

Sunday, April 11, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.



ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

arr. Smith Stephen Boda (organ); Elaine Choi (piano)

OPENING HYMN

No. 213 "Rejoice, The Lord is King" Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your risen Lord adore! Rejoice, give thanks and sing and triumph evermore:

[Refrain:] Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice; again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love; when he had purged our sins, he took his seat above. [*Refrain*]

God's kingdom cannot fail; Christ rules o'er earth and heaven; the keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given. [*Refrain*]

Rejoice in glorious hope, for Christ, the Judge, shall come to glorify the saints for their eternal home:

We then shall hear the archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: This is the message we have heard and that we now celebrate with one another: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed.

Minister: Blessed are you who have not seen him, yet you truly believe and trust him.

All: It is good to live in the Light and not in darkness.

Minister: The Lord has proclaimed a great blessing:

All: Life with the Father for evermore.

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OPENING PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, do not let it ever seem that as far as we are concerned Christ has died and risen in vain. Forgive and deliver us from the sins that can hamper and harden us against the good news of Easter. We confess to you that sometimes we live with pessimism, as if Christ was dead and buried forever, leaving us to go it alone. We confess to you that sometimes we live with guilt, as if Christ's forgiveness is only attainable by those who are worthy. We confess that sometimes we live like paupers in the midst of the riches of Christ's grace. Forgive us our negative thoughts and fill us with the joy of your Holy Spirit.

RESPONSIVE KYRIE

Minister: Lord have mercy upon us; All: Christ have mercy upon us;

Minister: Lord have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANTHEM

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

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All Things bright and beautiful all creatures great and small, all things wise and wonderful, the Lord God made them all. Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings, he made their glowing colours, he made their tiny wings. The purple-headed mountain, the river running by, the sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky. The cold wind in the weather, the pleasant summer sun, the ripe fruits in the garden - he made them every one. He gave us eyes to see them, and lips that we might tell how great is God Almighty, who has made all things well.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE READINGS

1 John 1:1-2:2

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life— this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us— we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true;

but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.

SERMON

The Rev. Lorraine Diaz "He's Got the Whole World in His Hands"

ANTHEM

"O Love"

Hagenberg Carrie Loring (soprano); David Michael Moote (tenor); Elaine Choi (piano)

O Love that will not let me go, m rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thy ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be. O Joy that seeks me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT

CLOSING HYMN

No. 448 "We Know That Christ is Raised" We know that Christ is raised and dies no more. Embraced by death, he broke its fearful hold, and our despair he turned to blazing joy. Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Engelberg

We share by water in his saving death. Reborn, we share with him an Easter life as living members of a living Christ. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

The God of splendour clothes the Son with life. The Spirit's fission shakes the church of God. Baptized, we live with God the Three-in-One. Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

A new creation comes to life and grows as Christ's new body takes on flesh and blood. The universe, restored and whole, will sing: Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

BENEDICTION

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Carillon de Westminster"

Louis Vierne Stephen Boda

NEXT WEEK:

SUNDAY, APRIL 18, 2021

11:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE LIVESTREAM

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling preaching

"Let's Have a Proper Conversation"

from Luke 24:13-27

HEARING GOD SEMINAR - APRIL 14-JUNE 9, 7:00-8:00 PM

Have you ever wondered if God still speaks to people today, or if He has anything to say to you? Have you wondered how to tell the difference between God's voice and your own thoughts? If so, then the Hearing God Course may be for you! We will explore these questions and more, to help you experience and connect with God at an even deeper level.

Led by Rev. Lori, this course consists of daily devotional exercises and weekly teaching and discussion time, Wednesdays, April 14 to June 9 (9 sessions) from 7:00-8:00 p.m.