

DISMISSAL PRAYER

As we go from this time together, may we rest in the resurrection hope of your Son. We celebrate that you have destroyed the power of death, removing our shame, and giving us hope. Because you live, we can face the days that are ahead of us, our future is in your hands. Amen.

CLOSING HYMN: #256 BECAUSE HE LIVES

—
A Benediction Prayer from
Pastor Gary

Father God who sent your Son to give up
His life for our sins,

Thank you for the hope we have in Jesus,
not only for the broken body and shed
blood,

But also for the empty grave that reminds us
once again that nothing,

Not sickness, not loneliness not even death,
can separate us from the love of Christ.

Amen



REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Do you believe it is possible for God to continue to act redemptively without the empty tomb?
2. How do you assess the different reactions of Peter, John and Mary at the tomb?
3. What do you think of the phrase "logic can get us to resurrection Sunday, but it takes a relationship with Christ to get us to Monday?"

Scripture for Next Week

Sermon Series: John 2:1-11*; Psalm
36:5-10**

Lectionary: Acts 2:14 a, 22-32,
Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31



Wollaston Church of The Nazarene

Sunday, April 12th 2020

Easter Sunday

IT'S SUNDAY, BUT MONDAY'S

COMIN'

Liturgy

Until We Meet In Person Again



Call To Worship

Gathering Hymn: #259 *Worship Christ, the Risen King*

PSALM 118: 1-2, 14-24

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

Let Israel say: "His love endures forever."

The Lord is my strength and my defense;
he has become my salvation. Shouts of
joy and victory resound in the tents of
the righteous:

**"The Lord's right hand has done
mighty things! The Lord's right hand
is lifted high; the Lord's right hand
has done mighty things!"**

I will not die but live, and will proclaim
what the Lord has done. The Lord has
chastened me severely, but he has not
given me over to death.

**Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the
Lord. This is the gate of the Lord
through which the righteous may
enter.**

I will give you thanks, for you answered
me; you have become my salvation. The
stone the builders rejected has become
the cornerstone;

**the Lord has done this, and it is
marvelous in our eyes. The Lord has
done it this very day; let us rejoice
today and be glad.**

IT'S SUNDAY, BUT MONDAY'S COMIN'

Welcome to worship this Easter Sunday! We are excited to celebrate in the resurrection of our Lord today! As we have spent time in darkness, waiting for this light, we welcome today with joy, hope and longing. Though the days ahead of us seem uncertain our prayer is that you are able to place your hope and trust in Him as we celebrate that **He is risen!** You are loved and prayed for.

If you have any prayer requests, needs, or just want to talk, please call the church office at

617-472-5669.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

FIRST READING: ISAIAH 65: 17-25

READER: THE WORD OF THE LORD.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.

SECOND READING: I CORINTHIANS 15: 19-26

READER: THE WORD OF THE LORD.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God of resurrection power and life, we praise you and lift up the needs of our church, world and our own lives. You have conquered death and opened the gates of eternal life. Thank you for hearing our prayers.

We lift up our prayers and petitions to you: _____

We give you thanks for all you have done and all you are going to do. In Your Holy Name, Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

GOSPEL HYMN: #258 CHRIST AROSE

GOSPEL READING: JOHN 20: 1-18

READER: THE WORD OF THE LORD.

PEOPLE: THANKS BE TO GOD.

Sermon: Pastor Gary Sivewright

SERVICE OF THE TABLE

Until we can gather around the Lord's Table again:

Almighty God, unto you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

We come to You, Lord, in meekness of heart and humility of spirit, knowing that we cannot approach You in our own righteousness, but because of Your great goodness. Your nature is always to show mercy to those who justly deserve Your wrath and punishment. We are so thankful for your forgiveness, redemption and new life you have freely given us. **Amen.**

