Payton's Pen

He Has Risen!

For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, 1 Cor. 15:3-4

Today, we gather as the Bride of Christ to celebrate His victory over death. This Sunday is glorious, and because of what Christ accomplished on the cross, we can cry out, "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

Jesus rose from the dead just as He said He would do; Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is going to be delivered into the hands of men; 23 and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day (Matthew 17:22-23)." But the Old Testament as well predicted His death on the cross and His resurrection.

His Death

And Abraham said, "God will provide for Himself the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. Gen 22:8 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth. ls. 53:7

His Burial

So His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth. Is. 53:9

His Resurrection

For You will not forsake my soul to Sheol; You will not give Your Holy One over to see corruption. Ps 16:10

As we worship our risen Savior today and every day let us rejoice knowing that this world is not our home, death will not defeat us, and one day, when this life is over, we will be with Him forever.

Your shepherd,

Pastor Mark

Grace Gems

A time to laugh! (J.R. Miller)

"A happy heart makes the face cheerful, but heartache crushes the spirit." Proverbs 15:13
"All the days of the oppressed are wretched, but the cheerful heart has a continual feast!" Proverbs 15:15
"A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones." Proverbs 17:22
"I know that there is nothing better for men than to be happy and do good while they live." Ecclesiastes 3:12

"There is a time to weep—and a time to laugh; a time to mourn—and a time to dance" Ecclesiastes 3:4

There is no inconsistency between holiness and laughter. It is no sin to smile. Indeed, a somber religion is unnatural. Gloom is morbidness. Our lives should be sunny and songful. Christ's religion is joyous, even amid sorrows. We hear songs in the night.

There is a flower which is most fragrant after the sun has set, and in the darkness pours its richest aroma on the air. Just so, true religion grows in sweetness—as the shadows deepen. He misrepresents Christianity and the likeness of the Master—whose piety is cold, dreary, cheerless, joyless, or who frowns upon innocent gladness and pure pleasures.

Sanctified wit has a blessed mission. Life is so hard, so stern, with so many burdens and struggles—that there is need for all the bright words we can speak. The most wretched people in the world are those who go about in sackcloth, carrying all their griefs in their faces and casting dark shadows everywhere. Every Christian should be a happiness-maker. We need a thousand times more joy in our lives, than most of us get. We would be better men and women, if we were happier.

"A cheerful look brings joy to the heart, and good news gives health to the bones." Proverbs 15:30 "An anxious heart weighs a man down, but a kind word cheers him up." Proverbs 12:25

Quote of the Week

"The supreme enemy that afflicts human life—death itself—is triumphed over with the resurrection."

-R.C. Sproul

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Weekly Gatherings



Bible Classes

Old & New Testament Classes
Ladies Class
Young Adults Young Parents
Youth Surge
Sunday Morning @ 9:30AM



Weekday Meetings

Mondays | 7PM Men's Bible Study 1st and 3rd Saturday Women of Grace | 9AM Wednesdays | 6:30PM AWANA



Family Groups

Thursdays @ 7PM
Please check church website
for start date and directions to each



Build the Body Teams

If you would like to serve on a BtB Team and need to sign up, please contact the team leader at the appropriate email address on the back of this bulletin.



Youth Study

Wednesdays @6:30PM Youth Study; AWANA & Surge!



Service Times

Sunday Services 8AM & 11:00AM Sunday School 9:30AM Children's Church @11:00AM Giving from service on 03/24/2024

 General Offering
 .9,162.82

 Building Fund
 .5,357.00

 Uganda Missions
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 G3 Offering
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 Benevolence
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Total.......\$15,166.82 Attendance......208 Online.....34

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