\*Hymn 277 | Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (vv. 1-4)

## GOD BLOTS OUT OUR GUILT

God's Call to Confession | Mark 15:33-16:8

## Prayer of Confession

## God's Assurance of Pardon | Romans 4:20-25

No unbelief made Abraham waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. That is why his faith was "counted to him as righteousness." But the words "it was counted to him" were not written for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

\*Hymn 276 | Up From the Grave He Arose

## GOD BEAUTIFIES US FOR HIMSELF

Prayer of Intercession

Our Presentation of Tithes and Offerings Hymn 565 | All for Jesus! Prayer of Dedication

## God's Call Through Preaching

Scripture Reading | Romans 6:1-14 Prayer of Illumination Scripture Proclamation | Alive to God Prayer of Application

\*Hymn 286 | Worship Christ, the Risen King!

\*Confession of Faith | Westminster Confession of Faith 13.1 Pastor: How are believers enabled to live unto God?
People: They, who are once effectually called, and regenerated, having a new heart, and a new spirit created in them, are further sanctified, really and personally, through the virtue of Christ's death and resurrection, by his Word and Spirit dwelling in them: the dominion of the whole body of sin is destroyed, and the several lusts thereof are more and more weakened and mortified; and they more and more quickened and strengthened in all saving graces, to the practice of true holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord.

## GOD BLESSES US WITH HIMSELF

\*God's Benediction

## \*Hymn 731 | Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

## VISITING WITH US?

## WELCOME

We are so glad you have come to worship with us this morning! Please fill out a connect card in the church foyer so we can learn how best to serve you.

## NURSERY

We believe God covenants with households, and so we encourage children of all ages to participate in public worship. For families who are interested, a staffed nursery is available during the morning service for ages 0-3. Please ask the usher for more information.

## FELLOWSHIP

Following the morning service, we encourage you to stick around and give us an opportunity to get to know you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL There will be no Sunday school classes today.

EVENING WORSHIP You are warmly welcome to join us at 6:00pm as we assemble again to close out the Lord's Day in public worship!

## CONNECT WITH US

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## ALIVE TO GOD

## Romans 6:1-14

I. You are alive to God in the resurrected Christ (vv. 3-11). A. That new life is pictured in your baptism (vv. 3-5).

B. That new life is purchased in Christ's baptism (vv. 6-10).

### II. So live to God in the resurrected Christ (vv. 12-14).

A. That new lifestyle battles against sin's rule (vv. 12-13a).

B. That new lifestyle bows under God's rule (v. 13b).

#### QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

- 1. What is antinomianism, and what does it have to do with Easter?
- 2. How does our identity drive morality?
- 3. Why would Paul point us back to our baptism in helping us to grasp our identity as Christians? What do the waters of baptism tell Christians about who they are?
- 4. How does the death and resurrection of Christ free us, not only from sin's penalty (in justification), but also sin's power (in sanctification)?
- 5. If we are dead to sin, why does Paul command us to not let it reign in our bodies?
- 6. Can you explain the difference between definitive sanctification and progressive sanctification? How are both taught in our text?
- 7. Pastor Nick said, "Easter truth changes everything for the Christian." Do you think that was an exaggeration? Why, or why not?

## QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

- 1. How often do I think upon my baptism? Does my lifestyle correlate with or contradict the spiritual realities pictured in my baptism?
- 2. Am I enjoying newness of life in Christ or letting sin have mastery over me? Are there areas in my life I need to repent of in light of today's sermon?
- 3. How would I answer an unbelieving neighbor who asks, "Why does the resurrection matter?"?

# CORNERSTONE

Cornerstone Presbyterian Church is a community of believers devoted to glorifying our Triune God through God-centered theology, God-ordered worship, God-delighting piety, Godexalting leadership, and God-dependent mission.

## LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

March 31, 2024 AM

Welcome, Announcements, & Silent Prayer

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## GOD BECKONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

\*God's Call to Worship | Psalm 16:7-10; 1 Corinthians 15:21-28 Pastor: I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

## People: Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.

Pastor: For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

People: Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Pastor: When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

#### People: All praise be to God!

## \*God's Greeting | Galatians 1:3-5

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.