I Saw the Light

I wandered so aimless life filled with sin I wouldn't let my dear savior in Then Jesus came like a stranger in the night

Praise the Lord I saw the light.

Chorus:

I saw the light I saw the light No more darkness no more night Now I'm so happy no sorrow in sight Praise the Lord I saw the light.

Just like a blind man I wandered along Worries and fears I claimed for my own Then like the blind man that God gave back his sight Praise the Lord I saw the light.

Chorus

I was a fool to wander and a-stray Straight is the gate and narrow the way Now I have traded the wrong for the right Praise the Lord I saw the light.

Chorus



Some special thanks need to go to all the volunteers that help make this service possible. This includes those who help set up the chairs, tables, and all those who brought food to share.

Welcome to the Chaires Methodist Church Easter Sunrise Service



March 31, 2024

7:30 a.m.

Special thanks need to go to the Petrandis Family for opening up their property and home to make this possible.

GREETING AND INTRODUCTION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: The tomb is dark, but empty

Congregation: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness

Pastor: The stone has been rolled away

Congregation: The one you are looking for has overcome death

Pastor: The burial clothes are put aside

Congregation: The one you are looking for is alive!

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

Congregation: Christ is Risen Indeed! All: Let us worship our Risen Savior!

WORSHIP SET 1

Up From The Grave He Arose / I Stand Amazed in the Presence

INTRODUCTION TO EASTER

Old Testament Reading (Isaiah 53:6–12)

Special Song

New Testament Reading (Matthew 28:1-8)

WORSHIP SET 2

Because He Lives / Nothing But the Blood of Jesus

SERMON

CLOSING SONG

I Saw The Light

DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

As Christ burst forth from the tomb, may new life burst forth from us and show itself in acts of love and healing to a hurting world. And may the same Christ, who lives forever and is the source of our new life, keep your hearts rejoicing and grant you peace this day and always. **Amen**.

PRAISE SONGS

Up From the Grave He Arose

1 Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior, waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

Chorus: Up from the grave he arose; with a mighty triumph o'er his foes; he arose a victor from the dark domain, and he lives forever, with his saints to reign. He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

- 2 Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior, vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! [Chorus]
- 3 Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior; he tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! [Chorus]

Because He Lives

1 God sent His son, they called Him, Jesus; He came to love, heal and forgive; He lived and died to buy my pardon, An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives!

[Chorus] Because He lives, I can face tomorrow, Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future, And life is worth the living, Just because He lives!

2 How sweet to hold a newborn baby, And feel the pride and joy he brings; But greater still the calm assurance: This child can face uncertain days because He Lives! [Chorus]

3 And then one day, I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain; And then, as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives! [Chorus]

I Stand Amazed (How Marvelous)

1 I stand amazed in the presence Of Jesus the Nazarene And wonder how He could love me A sinner, condemned, unclean

Chorus: Singing How marvelous! How wonderful And my song shall ever be How marvelous! How wonderful Is my Savior's love for me

- 2 He took my sins and my sorrow And He made them His very own He bore the burden to Calvary And suffered and died alone [Chorus] x2
- 3 When with the ransomed in glory His face I at last shall see 'Twill be my joy through the ages To sing of His love for me [Chorus] x2

Nothing But the Blood

1 What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus; What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

[Chorus] Oh! precious is the flow That makes me white as snow; No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

- 2 For my pardon this I see, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; For my cleansing, this my plea, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]
- 3 Nothing can for sin atone, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; Naught of good that I have done, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus]
- 4 This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus; This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus. [Chorus] Nothing but the blood of Jesus. X2