

# April 1, 2018

## Easter Sunday

### Reverence

*The Bible is not a script for a funeral service, but it is the record of God always bringing life where we expected to find death. Everywhere it is the story of resurrection.*  
— Eugene Peterson

*We are adopted into God's family through the resurrection of Christ from the dead in which he paid all our obligations to sin, the law, and the devil, in whose family we once lived. Our old status lies in his tomb. A new status is ours through his resurrection.*  
— Sinclair Ferguson

*Our spiritual problems can be solved only by the God who created us originally. He created us in His own image and likeness; today, by the grace of His son, He can recreate us in the likeness of His resurrection. Through faith in Jesus Christ, we are recreated and become partakers of His life.*  
— Billy Graham

*Well may the Accuser roar, Of sins that I have done; I know them all plus thousands more, Jehovah knoweth none!*  
— unknown

Salutation

Call to Worship

*Psalm 68:19-20, 32-35, Psalm 107:14, Rev Matt Bostrom*

Song of Invocation

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Prayer of Invocation

Scripture Reading

*John 20:1-21, 31, the Cummings family*

### Reconciliation

Scripture Call to Confession/Confession of Sin

*Romans 6:12-13, 23, Chuck Olsen*

Song of Confession

*How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

Assurance of God's Grace

*selections from 1 Corinthians 15, Rev Matt Bostrom*

Song of Assurance

*All Glory Be To Christ*

### Revelation

Pastoral Prayer

*Rev Matt Bostrom*

Jude Doxology

*(dismissal for Coram Deo kids)*

Sermon

*Hebrews 2:14-15, 2 Timothy 1:10, Jason Farley*

14 Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. (Hebrews 2:14-15)

10 [Grace] has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. (2 Timothy 1:10)

## Announcements

Men's Study & Prayer ...  
Tues@ 6:30A@ My Fresh Basket

Young Adult Study ...  
Thurs@7:30P Bostrom's home

Ladies' Study...  
Wednesdays studying Exodus.  
9:30A @Joelle's 3924 S Bernard  
7P @ Path of Life 103 E Indiana

Leadership Class...  
April 8th @ 5:45 - 7:15P  
My Fresh Basket

Annual CDPC  
Campout...  
August 16-18th @ Farragut  
State Campground  
Details to follow ... put it on  
your calendar NOW!

## Purpose Statement

Coram Deo signifies "life in the presence of God." A relationship possible only by Jesus Christ's rescuing humanity through his gracious sacrifice. Christ's grace is evidenced in our ability to love God and man with:

- Convinced minds
- Cleansed hearts
- Captivated souls
- Committed hands

The community of Coram Deo desires to extend Christ to Spokane and equip the saints to serve.



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## Response

Song of Response

*I Will Glory in My Redeemer*

Confession of Faith

*New City Catechism Q49-50, Sheri Olsen*

Tithes and Offering

*(pick up of Coram Deo kids)*

Hymn

*All Hail the Power of Jesus Name*

## Renewal

No observance of the Lord's Supper today as we celebrate his Victorious Life!

Hymn

*Come People of The Risen King*

## Rest

*Benediction*

## Relevance

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is one doctrine in Christianity more than all others that have compelled either belief or scorn. At the time no one, not even his disciples, believed that Jesus would rise from the dead. Indeed, the primary taunt continually hurled at him during the agony of his torture was "If you really are the Christ, come down from there! Can not he who is the 'King of Israel' save himself?"

It was inconceivable to the Jews that their long-awaited Messiah should suffer a criminal's death. They expected a great military King who would lead the nation to freedom from their Roman oppressors. For Muslims, it is repulsive to think that Allah would taint himself by becoming a mortal, and certainly would never suffer the indignities that Christ voluntarily embraced. And for Hindus, the goal is to escape the physical world all together, to leave behind the illusion of flesh and become one with the Spirit world. Christians have everything backwards - man must become God, not God become man.

Why the crucifixion of Christ?

In the crucifixion, God shows that far from abandoning his creation and eschewing its brokenness, he embraces it by making the ultimate sacrifice to redeem it. Dorothy Sayers wrote, "God did not abolish the fact of evil: He transformed it. He did not stop the crucifixion: He rose from the dead." This is ever God's way, to choose the difficult and unexpected to demonstrate both his love and justice. His justice is seen in condemning the sin and cruelty of humanity. His love is seen in taking that punishment upon himself through the gift of his Son.

It was for this reason that the Apostle Paul wrote to the church at Corinth, "If there is no resurrection from the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith."

It is this remarkable love of God in Christ that we celebrate on Easter Sunday. A love that, in the words of Zechariah the priest, "rescues us and frees us from fear, so that we might worship God with a holy worship, in his holy presence our whole life long."