

Were You There?

1. Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord? Were you
2. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you
3. Were you there when he rose up from the tomb? Were you

there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
there when they laid him in the tomb? Oh!
there when he rose up from the tomb?

Some-times it caus - es me to trem-ble, trem-ble, trem-ble.

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Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?
Were you there when he rose up from the tomb?

Easter Sunrise Service Hoover's Cemetery



Sunday, April 17, 2022
6:30 AM

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Immediately after the worship service, you are warmly invited to Starview United Church of Christ (4832 N. Sherman St. Ext., Mount Wolf) for a hot breakfast of egg and potato casseroles, donuts, muffins, cereal with milk, coffee, hot chocolate, and juice.

GATHERING MUSIC

Mr. Cody Eckenrode

HYMN

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OPENING PRAYER

Pastor: O Living God, this morning begins in darkness, the day dawns in quiet! Cause the sun to rise from its slumber as Jesus arose from the grave. Come, our Lord and Savior, come! Greet us on this morning of mystery and triumph. Amen.

HYMN

Were You There? (Verse 3)

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD BREAKS FORTH

The light of the Christ Candle symbolized Jesus, the Light of the World, who on that first resurrection morning, conquered sin and death by rising to new life, in a perfect victory over the grave. Light from the Christ candle will be passed person to person using the words:

Giver of Light: Christ is our Light.

Receiver of Light: **Thanks be to God!**

GOOD NEWS LITANY

Pastor: O God, who raised Jesus from the tomb, we pray that we may receive a strong sense of the Resurrected Christ in our lives.

People:

We gather this morning to share in the wonder and mystery of the resurrection of Jesus, an event that even his disciples could not believe at first.

Leader:

If our faith has been our guide into life, then we too have witnessed those moments of dying and rising, when life was filled with suffering or with excitement and undying joy.

People:

We pray this morning that the Spirit of Resurrection would fill us even in times when we might find it hard to believe.

Leader:

Renew us with the power of your Word, that we might tell others the meaning of this third day.

People:

Lord, give us the courage of our convictions. We pray that your Spirit would be alive in us, guiding us in the ways of God's justice and love.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:1-18

A HOMILY & PRAYER

Rev. Laura C. Baker

THE TRUMPET OF SALVATION SOUNDS

Mr. Gary Berger

HYMN

He Lives!

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BENEDICTION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Pastor: By the power of God, Christ was raised from death to life.

People: Through his victory over the grave, we too are set free from the bonds of sin and the fear of death.

Pastor: Go forth in joy to love and serve the Risen Lord in all you say and do.

People: We go in the name of the Risen Christ.

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: He is risen indeed. Alleluia! AMEN!

POSTLUDE

He Lives!

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