

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Second Sunday of Easter The Lord's Day

Opening Hymn	(Responsive) 149: I Serve a Risen Savior	Shawn Garman Congregation
Prayer of Adoration	143. I SCIVE & NISCH SAVIOL	Pastor Tim Valentino
Scripture Readings The First Lesson: The Response: The Gospel Lesson:	Acts 4:32-35 Psalm 133:1-5 ^{(w/Musical} Retrain) Luke 6:27-36 (Please stand)	Shirley Long Shirley Long/Shawn Garman Shirley Long
Worship in Giving	Galatians 6:9-10	Pastor Tim Valentino
Prayer Hymn	156: Jesus Lives and So Shall I (v. 2 only)	Congregation
Praise & Worship	King of Kings / This is Our God	Congregation
Sermon	Just A Seed (John 12:23-27) Chief Dev	Matt Hershey elopment Officer of Jubilee Ministries
Closing Hymn	296: In Loving Kindness Jesus Came	Congregation
Benediction	Jesus Is All the World to Me Thompson / DeCou	Pat Shroff

Lector	Shirley Long	Children's Church Leader	Maureen Logan
Responder	Shawn Garman	Nursery	Jennifer Danielson
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Dave & Kaye Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Trumpeter	Mel Leedom	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist	Marcy Garman	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Trumpeter, Pianist	Sonya Valentino	Custodian	Gloria Graybill
Hymn Leader, Vocalist, Office Administrator	Maureen Logan	Director of Buildings & G	rounds Will Robertson
		Guest Speaker Mai	tt Hershey, Jubilee Ministries



Call to Worship: 1 Corinthians 15:54b-57

Death has been swallowed up in victory.

"Where, O death, is your victory?

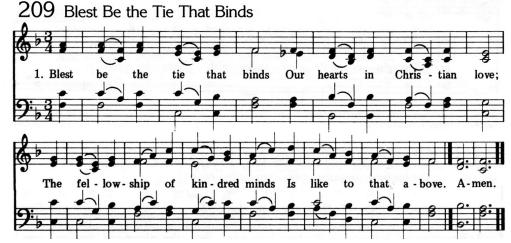
Where, O death, is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

The First Lesson: Acts 4:32-35

³²All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all ³⁴ that there were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵ and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.



The Response: Psalm 133:1-5 with Musical Refrain

¹How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!

² It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, running down on Aaron's beard, down on the collar of his robe.

MUSICAL REFRAIN

Blest be the tie that binds Our bearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

³ It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion.

For there the LORD bestows his blessing, even life forevermore.

MUSICAL REFRAIN

Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love; The fellowship of kindred minds Is like to that above.

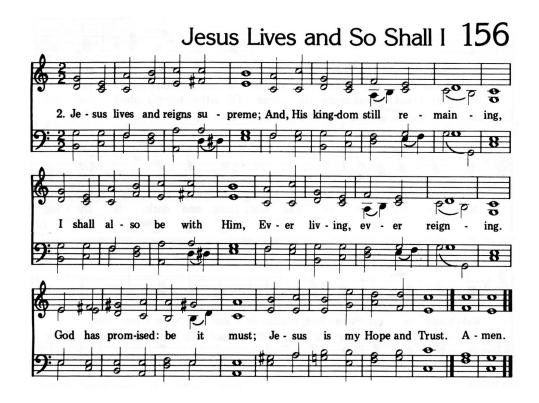
(PLEASE STAND) The Gospel Lesson: Luke 6:27-36

²⁷ "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸ bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. ²⁹ If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. ³⁰ Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. ³¹ Do to others as you would have them do to you.

³² "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? Even sinners do that.³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, expecting to be repaid in full. ³⁵ But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked.³⁶Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Worship in Giving: Galatians 6:9-10

⁹Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. ¹⁰Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.



King Of Kings

In the darkness We were waiting Without hope Without light Till from heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes To fulfill the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

[CHORUS]

Praise the Father, Praise the Son Praise the Spirit, Three in one God of glory, Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross For even in your suffering You saw to the other side Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake you died

[REPEAT CHORUS]

And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath Till that stone was moved for good For the Lamb had conquered death

[REPEAT CHORUS]

Shall not kneel

Shall not faint

Praise forever to the King of Kings

And the dead rose from their tombs

And the angels stood in awe

To the Father are restored

Then the Spirit lit the flame

Now this gospel truth of old

By His blood and in His name

In His freedom I am free

Who has resurrected me

For the love of Jesus Christ

For the souls of all who'd come

And the church of Christ was born

This Is Our God

Remember those walls that we called sin and shame? They were like prisons that we couldn't escape But He came, and He died, and He rose Those walls are rubble now

Remember those giants we called death and grave? They were like mountains that stood in our way But He came, and He died, and He rose Those giants are dead now

[CHORUS]

This is our God, this is who He is He loves us This is our God, this is what He does He saves us He bore the cross, beat the grave Let heaven and earth proclaim This is our God, King Jesus

Remember that fear that took our breath away? Faith so weak that we could barely pray But He heard every word, every whisper Now those altars in the wilderness Tell the story of His faithfulness Never once did He fail, and He never will

[REPEAT CHORUS]

Who pulled me out of that pit? He did, He did Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus Who pulled me out of that pit? He did, He did Who paid for all of our sin? Nobody but Jesus Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Jesus Who rescued me from that grave? Yahweh, Yahweh Who gets the glory and praise? Nobody but Him

[REPEAT CHORUS]

He bore the cross, beat the grave Let heaven and earth proclaim This is our God, King Jesus Oh, this is our God"



Luncheon with David & Conce Roof • Friday, April 26 @ noon

We have reserved a table at Country Fare in the name of Christ Community Church on Friday, April 26th, to have lunch with David and Conce Roof. We will meet there at noon, Dutch treat, and then after lunch the Roofs will share updates about their ministry.

If you plan to come, please let Pat Strain know. We will need a final headcount the week before to make sure we have enough seats reserved. Take this opportunity to spend time with David & Conce, as well as hear about the exciting Kingdom work happening in northern Brazil.

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, April 8: <u>VBS PLANNING MEETING</u> @ 6:00 p.m. in Zinn Commons. <u>MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING</u> @ 7 p.m. in Zinn Commons

Sunday, April 21: <u>CHURCH FAMILY LUNCHEON</u> @ 12:00 noon in Zinn Commons *** Sign-Up Sheet in the Narthex ***

Monday, May 13: <u>VBS PLANNING MEETING</u> @ 6:00 p.m. in Zinn Commons. <u>MINISTRY COUNCIL MEETING</u> @ 7 p.m. in Zinn Commons

Saturday, May 11: <u>WOMEN'S TEA</u> • 12:30 to 2:15 p.m. • Musician: Matthew Lapp on the Hammered Dulcimer. Please sign up if you are coming, as seating may fill quickly. There is no admission charge to the tea.

> Monday, May 20: <u>CHURCH FAMILY CARE MINISTRY MEETING</u> @ 7:00 p.m. in Zinn Commons

> Sunday thru Thursday, June 9-13: STELLAR VBS @ 6:30 p.m.

NEEDS

The Sharing Cupboard is in immediate need of personal care items including <u>liquid & bar soap</u>, toothpaste and women's care items.

Other food needs: • Snack food • Spaghetti Sauce • Peanut Butter • Chips • Pretzels • Cookies • Crackers • Other Regular Items

Prayer Requests: If you have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at <u>pastortim@christcomm.church</u> or (484) 269-4313.

A FUN NIGHT PLANNED

Bingo Night with Food • Monday, April 15 @ 5 p.m.

(Please sign up in the Narthex **TODAY!**)

The Myerstown Jaycees are inviting teens and adults from Christ Community Church to a <u>no-cost</u>, <u>no-gambling</u> Bingo Night on Monday, April 15. Free food will be offered when the doors open at 5:00 p.m., including hot dogs, macaroni salad, chips, and pretzels. The event will be held at the Lebanon Walk-In Bingo Hall, located at 725 E. Cumberland Street in Lebanon. Game winners get to select household items off the prize table.

Only folks from Christ Community Church (and any friends we invite) will have use of the hall during this event, so let's have a good turnout as a "thank you" to the Jaycees. (Unfortunately, the event is not able to accommodate children.) What better way to spend Tax Day than with church friends at a free event where we can win free prizes in a no-gambling environment? Please see Linda Bugg or Karen Nixon for more information.

STELLAR VBS: June 9-13 • Planning meeting APRIL 8 + May 13 @ 6 p.m.

A sign up sheet is available in the narthex for all who are willing to volunteer.