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Probation After Death Sunday, October 24, 2021

SUNDAY SERVICE DETAILS

HYMNS: 381, 25, 413

Hymn #381

What brightness dawned in resurrection And shone in Mary's wondering eyes! Her heart was thrilled with new affection, She saw her Lord in life arise.

She knew the Christ, undimmed by dying, Alive forevermore to save; Creative Mind, all good supplying, Had triumphed over cross and grave.

With hope and faith, like exiles yearning For homelands loved through patient years, The hearts of men are homeward turning To God Who giveth rest from fears.

Assured and safe in Love's protection, Great peace have they, and unsought joy; They rise from sin in resurrection, And works of love their hands employ.

Scriptural Selection

- 1. I Cor 15:55, 57 thanks
- 55 O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?
- 57 thanks *be* to God, which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Matt. 17:1-9 after

- after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart,
- 2 And was transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.
- And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with him.
- 4 Then answered Peter, and said unto Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt, let us make here three tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias.
- 5 While he yet spake, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

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And when the disciples heard it, they fell on their face, and were sore

- 6 afraid.
- 7 And Jesus came and touched them, and said, Arise, and be not afraid.
- And when they had lifted up their eyes, they saw no man, save Jesus only.
- 9 And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the dead.

3. Gen 5:22-24

- 22 And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:
- 23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:
- 24 And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him.

4. Heb 11:5

5 By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.

5. Ps 37:23, 24

- 23 The steps of a *good* man are ordered by the LORD: and he delighteth in his way.
- Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down: for the LORD upholdeth *him with* his hand.

6. Eccl. 11:3 in

3 in the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.

7. Ps 116:8, 9

- 8 For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, *and* my feet from falling.
- 9 I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

Prayer

Silent prayer, followed by the audible repetition of the Lord's Prayer with its spiritual interpretation by Mary Baker Eddy

Our Father which art in heaven,

Our Father-Mother God, all-harmonious,

Hallowed be Thy name.

Adorable One.

Thy kingdom come.

Thy kingdom is come; Thou art ever-present.

Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

Enable us to know, — as in heaven, so on earth, — God is omnipotent, supreme.

Give us this day our daily bread;

Give us grace for to-day; feed the famished affections;

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And Love is reflected in love;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;

And God leadeth us not into temptation, but delivereth us from sin, disease, and death.

For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.

For God is infinite, all-power, all Life, Truth, Love, over all, and All.

Hymn #25

Blest Christmas morn, though murky clouds Pursue thy way, Thy light was born where storm enshrouds Nor dawn nor day!

Dear Christ, forever here and near, No cradle song, No natal hour and mother's tear, To thee belong.

Thou God-idea, Life-encrowned,
The Bethlehem babe—
Beloved, replete, by flesh embound—
Was but thy shade!

Thou gentle beam of living Love, And deathless Life! Truth infinite,—so far above All mortal strife,

Or cruel creed, or earth-born taint: Fill us today With all thou art—be thou our saint, Our stay, alway.

Notices

Solo

The Transfiguration, sung by Josh Henn

Explanatory Note

Golden Text and Responsive Reading

GOLDEN TEXT: Acts

... Before he was taken up, working in the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus instructed the apostles he had chosen. ... He appeared to them over a period of forty days, speaking to them about God's kingdom.

RESPONSIVE READING: Acts; I John

. . . God doesn't show partiality to one group of people over another.

Rather, in every nation, whoever worships him and does what is right is acceptable to him.

This is the message of peace he sent to the Israelites by proclaiming the good news through Jesus Christ: He is Lord of all!

We are witnesses of everything he did, both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him up on the third day and allowed him to be seen,

not by everyone but by us. We are witnesses whom God chose beforehand, who ate and drank with him after God raised him from the dead.

He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead.

This is how the love of God is revealed to us: God has sent his only Son into the world so that we can live through him.

The Golden Text and Responsive Reading are from the Common English Bible.

Bible Lesson-sermon

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Hymn #413

Let us sing of Easter gladness That rejoices every day, Sing of hope and faith uplifted; Love has rolled the stone away. Lo, the promise and fulfillment, Lo, the man whom God hath made, Seen in glory of an Easter Crowned with light that cannot fade.

When we touch Truth's healing garment And behold Life's purity, When we find in Love the refuge That is man's security, When we turn from earth to Spirit, And from self have won release, Then we see the risen Saviour; Then we know his promised peace.

Living meekly as the Master, Who of God was glorified, Looking ever to the radiance Of his wondrous Eastertide; Freed of fear, of pain, and sorrow, Giving God the honor due, Every day will be an Easter Filled with benedictions new.

Scientific Statement of Being

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There is no life, truth, intelligence, nor substance in matter. All is infinite Mind and its infinite manifestation, for God is All-in-all. Spirit is immortal

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- 12 Truth; matter is mortal error. Spirit is the real and eternal; matter is the unreal and temporal. Spirit is God, and man is His image and likeness. Therefore
- man is not material; he is spiritual.

Correlative Scripture

I John 3:1-3

- BEHOLD, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.
- Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
- 3 And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.

Benediction

Ps 23:6

6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

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