

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 14, 2002

9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Year: Third Sunday of 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

"Prelude in D Major"
Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ*

J. S. Bach

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

"O Lord Most Holy"
Covenant Choir
Lynda Fray, *Director*
Jonathan Smith, *Piano*; David Fray, *Cello*

Cesar Franck

Minister: I will declare Your name to my brethren in the midst of the assembly; I will sing praise to You!

People: **You, Lord, in the beginning laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. I will put my trust in You and sing praise to Your name!**

from the Psalms

***Resurrection Hymn No. 254 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"**
Stanzas: 1, 2, 3

ODE TO JOY

***Hymn of Adoration** "The Strife Is Over, the Battle Done"

VICTORY
Latin Hymn, c 1695

*Prayer of Adoration

O God of my exodus, great was the joy of Israel's sons when Egypt died upon the shore, **far greater the joy when my Redeemer's foe lay crushed in the dust.** Jesus strides forth as the Victor, Conqueror of death, hell and all opposing might. You burst the bands of death, trampled the powers of darkness down and live forever. **You, my gracious Redeemer, apprehended for payment of my debt, came forth from the prison house of the grave— free and triumphant over sin, Satan and death.** In You I died, **in You I rose,** in Your life I live, **in Your victory I triumph, in Your ascension I shall be glorified for Your Name's sake. Amen!**

*Confession of Faith

The Larger Catechism, Question 52

How was Christ exalted in His resurrection? **Christ was exalted in His resurrection, in that, not having seen corruption in death,** and having the very same body in which He suffered, with the essential properties of being human, 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 the quick and dead: **all which He did as a public person, the head of His church, for our justification, quickening in grace, support against enemies, and to assure us of our resurrection from the dead at the last day.**

*A Doxology

ODE TO JOY

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high!
Alleluia, to the Savior who has gained the victory!
Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity!
Alleluia, alleluia to the Triune Majesty!

Public Confession of Sin

As the psalmist said, I am depressed within. I remember Your promises, but do not believe them. I talk about Your love, but do not live it. I seek Your will, but celebrate mine. I mouth the right words, make the right gestures, yet my endeavors are fruitless. At times I feel I am the sole target of an enemy barrage. I fall like a wounded warrior, bone-weary, defeated, lonely. O Lord, I need You more than I know I need You. Have mercy on me, a sinner. Awaken me to a heart full of joy. Give me strength, courage and security to walk with You in the dangerous and difficult paths before me. Continue with me in Your lovingkindness, even now as I silently confess my sins.

Private Confession of Sin

Song of Faith

"There Is a Redeemer"

K. Green

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Dr. Pete Deison 9:30
The Rev. Paul Settle 11:00

Musical Offering

"Christ, Our Passover"

Will C. MacFarlane

Jane Beasley, *Soprano*; Jonathan Smith, *Countertenor*;

Bryan Varenkamp, *Tenor*; Robert Waterman, *Bass*; Marisa Dillahunty, *Harp*

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!

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; 15:20-22; Romans 6:9-11

***The Greeting of Peace**

Minister: Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you!**

The Service of Friendship

Extending the Kingdom: Billy Graham Mission

Sarah and George Seay

***Responsive Reading**

Isaiah 25:7-9

Leader: On this mountain He will destroy the shroud that enfolds all peoples, the sheet that covers all nations;

People: **He will swallow up death forever. The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears from all faces;**

Leader: He will remove the disgrace of His people from all the earth. The LORD has spoken. In that day they will say,

People: **"Surely this is our God; we trusted in Him, and He saved us. This is the LORD, we trusted in Him; let us rejoice and be glad in His salvation."**

***The Scripture Reading**

I Corinthians 15:24-28; 54-58

The Morning Sermon

"Christ's Sweet Victory"
"Where, O death, is your victory?"
1 Corinthians 15:55

Dr. Ryan

***Closing Hymn**

"Worship Christ, the Risen King"

REGENTSQUARE

Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.
Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid Him, empty now, its mouth declares:
"Death and I could not contain Him, for the throne of life He shares."
Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

We acclaim Your life, O Jesus, now we sing Your victory;
Sin or hell may seek to seize us, but Your conquest keeps us free.
Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

***The Benediction**

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
From Him and through Him and to Him are all things! To Him
be the glory forever!

Romans 11.33, 36

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude

"Fugue in D Major"
Mr. Howland

Bach

Prayer is our communication with GOD. If you have a desire or a need to pray with someone in confidence for any reason, please come to the Parlor (Room 205 next to the information desk) following the worship service where Elders and Prayer Leaders will be available to pray with you.

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in memory of our son and brother Mark Holland Trone by his family, Dr. Tim and Pam Trone, James, Misty and Matt Trone.

The flowers in the south foyer this morning are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Kathy Elaine Sumner Langston and John Wood Randall in celebration of their marriage and union in Christ.

**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.