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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN “The Church’s One Foundation” by Samuel J. Stone

The Church’s one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;
 She is His new creation by water and the Word:
 From heav’n He came and sought her to be His holy Bride;
 With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o’er all the earth,
 Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
 One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
 And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

Tho' with a scornful wonder, we see her sore oppressed,
 by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,
 Yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"
 And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war,
 she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;
 Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
 and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The glory of Easter fades so quickly if our faith is not strong enough to believe in Christ’s Resurrection.

People: *The thought that Christ’s Resurrection is too good to be true may be the reason our faith seems inadequate.*

Pastor: That may be one of the reasons why Thomas wanted to see the Lord before he would believe such a wonderful truth.

People: *We cannot touch Christ’s wounds; but, we believe he arose and we want our faith to be strong enough to always enjoy the glory of his Resurrection.*

OPENING PRAYER

Most gracious Lord of Life, whose Son returned from the grave in glory and appeared to his disciples: Grant us the faith to believe beyond what our eyes can tell us that we may experience your Son in our lives as our Lord and our God. In His name we pray. Amen.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

**SILENT PRAYER
PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & PETITION
THE LORD'S PRAYER**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord, our heavenly Father, we want so much to be able to grasp the full impact of the glory of Christ's Resurrection. We do not doubt as to deny your existence, but we find such truth so overwhelming and beyond our comprehension. Forgive us for our resistance to believe by faith in the eternal truth of Easter. Give us the joy Christ promised to those who believe without seeing. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

HYMN OF PREPARATION “*Seek Ye First*” by Karen Lafferty CCLI License #1677508 © 1972, Maranatha! Music (admin by Capital CMG Publishing)

Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you;
Seek, and you shall find.
Knock, and it shall be opened unto you.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

People shall not live by bread alone,
But by every word
That proceeds out from the mouth of God.
Hallelu, Hallelujah!

SCRIPTURE John 20:19-31

SERMON “*What's in a Name?*”

PASTORAL PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC “*Doubting Thomas*” by Chris Thile CCLI License #1677508 © 2005, Sugar Hill Records: a Welk Music Group Company.

What will be left when I've drawn my last breath
Besides the folks I've met and the folks who've known me
Will I discover a soul-saving love
Or just the dirt above and below me

I'm a doubting Thomas
 I took a promise
 But I do not feel safe
 Oh me of little faith

Sometimes I pray for a slap in the face
 Then I beg to be spared cause I'm a coward
 If there's a master of death
 I bet he's holding his breath
 As I show the blind and tell the deaf about his power

(Chorus)

Can I be used to help others find truth
 When I'm scared I'll find proof that it's a lie
 Can I be led down a trail dropping bread crumbs
 That prove I'm not ready to die

Please give me time to decipher the signs
 Please forgive me for time that I've wasted

I'm a doubting Thomas
 I'll take your promise
 Though I know nothing's safe
 Oh me of little faith

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN OF SENDING “What a Friend We Have in Jesus” by Joseph Scriven

What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer.
 O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear.
 All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.

Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?
 We should never be discouraged, take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?
 Jesus knows our every weakness, take it to the Lord in prayer.

Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?
 Precious Savior, still our refuge; take it to the Lord in prayer.
 Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer.

In His arms He'll take and shield thee, thou wilt find a solace there.

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH