Worship Service

(4/19/2020)

**Prelude** (*I Know That My Redeemer Lives*)

*Verse 1*

*I know that my Redeemer lives;
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;
He lives, my ever living Head.*

*Verse 2*

*He lives to bless me with His love,
He lives to plead for me above.
He lives my hungry soul to feed,
He lives to help in time of need.*

*Verse 3*

*He lives to silence all my fears,
He lives to wipe away my tears
He lives to calm my troubled heart,
He lives all blessings to impart.*

*Verse 4*

*He lives, all glory to His Name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same.
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives,
I know that my Redeemer lives!*

**Call to Worship**

**Invocation**

**Welcome and announcements**

**Opening Prayer**

**Confession of Sins**

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me, the joy of Thy salvation and uphold me with Thy free Spirit. Then will I teach transgressors Thy ways and sinners will be converted unto Thee. Forgive us according to Your goodness and grace, through the Name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Absolution**

**Introit**

**Scripture Lessons**

 First Lesson: Acts 5:29-42

 Epistle: 1 Peter 1:3-9

 Gospel: John 20:19-31

**Confession of Faith**

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit; Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; Was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into Hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; And is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From where He shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; The Holy Christian Church, the Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Hymn before the sermon:** (*I Love to Tell the Story*)

*Verse 1*

*I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and His glory, of Jesus and His love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
It satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.*

*Refrain*

*I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory,
To tell the old, old story of Jesus and His love.*

*Verse 2*

*I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems
Than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;
And that is just the reason I tell it now to thee.*

*Refrain*

*Verse 3*

*I love to tell the story, for those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory, I sing the new, new song,
'Twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long.*

*Refrain*

**Sermon**

 “I Love to Tell the Story” Acts 5:29-42

**Lord’s Prayer**

**Benediction**

**Postlude** (*Amazing Grace)*

*Verse 1*

*Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
Was blind, but now I see.*

*Verse 2*

 *'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!*

*Verse 3*

 *Through many dangers, toils and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.*

*Verse 4*

*When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we'd first begun.*