

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 18, 2004

9:30 am and 11:00 am

The Christian Year: The First Sunday after the Resurrection

Please turn off all communication devices. Thank you.

Welcome and Greeting of Peace

Preparation for Worship "Let All the World Sing Praise!"

Wright

Carol Choir; Judy Peacock, *Director*

Rachel Duke, *Piano*; Kaitlin O'Hearn and Haden Duke, *Handbells*

Call to Worship

The Rev. Joseph Ryan

Minister: Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

People: **Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!**

1 Corinthians 15.20, 22; 1 Peter 1.3

***Hymn of Adoration**

"All Praise to Christ"

ENGELBURG

text: F. B. Tucker, 1938

***Prayer of Adoration**

***Confession of Faith**

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.**

WCF, LC. 52

***Songs of Praise**

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

DUKE STREET

text: Samuel Medley

I know that my Redeemer lives! What joy this blest assurance gives!
He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my ever-living Head!

He lives triumphant from the grave; He lives eternally to save;
He lives exalted, throned above; He lives to rule His church in love.

He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to plead for me above;
He lives my hungry soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.

He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly Friend; He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing; He lives, my Prophet, Priest and King.

He lives, all glory to His name! He lives, my Savior, still the same;
What joy this blest assurance gives; I know that my Redeemer lives!

"All Heaven Declares"

Richards

Public Confession of Sin

Our Father, although You are a holy God who cannot look upon sin, look upon Christ our Savior and forgive us for His sake. You have promised us that if we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. We ask also that You would give us an increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, so that we may learn the wisdom of Your ways and walk in Your holy paths, for Your glory and the good of our neighbor.

Private Confession of Sin

Promise of the Gospel

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 8.1

The Sacrament of Baptism

9:30

Mason Andrew Farquhar
Grant Hunter Gehlbach
Anna Marie Howland
Abigail Grace Dunn

11:00

Ryer Benjamin Brown
Anne Elizabeth Burke
William Luke Huffman

Prayer for the Families/Offertory Prayer

Mr. John Hawkins 9:30

Mr. Irv Queal 11:00
Shepherding Elders

Musical Offering

"Christ, Our Passover"

Will C. MacFarlane

Fannell Griffin, *Soprano*; Bea Post, *Alto*
Stan Sanders, *Tenor*; Brian Post, *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 firstfruits 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

*A Doxology

OLD HUNDRETH

Christ rises conqu'ror from the grave,
From death returning, strong to save,
With His right hand the tyrant chains,
And paradise for man regains.

All praise is Thine, O risen Lord,
From death to endless life restored;
All praise to God the Father be,
And Holy Ghost eternally.

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.

*The Scripture Reading

Romans 12.1-2

The Morning Sermon

"Discerning God's Will

Dr. Ryan

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Romans 12.1-2

***Closing Hymn**

***Benediction**

Minister: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

People: THANKS BE TO GOD! AMEN!

Postlude

Mr. Colin Howland, Organ

Personal Prayer and Counsel

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor . . . rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality."

Romans 12.10, 12, 13

We want so much to come along side you in brotherly love and hospitality by your allowing us to be in prayer for your salvation or any need you may have. Please join us in the parlor (Room 205, next to the Information Center) following the worship service where our Elders and prayer leaders are available and eager to meet with you and pray with you in complete confidence.

Welcome Visitors! Do you have a question about our church? Our Welcome Team of ushers and greeters are here to help you. Team members are identified by the blue "Welcome" ribbons on their nametag. We encourage you to stop by our Information Center, located in the south hallway adjacent to the Sanctuary, where you will find literature and friendly faces to help you get to know our church family. If you have additional questions, please call 214.224.2743 or 214.224.2736 during office hours, and we will be happy to respond to you as quickly as possible.

The flowers in our worship services this morning are given to the glory of God and in honor of Barbara Ryan on the occasion of her 50th birthday with heartfelt love and thanksgiving by her friends.

***The Congregation stands.**

Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

Tonight in the Sanctuary at 7:00 pm

The King of Instruments
A Program of Masterworks for Organ and Orchestra
featuring
Colin Howland, *Organ*
The Irving Symphony Orchestra
Hector Guzman, *Conductor*