
Worship at St. John's Baptist Church

Sunday, May 9, 2021 | Eastertide

Greeting & Prayer of Submission

Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Hymn of Praise

He Lives

ASCENSUS

I serve a risen Saviour, he's in the world today. I know that he is living, whatever others say.
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer, And just the time I need him he's always near

He lives! He lives! Christ Jesus lives today! He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives! He lives! Salvation to impart! You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian! Lift up your voice and sing eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!
The Hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find none other is so loving, so good and kind.

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Reading from the Epistle

1 John 5:3-5

Jane Starnes, reader

For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome,
for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith.
Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

This is the written word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Song of Response

Standing on the Promises

PROMISES

Standing on the promises that cannot fail,
when the howling storms of doubt and fear assail,
by the living Word of God I shall prevail,
standing on the promises of God.

Refrain

Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God my Savior;
standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God.

Standing on the promises I cannot fall,
list'ning every moment to the Spirit's call,
resting in my Savior as my all and all,
standing on the promises of God.

Refrain

The Church at Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Allison Benfield

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Reading from the Epistle

Romans 8:35-39

Jane Starnes, reader

Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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Song

Love Has a Name

by Kim Walker-Smith, Ran Jackson, and Ricky Jackson

There's a space in ev'ry beating heart
There's a longing that reaches past the stars
There's an answer to ev'ry question mark
There's a name

There's a joy that triumphs over fear
There's a laughter that wipes away all tears
There's a presence that changes atmospheres
There's a name

Pre-Chorus

We will fix our eyes on the One who overcame
We will stand in awe
Of the One who breaks the chains

Love has a name
Love has a name Jesus
Love has a name
Love has a name Jesus

Joy has a name
Joy has a name Jesus

Vict'ry has a name
Vict'ry has a name Jesus

Message

More Than Conquerors

Dr. Foust

Hymn

Go Forth for God

GENEVA

Go forth for God; go to the world in strength;
Hold fast the good, be urgent for the right,
Render to no one evil; Christ at length
Shall overcome all darkness with his light.
Go forth for God; go to the world in strength.

Commissioning the Scattered Church

Dr. Foust

Postlude

J. Noel Lance