Worship Service
April 21st, 2019

*Worship Song …….....Together with Band
Opening Prayer ……..... Presider
Bible Reading ….…… …1 Corinthians 15:1-11……..…..... Kurt Schwartz
Prayer ……..…….…….. Samuel Lebbie
Announcement ……..……..……Gil Henderson

Offering Prayer……..…..……..…..…….…..... Presider
Offering …….....Together
Special Song ……..…..… ……. Choir
Message …… **The Blessed Life in the Resurrection**
……Timothy Hong

Prayer of Blessing ……..……..…..…..Presider

Today's Sermon Outline

The Blessed Life in the Resurrection
1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The resurrection is grounds for unshakable faith
The resurrection gives us life with unshaken faith. ..*I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.*
When the risen Lord appeared, He did not appear just mysteriously. When He appeared, He actually spent time with His disciples, talked to them, ate with them. He showed them His hands and side which had marks of the nails and spear, which had penetrated His hands and side when He was crucified and died (John 20:27). Jesus has proved the fact of His resurrection through many appearances in different times and different places (verses 3-7).
The most compelling evidence is the promises and records of the resurrection in the Scripture which is the most reliable book of all books. The evidences of the resurrection give believers the unshaken basis of faith in Jesus. When you search all the evidences of the resurrection, and the trustworthy record in the Scripture, you can stop doubting and believe in the resurrection. And you can keep your faith unshaken always.

The resurrection comes to believers' gathering
Jesus can reveal His power of the resurrection to anyone individually. But Jesus is more pleased with revealing His resurrection when believers gather together. That is why the author of Hebrews encourages believers to gather together as often as possible: *Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching* (Hebrews 10:25).

The believers in the first church in Jerusalem experience the power of the resurrection every day when they gathered together diligently (Acts 2:43-47). Throughout church history Christians have gathered together even at the time of severe persecution against their gathering.
Although you may receive God's grace when you pray alone or worship alone, you always receive more abundant grace when you gather together with other believers and worship the Lord together with them.

The resurrection enables us to overcome failure and live with hope
While Jesus suffered and was crucified on the cross by powerful people, Peter publicly denied Jesus, and all the other disciples fled away. They became failures. But after Jesus rose from the dead, He came to them and restored their faith (John 21:1-23). Jesus used the power of the resurrection not to condemn the failures of the weak and the powerless, but to restore them from failure. Through the power of the resurrection, Jesus maximized God's grace in their lives (verses 8-11).

In addition, no matter what happens to us, the resurrection gives us hope for the future. Because the power of the resurrection gives victory over death which is the greatest problem and greatest tragedy we all face. With the power of the resurrection, nothing is impossible to overcome. With the power of the resurrection, we always have a chance to recover, restart and redeem ourselves from failure, tragedy and defeat.

Applications
1. How does the resurrection of the Lord help your faith in the Lord remain unshaken even in times of tragedy or disaster?

2. Why do Christians have to keep gathering together even if they are busy or it is a sacrifice for them to gather together? What spiritual blessings have you received through joining in Christian fellowship?

3. How does the resurrection of Christ help you overcome your failures and live with hope always?

Announcements

Welcome New Comers and Visitors

We welcome all new comers and visitors to our worship service today. Please join us for our lunch fellowship which will be held in the fellowship hall right after the service.

Lunch Preparation

This week – Easter Potluck **Next week** – Filipino Group

*Today's fellowship cleaning turn is African Group (John Ayetty & Dieudonne Ossanguila)

Prayer Request

* For healing- Alex Garcia who has been suffering from severe flu.
* For traveling mercies
- Family of Lina Morillo (Ender, Ana, Karlos, Kamila) is going to Florida for a week.
- Ruth Kweon is in Korea visiting her parents. Her parents would be saved at this time.
* For Haroon's mom in Pakistan- to pass her US visa interview (May 29th) so she will be able to come to Chicago before Anayza's baby's birth.

Special Thanks

To those who have donated an offering to purchase Easter lilies for the sanctuary decoration today.

Groups for Fellowship Hall Cleaning on Sundays (April/2019)

Date	Group	Leader
March 31	College and Young adult Group	Moses Sanchez
April 7	Spanish Group	Analis Gomez Garcia
April 14	Filipino Group	Nestor Dumlao
April 21	African Group	John Ayetty
April 28	Pakistan & Korean Group	Haroon Wilson

Ushers of the Month

Offering Ushers	GiGi Alberto, Charles Gaines, Samantha Gaines, Lyle Atonson
Welcome Ushers	Analis Garcia, Patricia Grass

Last Week's Offering

Tithe	Erlinda Albert //Maria Regina Gigi Alberto//Rossana, Tony Bokhari//Eryn Corachea//Rene & Lynn Corachea//Rose & Nestor Dumlao//Charles & Samantha Gaines//Mary Hong//Lydia Hong//Jasmine Luna//Andrea Martin//Ildevert & Denise Mboungou//Rosalia//Narvaez//Reyna Rosales//Carlos & Lucia Lopez//Verjun & Sandra San Jose//Robert Bob Stewarts//Ian Chua Tan//Desiree Gonzalez//Carmen Mejas
Lord's Day	Timothy Hong//Samuel Lebbie//Marta Velasquez
Thanksgiving	Rose & Nestor Dumlao//Charles & Samantha Gaines//
Mission	Rossana & Tony Bokhari//Byung, Sung & Brian Cheon//Rose & Nestor Dumlao//Diana B. Lamier//Carlos Lopez//Robert Bob Stewarts

Weekly Bible Reading Chart

Day/date	Old Testament	Check	New Testament	Check
Mon 4-22-19	2 Samuel 1-4		Luke 4:14-30	
Tue 4-23-19	2 Samuel 5-8		Luke 4:31-37	
Wed 4-24-19	2 Samuel 9-10		Luke 4:38-44	
Thu 4-25-19	2 Samuel 11-13		Luke 5:1-11	
Fri 4-26-19	2 Samuel 14-19		Luke 5:12-16	
Sat 4-27-19	2 Samuel 20-22		Luke 5:17-26	
Sun 4-28-19	2 Samuel 23-24		Luke 5:27-39	

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