Larry Pflederer, Tom Plohr

(10:00) Charles Hetzel, Jesse Michmerhuizen, Steve Neil, John Oberrieder, Ted Zeng

(9:30) Please join us for coffee and refreshments served in Fellowship Hall  
and hosted by the Berryman Family.

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Pastors: Jamie Hanna Williams, Stephen C. Williams

# Easter Sunday

March 31, 2013

8:30 & 10:00 a.m.



**Prelude** "Solemn Entry" R. Strauss  
Lakeshore Brass Quintet and Organ

## \* Call to Worship

*Leader:* O sing to God a new song!

*People:* For God has done marvelous things.

*Leader:* Because of God's steadfast love to all people,

*People:* All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

*Leader:* For now is Christ risen from the dead!

*People:* Make a joyful noise unto God, all the earth.

*Leader:* Break forth into joyous songs and praise!

*All:* For Jesus is our resurrection and our life. Nothing in all creation can separate us from the love of God in Jesus, our risen Christ. Amen.

\* Hymn "Fanfare and Hymn for the Risen Savior" A. Pote  
Congregation joins to sing "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today,"  
No. 302 (verses 1-4) when indicated.  
Adult Choir, Organ, Congregation, and the Lakeshore Brass Quintet

## Unison Prayer

*We thank you, O God, that Jesus Christ has risen in glory like a bright morning star, to light up the darkness of our lives. May we turn our faces to the sunshine of your love in him, that in our lives we too may reflect your glory. Grant that we might live in newness of life, that we might ourselves know the power of resurrection, now and in the world to come; for it is in the name of the risen Christ that we pray. Amen.*

## Children's Message

Rev. Dr. Jamie Hanna Williams

\* Those who are able are invited to stand.

\*\* Please consider completing a "Joys and Concerns" card and placing it in the box at the back of the sanctuary.  
The Pastors and Prayer Team will use the cards to guide weekly prayer. Thank you!

## First Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-8, 51-54, 57  
(8:30) Jon Elsea (10:00) Noel Clausen

**Anthem** "Alleluia, He Lives!" J. Raney  
Adult Choir and the Lakeshore Brass Quintet

## Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

\* Hymn "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" No. 304

**Second Scripture Reading** Luke 24:1-12, 36-42, 45-48, 50-51

**Sermon** "He Arose!" Rev. Dr. Stephen C. Williams

**Offering / Offertory** "Now the Green Blade Rises" D. Cherwien

\* **Doxology** "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 94

## \* Prayer of Dedication

\* **Closing Hymn** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" No. 327

## \* Pastoral Benediction

**Postlude** Lakeshore Brass Quintet



**A WARM WELCOME TO All!** We are delighted to have you sharing with us in worship today. If you are visiting for the first time, please stop by the Welcome Table in the foyer to pick up a Visitor Packet and meet our Welcoming Ministries Coordinator, Joyce Bedell (joycebedell@sbcglobal.net), for information about our church family. All are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for coffee, cookies and community sharing from 9:30—10:30 a.m., between the services. We look forward to seeing you there!