

PROVIDENCE CHURCH

11 A.M. MARCH 31, 2024

EASTER SUNDAY

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

*Opening Praise (sing together)

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Invocation

Call to Worship

From: Psalm 99

Leader: The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

People: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

Leader: The Lord is great in Zion;

People: He is exalted over all the peoples.

Leader: Jesus Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

*Hymn: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* #360

Scriptural Exhortation: Hebrews 12: 1-2

Prayer of Confession: O God of Grace, you have attributed my sin on my substitute, and have imputed his righteousness to my soul, clothing me with a bridegroom's robe, a robe of holiness.

But in my walk, my daily living, I am still in rags. I have no robe to cover my sins, no loom to weave my own righteousness; I am always standing clothed in filthy garments, and by grace alone do I receive a change of clothes. For you justify the ungodly. I am always going into the far country, and always returning home as a prodigal, always saying,

Father, forgive me, and thou art always bringing forth the best robe. Every morning let me wear it, every evening return in it, go out to the day's work in it, be married in it, be wound in death in it, stand before the throne in it, enter heaven in it shining as the sun. Grant me never to lose sight of the exceeding sinfulness of sin, the exceeding righteousness of salvation, the exceeding glory of Christ, the exceeding beauty of holiness, the exceeding wonder of grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 86: 3-5

*Hymn of Response: *The Day of Resurrection* #357

*Affirmation of Faith; Westminster Larger Catechism

Q51: What was the estate of Christ's exaltation?

A51: The estate of Christ's exaltation comprehendeth his resurrection, ascension, sitting at the right hand of the Father, and his coming again to judge the world.

Q52: How was Christ exalted in his resurrection?

A52: Christ was exalted in his resurrection, in that, not having seen corruption in death (of which it was not possible for him to be held), and having the very same body in which he suffered, with the essential properties thereof (but without mortality, and other common infirmities belonging to this life), really united to his soul, he rose again from the dead the third day by his own power; whereby he declared himself to be the Son of God, to have satisfied divine justice, to have vanquished death, and him that had the power of it, and to be Lord of quick and dead: all which he did as a public person, the head of his church, for their justification, quickening in grace, support against enemies, and to assure them of their resurrection from the dead at the last day.

Prayer of the Congregation and The Lord's Prayer

Teaching Elder Harry Monroe

**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.**

Hymn: Up from the Grave He Arose #367

Reading of Scripture for the Sermon: Acts 17:16-34

Sermon Title: Talking Easter with Pagans

Rev. Harry Monroe

* The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
And born of the virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven.
And is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.
From there He will come to judge the living and
the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
church
The communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
The resurrection of the body, and the life
Everlasting.**

The Lord's Supper

**Hymn: In Christ Alone #265*

*Benediction