



Sunday, April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday

WORSHIP FOCUS: Jesus lives to take me from death to life.

INVOCATION

FIRST LESSON – Jonah 2:2-9

Jonah thanked God for saving him by sending the fish to swallow him - a foreshadowing of Jesus' 3 days in the tomb.

He said: "In my distress I called to the Lord, and he answered me. From the depths of the grave I called for help, and you listened to my cry. ³ You hurled me into the deep, into the very heart of the seas, and the currents swirled about me; all your waves and breakers swept over me. ⁴ I said, 'I have been banished from your sight; yet I will look again toward your holy temple.' ⁵ The engulfing waters threatened me, the deep surrounded me; seaweed was wrapped around my head. ⁶ To the roots of the mountains I sank down; the earth beneath barred me in forever. But you brought my life up from the pit, O Lord my God. ⁷ "When my life was ebbing away, I remembered you, Lord, and my prayer rose to you, to your holy temple. ⁸ "Those who cling to worthless idols forfeit the grace that could be theirs. ⁹ But I, with a song of Thanksgiving will sacrifice to you. What I have vowed I will make good. 'Salvation comes from the Lord.'"

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 118

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This is the day the Lord has made, let us
Rejoice and be glad! This is the day the
Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

The Lord is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.

The Lord's right hand is lifted high;
the Lord's right hand has done mighty things!

I will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

This is the day the Lord has made, let us
Rejoice and be glad! This is the day the
Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad!

I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.

The stone the builders rejected has become the
capstone; the Lord has done this, and it is marvelous in
our eyes.

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

Glory be the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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SECOND LESSON - Colossians 3:1-4

Christians rise to a new life in Christ and look forward to living with Him in eternal glory.

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

GOSPEL LESSON – Matthew 28:1-10

The women find the empty tomb, hear the angel's announcement, and meet the risen Jesus.

After the Sabbath, at dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb ²There 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. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. ⁵The angel said to the woman, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.

⁷Then 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.” ⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. “Greetings,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

HYMN – 143 “He’s Risen, He’s Risen” (verses 1-5)

SERMON Text: Revelation 19:11-16

Theme: “Victory!”

- I. Our Hero is not dead, but alive, having defeated death.
- II. Our living Hero has all authority on the day of judgment.
- III. Those with the Rider are safe forever.

OFFERING

Offerings may be made by mailing them to the school at 105 Allen Street, Jenera, OH 45841. You may also drop them off at the school between 9 and noon, Monday through Friday. If these hours are not convenient for you, please call the school at 419.326.4685 to make other arrangements.

You may also make your offering using “Online Giving.” . Please see the website for instructions.

CHOIR ANTHEM: Choir Director Deb Enderle had chosen "I Will Rise" to be sung by our Trinity Choir on Easter Day. You may watch and listen to a recording of it by the Martin Luther College Choir by going to the web address:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7bNqdUTSgcA>

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

BLESSING

HYMN - 152 "I Know that My Redeemer Lives" (verses 1-2, 7-8)



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

THERE WILL BE NO CHURCH or school activities throughout the month of April.

SERMONS AND DEVOTIONALS may be found on line, on YouTube. Please check the church website, www.tlcjenera.org, for links to the videos. You may also find all up-dates posted on the website.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A DVD of the sermons, please email the school at tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org. Or you may call the office during the new hours of 9:00AM to noon, Monday through Friday. You may pick up DVD's of the sermons, newsletters and printed sermons during these hours. If these hours are not convenient for you, please call the school at 419.326.4685 to make other arrangements.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE to be added to the email list for newsletters, bulletins and other correspondence, please email the school at tlsoffice@tlcjenera.org.

COMMUNION: Pastor Schmitzer and Pastor Nowak are offering private communion to anyone who is interested. You can meet one of them at church or they can come to your home. Please contact them by phone or email to make arrangements.

