

# PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD April 21, 2002 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

The Christian Year: Fourth 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

"Fanfares" Mr. Colin Howland, Organ Mouret

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

I. S. Bach/arr. Hopson

"All the Earth Sing Forth" Chapel Choir

Lynda Fray, Director; Robert McDonald, Piano

Minister:

O sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things!

Victory by Him has been won! The Lord has made known

His salvation!

People:

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into

joyous song and sing praises!

\*Hymn of Adoration No. 247 "The Day of Resurrection"

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\*Prayer of Adoration

\*Ezekiel's Dry Bones Give Witness to the Resurrection

Ezekiel 37.1-14

The hand of the LORD was upon me, and He brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD and set me down in the middle of the valley. It was full of bones. And He led me among them, and behold, there were very many and they were very dry. And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" And I answered, "O LORD GOD, You know." Then He said to me, "Prophesy over these bones, and say to them, Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the LORD." And as I prophesied, there was a rattling sound and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And I looked, and behold, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them. But there was no breath in them. Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live. So I prophesied as He commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived and stood on their feet. Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will open your graves and raise you from your graves, O my people. And you shall know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I am the LORD; I have spoken, and I will do it, declares the LORD.

#### \*Confession of Faith

Shorter Catechism No. 28

Christian, what is included in Christ's exaltation? Christ's exaltation includes His rising again from the dead on the third day, in ascending up into heaven, in sitting at the right hand of God the Father and in coming to judge the world at the last day. "For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth. And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another. My heart faints within me." Job 19.25-27

\*A Doxology EBENEZER

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

## Public Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus Christ, surely You have borne my griefs and carried my sorrows; yet I have considered You stricken by God, and afflicted. But You were pierced through for my transgressions, You were crushed for my iniquities; the chastening for my well-being was upon You, and by Your scourging I am healed. Like a sheep I have gone astray, I have turned to my own way; but the Lord has caused my iniquity to fall on You, my blessed Savior.

Private Confession of Sin

"Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God"

The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30 Ella Grace Buell William Ronald Miller III Lauren Wagner Moran Audrey Reid Ratliff Nicholas Miller Saunders Ellen Grace Showalter The Rev. David Winburne 9:30 Dr. Ryan 11:00

11:00 Robert Joseph Huffman Elizabeth Eloise Laird Katherine Tenison Laird Alexandra Jane Lavish Cade Austin McCarter Sumner Bruck Robertson

## Prayer for the Families/Offertory Prayer

"Shepherd of My Heart"

F.P.O'Brien

based on Psalm 98

Musical Offering "Sing to the Lord" C. Cassils Sing to the Lord a song of joy, sing to the Lord, alleluia! Sing to the Lord and praise His name, sing alleluia! Marvelous are the things He's done, victory by Him has been won! Make unto Him a joyful noise, all of the earth, rejoice! Let all the sea and creatures roar, flood waters clap their hands. Let all the hills be

## \*The Greeting of Peace

Minister: We are the body of Christ; in one Spirit we were all baptized in

one body. Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you!

joyful now, joyful before the Lord! Alleluia! Amen!

The Service of Friendship

**Musical Meditation** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" arr. C. Dobrinski

Handbell Choir Mr. Howland, Director

**The Morning Sermon** "The Sting Removed (Outrageously!)" Dr. Ryan

"The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law." 1 Corinthians 15.56

"He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to
life for our justification." Romans 4.25

"Thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through
our Lord Jesus Christ." 1 Corinthians 15.57

\*Closing Hymn "To God Alone All Glory Give!" EIN'FESTEBERG text: from Martin Luther, 1524

Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bonds for our offenses given; But now at God's right hand He stands and brings us life from heaven. Let us sing joyfully! Let us sing thankfully! The night of sin is o'er; the Lord of grace appears. To God alone all glory give! It was a strange and dreadful strife when life and death contended; The victory remained with life, the reign of death was ended. The Scriptures make it plain, that death has finally died; Its sting is lost fore'er, the Christ is victor now. To God alone all glory give!

Here the true Pascal Lamb we see, whom God so freely gave us; He died upon the curs-ed tree - so strong His love! - to save us. See, blood now marks our door, and faith speeds death away; Our foe is powerless, and Jesus reigns above. To God alone all glory give!

#### \*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** "Fanfare for Easter" Walter Pelz Mr. Howland

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 celebration of the 50th Birthday of Knox Fitzpatrick, and in honor of San Jacinto Day, by his family.

The flowers in the south foyer this morning are given to the glory of God from the wedding of Sandra Lee Brown and Christopher Aaron Wittwer 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.

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Center. If assistance is required, ask any usher, who will be
happy to help. At the close of worship, please return the unit
to the Information Center.