

Easter Sunday

April 4, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.



ORDER OF SERVICE

PRELUDE

"My Redeemer Liveth" from the Messiah Handel Brittany King, Sharon Lee (violin), Marcus Scholtes (piano)

OPENING HYMN

No. 155 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" Jesus Christ is risen today, hallelujah! our triumphant holy day, hallelujah! who did once, upon the cross, hallelujah! suffer to redeem our loss, hallelujah!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, hallelujah! unto Christ, our heavenly King, hallelujah! who endured the cross and grave, hallelujah! sinners to redeem and save, hallelujah!

But the pains which he endured, hallelujah! our salvation have procured, hallelujah! now above the sky he's King, hallelujah! where the angels ever sing, hallelujah!

Sing we to our God above, hallelujah! praise eternal as God's love, hallelujah! praise our God, ye heavenly host, hallelujah! praise the Son and Holy Ghost, hallelujah!

CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

- Minister: Death has been swallowed up in victory! Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? But thanks be to God, who gives us victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!
- All: Jesus Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. We take our place in the great procession of all who have celebrated Jesus' resurrection from the dead, throughout the centuries and around the world.

Minister: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Amen! Alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER

WELCOME

Easter Hymn

CHILDREN'S TIME

ANTHEM

"Gloria in excelsis deo" from Gloria

Vivaldi Chamber Choir, Venabrass Quintet

Glory to God in the highest.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

John 20:1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 1 am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

John 11:38-44

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling **"Two Tombs, One Faith"**

HYMN

No. 173 "Thine is the Glory" Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son: endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes where the body lay.

Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

Lo, Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb! lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth: death hath lost its sting. *Refrain*

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; Life is nought without thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. *Refrain*

PASTORAL PRAYER

Judas Maccabaeus

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

HALLELUJAH CHORUS (from Messiah)

BENEDICTION

EASTER AMEN

ORGAN POSTLUDE

"Toccata from Symphony No. 5"

Charles-Marie Widor Stephen Boda

The flowers gracing the chancel today will be donation to our Churches onthe-Hill Food Bank clients on Easter Monday.

> **SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2021** 11:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE LIVESTREAM

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

from 1 John 1:1-2:2

G.E. Handel

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IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of Carmen and Crawford Anglin, a donation has been made to the Minister's Discretionary Fund by their children.

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.

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