

He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: 'The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'

**Luke 24:6-7**

# ***Easter Sunday***

## ***April 12, 2020***

<b>Call to Worship</b>	Job 19:25-27
<b>Worship in Song</b>	Christ the Lord is Risen Today (He is not Dead) He Lives (I Serve a Risen Savior)
<b>Scripture Reading</b>	Isaiah 53:1-12
<b>Worship in the Word</b> Hebrews 9:11-28 – “Searching for a Cure”	Pastor John Olson
<b>Response Song</b>	There’s Power in the Blood
<b>Benediction</b>	Pastor John Olson

### **Questions for Understanding**

If you have your blood drawn at the doctor’s office do you watch the blood being drawn or do you look away?

When you think of “blood” is it a negative or positive thing?

In the Old Testament when did the high priest have to offer sacrifice for his sins first? How is Jesus a better high priest?

What does it mean for us to be “covered with the blood of Jesus?”

Do you believe that there is power in the blood of Jesus?

Hebrews 9:28 talks about how Jesus will come again to save those who are eagerly waiting for Him. What are some ways that we can “eagerly wait” for Jesus to come again?

## Announcements

These are unusual times that we are living in. As we all have been adapting and adjusting our daily habits and practices so too has the church been changing and adapting. Currently Victory has decided to continue the online services through May 31st . All cell groups and fellowships will also continue to meet online through April 30th. At this point only essential personnel will be allowed to enter the church building (staff and coworkers who are involved in recording the services). Also know that during this time we will not be serving communion until we meet in person again. If you would like to talk with me about this privately I would be happy to do so. All steps being taken to prevent the spread the coronavirus are being done in prayer and in consultation with an epidemic response team.

Even though we are not meeting in person right now the costs of Victory are largely the same. The church is asking you to please give your tithes and offerings now online. The offerings can be transferred to Victory's Postal account, the bank code is 700, follow by the account number - 0061021 0478485. When you make the first transfer in order to make sure that the offering goes to VEF please make sure to fill out this online form - <https://forms.gle/kyaFUoo9P3Pt8hUx6>.

### Question: "Where does the saying 'He is risen; He is risen, indeed' come from?"

<https://www.gotquestions.org/He-is-risen.html>

**Answer:** A traditional [Easter](#) greeting in the Western church is the exclamation "He is risen!" and the traditional response is "He is risen, indeed!" The words are sometimes accompanied by the exchange of three kisses on alternate cheeks, depending on the church. In the Orthodox and Catholic churches, the greeting is called the "Paschal greeting" and is a very old custom.

The greeting is ultimately based on [Luke 24:34](#). Translations throughout church history, from the [Latin Vulgate](#) (c. AD 400) to the [ESV](#) (2001) have translated this verse nearly identically: "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" (ESV). Exactly how the saying became a standard greeting in the church is not known, although there are various theories regarding how it came into common usage.

We do know that, at first, the greeting was more common in Eastern and Byzantine liturgies than in the Western church. There is a tradition in the [Eastern Orthodox Church](#) that the saying was made popular by [Mary Magdalene](#) when she supposedly addressed Emperor Tiberius in Rome with the words "Christ is risen."

Using this address should be more than an empty tradition. The words "He is risen!" remind us of the joyous news we celebrate at Easter, that Jesus' death was not in vain, and that He has the power to overcome death. Saying "He is risen!" allows us to share this incredible truth with each other. The resurrection of Christ gives us hope for salvation and for our own resurrection and eternal life.