

Jesus is the fulfillment of an old “deeply Jewish” promise. After embedding the story of Jesus in the history of the people he’s speaking to, Peter turns their attention from the past to the future. Jesus is a new promise foretold. Jesus is in heaven now but he is coming again and, when he does, God will “restore everything, as he promised long ago.” This whole sermon began because Peter and John healed a man. The acts of healing and restoration are the beginnings, the foretastes, the hints of a new Kingdom to come, a complete and total restoration. The creation will no longer groan under the floodwaters or break open along fault lines. People will be restored to one another and to God. There will be no wars between nations or petty disagreements among family members. There is a day coming when all things will be restored.

-Commentary from the Center of Excellence in Preaching

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Tuesday - Thursday 10AM-12PM

Or By Appointment

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We recognize that we worship on the traditional lands of the Syeelhwh Nation, which means ‘The people who live here.’ We acknowledge their care of the land prior to European settlement. Today, we share this land together, and continue to work towards healing and reconciliation.

Awesome!

Knox
Presbyterian

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024

AN AWESOME GOD

Sunday Morning Worship

"He is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!"

Musical Prelude

Welcome

We gather with joy, for Easter brings us new life.
The Risen Christ is with us wherever we go.
Love breaks all bonds and unites us in hope.
Christ has defeated death. Let us rejoice and be glad!
Come and worship with hearts full of praise.
O God, receive our grateful Hallelujahs!

Opening Hymn - How Great is Our God

Opening Prayer

God our Maker,
We praise you for all the wonders in your creation:
For the detailed perfection revealed in a baby's tiny fingers,
in pussy willows unzipping their jackets to greet the spring,
in each rock face worn by wind and water,
witnessing to your ancient design
like wrinkles around an aging smile.
Such details lift our hearts to praise you.
So let the life, teaching and resurrection of
the Risen Christ lift and instruct our hearts this day,
that we may greet a new week
as an occasion to discover him in our midst,
making all things new in the springtime of your Holy Spirit.

God our Redeemer,

in raising Jesus from the dead, you showed us your power
to defeat all that brings fear and sorrow to our lives.

Yet we confess we are sometimes uncertain
if we can trust the promise of resurrection for ourselves.
Forgive us when we struggle to trust your goodness for us.
Forgive us when we miss the signs of your love in our midst.

Responsive Psalm Reading - Psalm 4

Hymn Medley

Scripture Lesson - Acts 3:12-19

Reflection - Rev. Teresa

Music Moment

Prayer for the People & Lord's Prayer

Announcements

Closing Hymn - I Am a Friend of God

Benediction

Postlude