

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

APRIL 4, 2010 ❖ 9:00 and 10:45 AM

Resurrection Sunday

Preparation for Worship

Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:8-11

Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.

Romans 8:34

Prelude

Organ Sonata Op. 65 No. 6
Chorale (Father in Heaven)

Felix Mendelssohn

Pastoral Welcome

The Rev. John R. McCracken

Choral Call to Worship

"On the Third Day"

Allen Pote

Jesus was crucified. He died and was buried. Jesus was crucified.

On the third day Christ arose. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead, his kingdom will have no end. Christ is risen from the dead, he is risen as he said, he is alive, he is alive, alleluia! Christ has conquered death and sin, died for us our souls to win, he is alive, he is alive, alleluia! He ascended into heaven and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. He will come again to judge the living and the dead, his kingdom will have no end. Alleluia! On the third day Christ arose!

***Call to Worship**

based on Psalm 30

The Rev. Patrick N. Poteet

Minister: We will exalt you, O Lord, for you have lifted us out of the depths. O Lord, you brought us up from the grave. Sing praises to the Lord, you saints of his; give thanks to his holy name! Weeping may remain for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

People: **You turned my mourning into dancing; you removed our sackcloth and clothed us with joy, that our hearts may sing to you and not be silent. O Lord, our God, we will give thanks to you forever!**

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: **The Lord is Risen Indeed! Alleluia! (louder) Alleluia! (louder still) Alleluia!**

***Hymn of Adoration No. 277**

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

***Prayer of Adoration**

Mr. McCracken

***Hymn of Praise**

"In Christ Alone"

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1. In Christ a - lone, my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my
 2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full-ness of God in help - less
 3. There in the ground His bod - y lay, Light of the world by dark - ness
 4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in

song; this cor - ner stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and
 Babe! This gift of love and right - eous - ness, scorned by the ones He came to
 slain; then, burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the grave He rose a -
 me. From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com - mands my de - sti -

storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings
 save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -
 gain! And as He stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on
 ny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from his

cease. My com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.
 fied. For ev - 'ry sin on Him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.
 me; for I am His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
 hand. 'till he re - turns and calls me home, here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles Creed

The Rev. Michael Wichlan

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Hymn of Praise**

"Lift High the Cross"

CRUCIFER
arr. Hal H. Hopson

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore His sacred name.**

**Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,
the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *(Refrain)***

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conqu'ering ranks combine. *(Refrain)***

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
your death has brought us life eternally. *(Refrain)***

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory. *(Refrain)***

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Joe Gage, *Ruling Elder*

Our gracious Father, you sent your Son to die and rise to new life in order that death might be brought to an end and that we too might live a new life. Yet we have too often chosen death over life. In our thoughts, words, and deeds we have rebelled against you and your intentions for us.

In so doing, we have broken our fellowship with you, whose love is better than life and whom to know is life itself. In so doing, we have hurt others, sometimes unintentionally and sometimes deliberately, and have diminished their lives. In so doing, we have damaged ourselves who were created to reflect your beauty.

Father, forgive us our sin for Jesus' sake. And grant that your resurrection power might flow through our entire being that we might walk in the ways of love and justice, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Private Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness

I Corinthians 15:54-57

Elder: *Hear these words of promise from God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:*

"Death has been swallowed up in victory! Where, O death is your sting? Where O grave, is your victory? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

My friends, I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

Mr. Gage

The Collection of Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering

"Resurrection Hymn"

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Trinity Choir; Denise Wichlan, solo

arr. David Hamilton

See what a morning, gloriously bright with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem. Folded the grave clothes, tomb filled with light as the angels announce Christ is risen. See God's salvation plan wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice; fulfilled in Christ the man, for He lives. Christ is risen from the dead! See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid?" As in sorrow, she turns from the empty tomb. Hears a voice speaking, calling her name--it's the Master, the Lord raised to life again! This voice that spans the years speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us, will sound till He appears, for he lives. Christ is risen from the dead!

Prayer of Consecration

Mr. Poteet

***The Doxology:**

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**I know that my Redeemer lives,
Think of the joy this knowledge gives,
O praise Him, Alleluia!
He lives at this my being sings,
He lives to reign as King of kings,
O praise him, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him all creatures here below,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

A Thanksgiving for God's Recent Work Among Us

Mr. Gage

The Passing of the Peace

Mr. Poteet

Minister: "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." (*Romans 5:1*) The peace of Christ be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Service of Friendship

Mr. Wichlan

Children between the ages of 4 through 1st grade may now be dismissed for Celebration Chapel, Room 101.

Please locate the black Friendship pad at the left end of your row, fill it out and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the row, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row..

***The Prayer for Illumination**

Mr. McCracken

***Scripture Reading**

Romans 8:34

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The Morning Sermon

"On the Third Day"

Mr. McCracken

***Hymn of Response No. 274**

"Thine Be the Glory"

MACCABAEUS

***Benediction**

Mr. McCracken

Minister: Weep no more! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David has conquered. *Revelation 5:5*

People: **Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns.** *Revelation 19:6*

Minister: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might, forever and ever! Amen! *Revelation 5:13*

People: **Hallelujah! Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory!** *Revelation 19:7*

Minister: He who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you all. Amen. *Revelation 22:20-21*

Organ Postlude

"Marche Triomphale," Op.60 No. 59

Sigfried Karg-Elert

Organist: *Douglass McFarland* **Music Director:** *Dave Leeman*

Instrumentalists: *Jeremy Rohr, Connor Bowser, Scott Monroe, trumpet; Dan McCartney and Ginny Primozic, French horn; Matt Boening, trombone; Joe Goralczyk, tuba; Graham Eubanks, bass; Thomas Primozic, percussion*

Handbells: *Alden, Ashley, Troy and Jennifer Hinds; Ashleigh Gehman, Baylee Wichlan and Olivia Poteet*

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