

Celebration of Worship on the Lord's Day

2nd Sunday of Easter April 28, 2019

† Those who are able, please stand

Westminster Peal

Prelude "Suite Gothique, Op. 25, II. "Menuet gothique" Léon Boëllmann (1862-1897)

GATHERING

Welcome and Church Family Life

Rev. Susan Haynes

Choral Introit "Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show" (Psalm 150)"

Robert Williams (1782-1821)

† Gathering as the Children of God

Rev. Haynes

One: How glorious it is to hear of Jesus' resurrection.

All: At his death, our hearts cried out and we felt lost.
One: But he comes to us and walks with us, even now.

All: In the holy word, in the music, in the prayers, he is present with us.

One: Open your hearts to the Lord.

All: Lord, help us really be ready to receive you into our lives. Amen.

† Hymn No. 482

"Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"

† Prayer of Confession (unison)

Pamela Wall

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts,
when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world,
forgive us and help us find our voice.
When we are afraid to forgive and to love again,
forgive us and give us the power to forgive.
When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority,
join with the weak to make us all strong.
When we are confined by our hurts,
touch us with your wounded hands and set us free.
When we are locked behind our doubts and fears,
pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

† Assurance of Pardon Pamela Wall

One: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

All: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

† Response (#118, v2)

"The Day of Resurrection!"

Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal, Of resurrection light
And, listening to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.

† Passing of the Peace

Pamela Wall

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination Elizabeth Small

Old Testament Lesson Unison Reading of Psalm 150 from The Message Elizabeth Small

Hallelujah!

Praise God in his holy house of worship,
praise God under the open skies;
Praise God for his acts of power,
praise God for his magnificent greatness;
Praise with a blast on the trumpet,
praise by strumming soft strings;
Praise God with castanets and dance,
praise God with banjo and flute;
Praise God with cymbals and a big bass drum,
praise God with fiddles and mandolin.
Let every living, breathing creature praise GOD!
Hallelujah!

Anthem/Special Music

"To Come, O Lord, to Thee" Taylor Russell, Mezzo-Soprano William Stickles (1882-1971)

Gospel Lesson Luke 24:13-35 Rev. Haynes

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon "When Jesus Drops In" Rev. Haynes

† Affirmation of Faith The Apostle's Creed Rev. Haynes

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Elizabeth Small

THANKSGIVING AND OFFERING

Offering Elizabeth Small

Offertory "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen All Day, All Night"

Traditional Spiritual, Arr. by Mark Hayes

† Doxology (#592) "Old Hundredth"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

Rev. Haynes

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING

† Closing Hymn No. 119 "The Strife Is O'er"

† Benediction Rev. Haynes

† Congregational Response (#538, v2) "Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing"

Thomas Tallis (1505-1585)

Thanks we give and adoration For Thy gospel's joyful sound; May the fruits of Thy salvation In our hearts and lives abound. Ever faithful, Ever faithful to the truth may we be found.

† Postlude	"I Know Whom I Have Believed"	Arr. Rebecca Bonam

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Blessed to Be a Blessing

We are a Presbyterian church filled with love and energy – an inclusive congregation committed to spiritual growth through worship, study, fellowship, and service.

- As **children of God**, we seek to *praise* God in worship and in all that we say and do
- As **disciples of Jesus Christ**, we *listen* to scripture, tradition, one another, and the world in order to understand God's will for us as individuals and as a community
- As **members of a family of faith**, we strive to *love* one another unconditionally, sharing our joys and standing beside one another in our struggles
- **Moved by the Spirit**, we *serve* our gracious God by taking that with which we have been blessed and turning it into blessings for others.



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