



ON THE

First Day

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. John 20:1

April 4, 2021
Morning Services

Dr. Gary Hylander
Easter Sunday

ON THE FIRST DAY

John 20:1-18

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is central to the doctrines of Christianity. This historical event signals God the Father's approval of Christ's teachings, including his claim to be the Son of God (Acts 2:22-26; Romans 1:4). Christ's resurrection assures us that the sacrifice for sin has been accepted, and the work of salvation has been completed (Romans 4:24-25). It guarantees the reality of eternal life for all who trust in Jesus Christ as their Savior (1 Corinthians 15:1-4, 20).

It is our privilege on this Easter Sunday morning to reflect upon the historical event of Jesus Christ's resurrection. Examine the details. Ponder the meaning. Reflect upon the truths stated above. Make certain you have placed your faith in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. He died and rose again for you.

WELCOME to eFree

GUESTS

We are so pleased you have chosen to worship with us today to celebrate Easter and our risen Savior!

If you have questions about the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we have a booklet for you entitled, *The Case for Easter*, available for free in the Welcome Center and Church office.

Children are welcome in our services and sermon activity bags are available to help keep your child engaged. Feel free to request one from an usher. If you prefer, we also have pre-school ministry in both of our services and elementary programming during our contemporary service.

For more information, please visit us at www.e-free-family.com.

Our Pastors

Dr. Gary Hylander
Senior Pastor

Jon MacDonald
Family Life/Discipleship Pastor

Aaron Brown
Worship/Technology Pastor

Robert Lee
Student Ministries Pastor

Upcoming

When we gather to worship God next Sunday, we'll return to a verse-by-verse study of God's Word as we continue in the Book of Acts. If you're looking for a church home that desires to know God by seeking Him in His Word, we invite you to come back and dig into God's Word with us.

The *Hope for the Journey* Live Simulcast is this Friday, April 9 from 9am-5pm at a cost of \$10 per person. This conference equips parents and caregivers meeting the needs of children impacted by adoption and foster care. Contact the church office for more information.

No matter what's happening around us, our God, our forever King, is seated. Sovereign. In control. We warmly invite women of all ages to join us for "**Heaven Rules: A Ladies' Prayer Gathering**" at 9am on Saturday, April 10 as we cling to these truths through worship and corporate prayer.

Ongoing

For Children: We long for children to know and love Jesus Christ. We partner with parents in their God-given responsibility to raise their children in the way of the Lord. Our **Awana** ministry, for ages 3-6th grade, meets every Wednesday night from 6:30-8pm during the school year.

For Students: Student Ministries exists to make disciples of Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, prayer, and the ministry of the Word. Students in grades 7-12 meet every Wednesday from 6:30-8pm for **Youth Group** and are provided with an understanding of what Jesus calls them to believe and obey, and how to implement those truths for the advancement of God's kingdom.

For Adults: Life Groups are for Christ-following adults who want to grow in their love for, and obedience to, Christ Jesus. Life Groups are the typical first step in getting connected here at eFree. Groups consist of 8-12 people meeting in homes twice per month for the purpose of growing in Christ.

Equip is a relational and intergenerational gathering on Sunday mornings at 9:30am. You will have opportunities to meet new friends, enjoy fellowship and learn about the foundations of discipleship, how to build a Christian home, how to apply the Sunday sermon to our lives, and how to engage the world around us in conversations about Jesus Christ.

Young Adults exists to multiply followers of Jesus Christ among young singles and marrieds (pre-kids). The group meets every Tuesday at 6:30pm with three evenings a month for Bible study and one for fellowship. The current study focuses on overcoming the fear of what other people think of us and stepping into our identity in Christ.

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April 4, 2021

Contemporary Service - 9:30am

Prelude

His Heart Beats

Welcome and Call to Worship

Pastor Aaron Brown

Glorious Day

I was buried beneath my shame, who could carry that kind of weight?
It was my tomb 'til I met You.

I was breathing, but not alive, all my failures I tried to hide. It was my tomb 'til I met You.

*('Cause when) You called my name (and) I ran out of that grave,
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.
You called my name (and) I ran out of that grave,
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day.*

Now Your mercy has saved my soul, now Your freedom is all that I know.
The old made new, Jesus, when I met You.

I needed rescue, my sin was heavy, But chains break at the weight of Your glory.
I needed shelter, I was an orphan, Now You call me a citizen of Heaven.
When I was broken You were my healing, Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing.
I have a future, my eyes are open.

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Behold The Lamb

See Him there, the great I Am, a crown of thorns upon His head.
The Father's heart displayed for us, O God we thank You for the cross.

Lifted up on Calv'ry's hill, we cursed Your name and even still
You bore our shame and paid the cost, O God we thank You for the cross.

*(Oh) Behold the Lamb the story of redemption, written on His hands.
Jesus You will reign forevermore, the victory is Yours, we sing Your praise,
Endless hallelujahs to Your holy name, Jesus You will reign forevermore, The victory is Yours.*

Offer up this sacrifice for ev'ry sin our Savior died.
The Lord of Life can't be contained, our God has risen from the grave,
Oh our God has risen from the grave.

When the age of death is done we'll see Your face bright as the sun.
We'll bow before the King of kings, O God forever we will sing.

You reign forevermore, the victory is Yours, King Jesus reigns forevermore,
The victory is Yours

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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 fulfil the law and prophets, to a virgin came the Word,
From a throne of endless glory to a cradle in the dirt.

*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.

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.

And the dead rose from their tombs, and the angels stood in awe,
For the souls of all who'd come to the Father are restored,

And the Church of Christ was born, then the Spirit lit the flame,
Now this Gospel truth of old shall not kneel shall not faint.

By His blood and in His Name, in His freedom I am free,
For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me.

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Announcements and Offering Prayer

O Praise The Name (Anástasis)

I cast my mind to Calvary where Jesus bled and died for me.
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet, my Savior on that cursed tree.

His body bound and drenched in tears, they laid Him down in Joseph's tomb.
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone.

*O praise the Name of the Lord, our God. O praise His Name forevermore.
For endless days we will sing Your praise, oh Lord, oh Lord, our God.*

Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of heaven rose again.
O trampled death where is your sting? The angels roar for Christ the King.

He shall return in robes of white, the blazing sun shall pierce the night.
And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face.

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Message

On the First Day, John 20:1-18

Dr. Gary Hylander

I Will Rise

There's a peace I've come to know, Though my heart and flesh may fail,
There's an anchor for my soul I can say it is well.

Jesus has overcome, And the grave is over whelmed.
The victory is won, He is risen from the dead.

*(And) I will rise when He calls my name, No more sorrow no more pain
I will rise on eagle's wings Before my God fall on my knees and rise, I will rise.*

There's a day that's drawing near When this darkness breaks to light,
And the shadows disappear And my faith shall be my eyes.

Jesus has overcome, And the grave is overwhelmed,
The victory is won He is risen from the dead

And I hear the voice of many angels sing: Worthy is the Lamb.
And I hear the cry of every longing heart: Worthy is the Lamb.
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Closing Prayer

Postlude

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