

Order for the Worship of God
April 22, 2001
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Year: First Sunday After Easter

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Preparation for Worship

"Allegro assai"
Festival Brass

J. S. Bach

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: I will meditate on all Your work, and muse on Your deeds. Your way, O God, is holy; what god is great like our God?

People: **You are the God who works wonders; You have made known Your strength among the peoples!** Psalm 77.12-14

***Hymn of Adoration No. 243**

"Christ Is Alive!"

TRUIRO

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Song of Praise No. 236**

"All Shall Be Well!"
Stanza 1: *Choir*; Stanzas 2-5: *All*

SONG 46

***The Creed**

The Larger Catechism, Question 52

Minister: How was Christ exalted in His resurrection?

People: **Christ was exalted in His resurrection, in that, not having seen corruption in death, and having the same body in which He suffered really united to His soul, He rose again from the dead the third day by His own power; whereby He declared Himself to be the Son of God, to have satisfied divine justice, to have vanquished death, and him that had the power of it, and to be Lord of quick and dead: all which He did as a public person, the Head of His church, for their justification, quickening in grace, support against enemies, and to assure them of their resurrection from the dead at the last day.**

***A Doxology**

"God's Right Hand and Holy Arm"

K. Lee Scott

Public Confession

O Lord, my every sense, member, faculty, affection, is a snare to me. I can scarce open my eyes but I envy those above me, or despise those below. I covet the honor and riches of the mighty, and am proud and unmerciful to the rags of others. Am I comely? What fuel for pride! Am I gifted? How I lust after applause! Am I unlearned? How I despise what I have not! You know that all these are snares by my corruptions, and that my greatest snare is myself. Keep me ever mindful of my natural state, but let me not forget my heavenly title, or the grace that can deal with every sin.

Private Confession

Song of Confession

"Almighty Father"

B. Harlan

High School Ensemble

Lynda Fray, *Director*; Alex McDonald, *Piano*

Almighty Father, You alone are holy. You are my refuge, I will trust in You. You are a tower, a mighty fortress. You are my strength and shield, You are God. You guide my footsteps that I may not fall. In joy or sorrow, I will exalt You. You are my righteousness, You are God. You are Creator, You are all in all! Yours is the power. Yours is the glory. Yours is the majesty. You are God.

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; the chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, and by His scourging we are healed. All of us like sheep have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; but the Lord has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.

Isaiah 53.5, 6

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

The Rev. David Rea 9:30

The Rev. Elliott Greene 11:00

Musical Offering

"Christ, Our Passover"

Will C. MacFarlane

Libby Ferguson, *Soprano*; Deborah Waterman, *Alto*;

Jonathan Smith, *Tenor*; Robert Waterman, *Bass*

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us: therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over Him. For in that He died, He died unto sin once: but in that He liveth, He liveth unto God. Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Christ is risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that slept. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen!

from the Scriptures

*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: He was wounded for our transgressions. He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

The Service of Friendship

If you are seated on the left end of the pew, please take the Service of Friendship pad, fill out the information and pass it down. When it arrives at the other end of the pew, pass it back, taking note of those who are seated in your row.

Extending the Kingdom: Recognition of Graduating Seniors Mr. Stacey Croft
Director of High School Ministry

***The Scripture Reading** Romans 12.1-8 Kevin Keene
Bethany Bronson

The Morning Sermon "Knowing God's Will" Dr. Ryan
Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—His good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12.1-2

***Closing Hymn No. 699** "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation" CHRIST CHURCH

***Benediction**

Minister: May the God of peace, who through the blood of the eternal covenant brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, equip you with everything good for doing His will, and may He work in us what is pleasing in Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Hebrews 13.20-21

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude "Easter Medley" arr. A. Frackentohl

Do you have a question about PCPC or want to find a Sunday School Community? Following each service, please come to the Information Center located in the south hallway of the building adjacent to the sanctuary. "Ask Me" volunteers are also available at every entrance to assist you.

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of Neil Hamill by Gregg, Sarah, Thomas and Alan Hamill.

**The Congregation stands.*

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MINISTERS

The members of this church family who, in serving their Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ, extend His Kingdom in Dallas and to the world.

"Songs of Thanksgiving"
A Festival of Praise
This Saturday, April 28, 7:30 pm, Sanctuary
Congregational Singing, Orchestra, Chancel Choir
Nielson & Young and Skip Ryan