A Praying Community

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church April 8, 2007 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am

Resurrection Sunday

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.

Please turn off all communication devices. Please do not bring food or drinks into the sanctuary. Thank you.

Preparation for Worship

Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a Man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15 20-22

Choral Introit

"Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" Chancel Choir • J. Marty Cope, *Director* Olson

Christ has arisen, alleluia. Rejoice and praise Him, alleluia. For our Redeemer burst from the tomb, even from death, dispelling its gloom.

(Refrain) Let us sing praise to Him with endless joy. Death's fearful sting He has come to destroy! Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!

Go spread the news: He's not in the grave. He has arisen this world to save. Jesus' redeeming labors are done. Even the battle with sin is won. (Refrain)

Christ has arisen to set us free. Alleluia, to Him praises be. Jesus is living! Let us all sing; He reigns triumphant, heavenly King. (Refrain)

Minister: Jesus said, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living

one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore and I have the

keys of death and hades."

Choir: Praise the LORD from the heavens. Praise Him, all His angels;

praise Him, all His hosts!

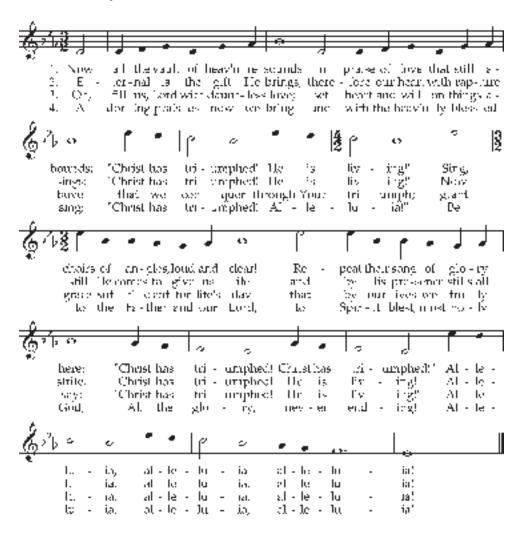
People: (with a great voice) **Christ is risen!**

Minister: Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! (louder) Alleluia!

(louder still) Alleluia!

*Resurrection Hymn "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" LASST UNS ERFREUEN



*Prayer of Adoration concluding with

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!

The Rev. Ron Williams 8:00 Dr. Pete Deison 9:30 The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

Minister: This is the feast of victory for our God. Hallelujah!

People: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be the people of God.

Minister: Power, riches, wisdom and strength and honor, and blessing and

glory are His.

People: This is the feast of victory for our God, Hallelujah!

Choir: Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all cre-

ation.

People: (with a loud voice) Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God

and the Lamb forever. Amen!

Minister: This is the feast of victory for our God. Hallelujah!

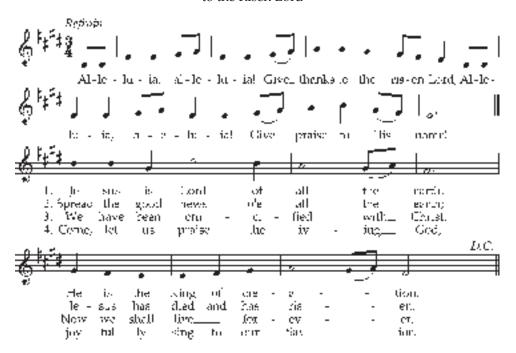
Women: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain.

Men: For the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Hallelujah!

All (with a great voice) This is the feast of victory for our God. Hal-

lelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!





Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

Almighty God, You have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned Him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before Him or acknowledged His rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give Him the glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be Your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is Head of the church, His body.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

Righteousness will be counted to us who believe in Him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification. Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 4.24-5.1



Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Williams 8:00 Dr. Deison 9:30 Mr. Lamberth 11:00

Musical Offering "Let the World in Every Corner Sing" R. Vaughan Williams The Chancel Choir • Mr. Cope, Director

Let all the world in every corner sing, my God and King. The heavens are not too high, His praise may thither fly; the earth is not too low, His praises there may grow. The Church with Psalms must shout, no door can keep them out: but above all, the heart must bear the longest part.

*Easter Greeting of Peace

Minister: But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been

brought near by the blood of Christ. Christ Himself is our peace.

He is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

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

Luke 24.13-35

That very day two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14 and they were talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15 While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus Himself drew near and went with them. 16 But their eyes were kept from recognizing Him. ¹⁷ And He said to them, "What is this conversation that you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still, looking sad. 18 Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" 19 And He said to them, "What things?" And they said to Him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a Man who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20 and how our chief priests and rulers delivered Him up to be condemned to death, and crucified Him. ²¹ But we had hoped that He was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things happened. 22 Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning, ²³ and when they did not find His body, they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that He was alive. ²⁴ Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but Him they did not see." ²⁵ And He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into His glory?" ²⁷And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, He interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.

²⁸ So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if He were going farther, ²⁹ but they urged Him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So He went in to stay with them. ³⁰ When He was at table with them, He took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. ³¹ And their eyes were opened, and they recognized Him. And He vanished from their sight. ³² They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the Scriptures?" ³³ And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, ³⁴ saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵ Then they told what had happened on the road, and how He was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Morning Sermon

"But Him they did not see"

Mr. Davis



*An Easter Blessing

Minister: Grace and peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and

who is to come, from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead and the ruler of the kings of the

earth.

People: To Him who loves us, and has freed us from our sins by His

blood, and has made us to serve His God the Father—to Him

be glory and power forever and ever.

Choir: He is the First and the Last. He is the Living One. He was dead,

but behold, He is alive forever and ever!

Minister: Alleluia!

All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!

*Choral Ascription

"Hallelujah Chorus"

G. F. Handel

Closing Voluntary

"Toccata from Symphony No. 5" Mr. Colin Howland, *Organ* Widor

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God, who gave His only Son, and in thanksgiving for precious Alexandra on the occasion of her 21st birthday by Mom, Dad and Audrey.

^{*}The congregation stands.