## WITH CHRIST, YOU CAN! By Max Lucado

The women who buried Jesus on Friday returned to visit him early Sunday morning. They brought spices and perfumes to anoint the body. What they found is the substance of Easter hope: no stone in front of the grave, no body within the grave. They found an angel, clothed in white, seated on the stone. "He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay" (Mt. 28:6 NKJV).

When they did, they saw the first signs of the resurrection: a vacant slab, an abandoned burial cloth, a folded shroud, and a beaming angel. And, could we examine the empty grave with them, we'd find something else. Languishing in the corner, in the dust, doomed to be sealed and buried forever...your stack of *I can'ts*.

God buried your *I can'ts* in the grave of Christ. Every last one of them. You say you can't forgive someone? You can't, but with Christ you can. Can't survive the struggle? You can't, but with Christ you can. Can't hang on any longer? Turn to Christ for help. "God's power is very great for us who believe. That power is the same as the great strength God used to raise Christ from the dead" (Eph. 1:19-20 NCV). The same steely, burly force that raised Christ from the dead will turn your "I can'ts" into "I cans": "I can do all things through Christ, because he gives me the strength" (Phil. 4:13 NCV).

With Christ you can face the struggles of Friday.

Set your mind on the joy that awaits you.

With Christ you can endure the silence of Saturday.

Be patient. Christ will come.

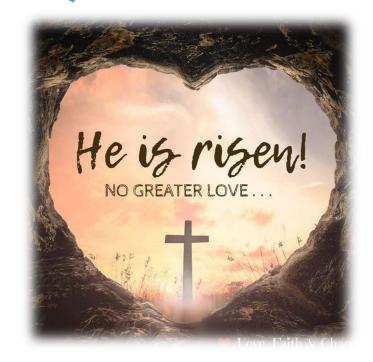
With Christ you can celebrate on Sunday.

The same power that defeated His death will give you life.

Have you asked for it? Have you asked God to help you? He will. He will give you strength in this life and eternal joy in the next. All you need to do is ask him. © Max Lucado, 2013







Okatee Baptist Church exists as a family of baptized believers in Jesus Christ who are dedicated to prayer, evangelism, worship, ministry, missions and fellowship through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

> Rev. Woody Oliver / Pastor Dr. Tim Searcy / Associate Pastor

> > April 20, 2025

#### THE LORD'S DAY

April 20, 2025

Special Music "My Tribute"	Choir
Welcome / Greeting / Prayer	Pastor Woody
Worship in Song "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" "He Lives"	Hymn #270 Hymn #269
Responsive Reading: "But He Lives"	Dr. Tim Searcy
Video: "No Other King"	
Special Music "What He's Done"	Praise Team
Message <b>"Love That Conquers Death"</b> John 20:1-18	Pastor Woody
Response "He is Lord"	Hymn #277
Announcements	Pastor Woody

Offering Prayer and Benediction

### ATTENDANCE

Worship Service / 107Sunday School / 48Sunday Evening / 21Wednesday Evening / 55

## **OUR PEOPLE GAVE**

Weekly Budget: \$ 8,860.00 Budget Offering: \$ 11,045.00

# WEEK OF APRIL 20<sup>TH</sup>–APRIL 27<sup>TH</sup>

Sun 4/20	No Evening Service	
Tues 4/22	11:30am Tuesday Prayer Gathering	
Wed 4/23	<ul><li>5:30pm Prayer Meeting</li><li>6:00pm Bible Study</li><li>7:00pm Choir</li></ul>	
Thur 4/24	6:00pm Praise Team	
Sun 4/27	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service 6:00pm Evening Service	

## WELCOME

Thank you for worshiping with us today. An offering plate is located on a table in the foyer as you came in for your convenience. Thank you for your unwavering support of the ministries here at Okatee Baptist Church.

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

Children K-4 will go directly upstairs instead of staying in the worship area today. We have several activities planned, including a candy egg hunt. Parents, please pick your child up outside after the morning service.

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