ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church April 4, 2010 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.

Preparation for Worship

"Cortege et Litanie"

Dupre

Choral Introit

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives"

Southern Traditional

Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: This is the good news—the grave is empty; Christ is risen!

People: Hallelujah!

Minister: This is the good news—the light shines in the darkness, and the

darkness can never put it out.

People: Hallelujah!

Minister: This is the good news—once we were no people; now we are

God's people.

People: Hallelujah!

Minister: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain to receive power and wealth

and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise.

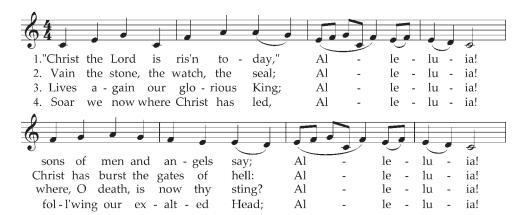
Christ is risen!

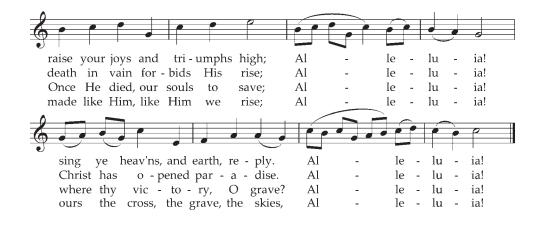
People: (with a great voice) He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

*Resurrection Hymn

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN





*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. He bursts the bands of death, tramples the powers of darkness down and lives forever. Adorable Redeemer, You, who were lifted up upon a cross are ascended to highest heaven. You, who as man of sorrows, were crowned with thorns, are now as Lord of life wreathed with glory. Once, no shame more deep than Yours, no agony more bitter, no death more cruel. Now, no exaltation more high, no life more glorious, no advocate more effective. Your death is my life, Your resurrection my peace, Your ascension my hope, Your prayers my comfort.

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.

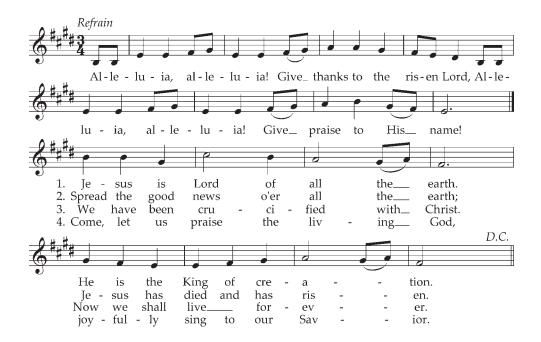


This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit. Christ is the head of the body, the church and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

based on 1 Corinthians 15.3-7; Colossians 1.15-20

*Hymn of Praise "Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord" ALLELUIA NO. 1



Please be seated.

Public Confession of Sin

O Lord, I marvel that You purposed to become flesh so that You might be crucified, dead, and buried for me. The tomb calls forth my adoring wonder, for it is empty and You are risen! Grant me to die with You that I may rise to new life, for I wish to be as dead and buried to sin, to selfishness, to the world; that I might not hear the voice of the charmer, and might be delivered from his lusts. Purge me from selfishness, pride, the fear of man, the desire to be conformed to this world. Grant me to stand with my dying Savior, to be content to be rejected, to be willing to hold to unpopular truths. Grant me more and more of the resurrection life: may it rule me, may I walk in its power, and be strengthened through its influence.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Comfort of the Gospel

"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15.55-57

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Davis

Musical Offering

"Light's Glittering Morn"
Chancel Choir • Brian C. Post, Baritone

Parker

J. Marty Cope, Director

Light's glittering morn bedecks the sky; Heav'n thunders forth its victor cry; the glad earth shouts her triumph high, and groaning hell makes wild reply, while He, the King, the mighty King despoiling death of all its sting and trampling down the pow'rs of might brings forth His ransomed saints to light.

That Eastertide with joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light, when to their longing eyes restor'd the Apostles saw their risen Lord: He bade them see His hands, His side, where yet the glorious wounds abide; those tokens true which made it plain their Lord indeed was risen again.

O Jesu, King of gentleness, do Thou Thyself our hearts possess; that we may give Thee all our days, the tribute of our grateful praise.

O Lord of all with us abide, the strife is o'er, the battle done, in this our joyful Eastertide, the victory of life is won, from ev'ry weapon death can wield, Thine own redeemed forever shield. The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!

All praise be Thine, O risen Lord, from death to endless life restored; all praise to God the Father be, and Holy Ghost eternally. Alleluia! Amen!

*Reading of the Scripture

Luke 24.36-53

³⁶ As they were talking about these things, Jesus Himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace to you!" ³⁷ But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. ³⁸ And He said to them, "Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? ³⁹ See My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Touch Me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." ⁴⁰ And when He had said this, He showed them His hands and His feet. ⁴¹ And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, He said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" ⁴² They gave Him a piece of broiled fish, ⁴³ and He took it and ate before them.

⁴⁴ Then He said to them, "These are My words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, ⁴⁶ and said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰ Then He led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up His hands He blessed them. ⁵¹ While He blessed them, He parted from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped Him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, ⁵³ and were continually in the temple blessing God.

The Morning Sermon

"Adoring Wonder"

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!

Closing Voluntary

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

 $*The\ congregation\ stands.$

The flowers today are given to the glory of God!

ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN!

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

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 alongside 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 (north of Fellowship Hall) 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.

Tonight's Evening Service 6:00 pm in Oak Lawn West

Mr. Jeremy Weese "Fear and the Brave New World" Mark 16:1-8

Home Worship Guide

This page is to help you get started worshipping in your home. For more ideas and in-depth resources, be sure to check out the PCPC website by going to the Family Worship link on the pcpc.org home page. The Family Worship site is under development, so keep checking back for new updates!

What is home worship?

Home worship is time set aside to love, adore, and enjoy our Heavenly Father in our homes and with our families.

Who is home worship for?

Everyone! If you belong to Christ, He wants you to know the joy of spending time with Him daily. Home worship is for children, parents, couples, singles, grandparents, empty-nesters, anyone who is a child of the King!

When and where should we have home worship?

Do your best to schedule a regular time. Make it part of your routine. That way, everyone who participates will know when it is supposed to happen. Some good times are:

- 1. First thing in the morning right after breakfast;
- 2. At the dinner table immediately following the meal;
- 3. Right before bedtime.

If you are just beginning to try home worship, try this once or twice a week. If you already are doing it once or twice a week, try to increase the frequency. Ultimately, you will enjoy your Heavenly Father the most when you spend the most time with Him! Resources for daily worship will be available at worship.pcpc.org.

How do we do home worship?

- 1. How do I know what to do? There is a simple order in this worship bulletin to help guide you. Home worship is simply an extension and simplification of what happens in corporate worship every Sunday morning. Use your experience on Sunday mornings to guide you in worshipping at home. The elements of worship taken from Sunday mornings into the home are praise, prayer, and reading and learning the scriptures. If a family is able, singing is encouraged. If not, no big deal! Be flexible in adapting this guide to suit the needs of your family situation. Home worship also offers the opportunity to ask questions, give prayer requests, and have discussion in ways which do not happen in corporate worship.
- 2. *How long should it take?* No more than 10 or 15 minutes. If your family loves to go longer, then go longer!
- 3. How do I deal with wiggly children? Make parts of home worship wiggly! Move while you are singing, act out the scripture reading, ask the discussion questions while taking a family walk. Be creative and your children will love it. Be sure to teach the discipline of listening. See worship.pcpc.org for more ideas for families with young children!
- 4. *How do I get help?* Contact one of our pastors or elders. Check out the PCPC website.

Daily Prayer Guide

Monday: Pray for one another (What's happening this week? Any sickness? Problems? If able, share with one another some area in your life in which God wants you to grow. Confess sins to one another)

Tuesday: Pray for your relatives and friends

Wednesday: Pray for those in authority: President Obama, government officials, local leaders, teachers at school.

Thursday: Pray for people you know who don't know Jesus.

Friday: Pray for the Church around the world, for missionaries, for the extending of God's Kingdom.

Saturday: Pray for PCPC, for the pastors and elders, the deacons and staff members. Pray for those who are sick and in need of care. Pray for the worship which is going to take place on Sunday morning.

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of April 4, 2010

Praise

Prayer of Adoration (saying all together)

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (sing or say these words together)
Verse 1 (please see page 1)

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: Luke 24.36-53

(one person read the scripture aloud)

Questions for Discussion (may be answered in one worship time, or spread over several times)

- 1. Why do you think the disciples were startled and afraid? (24.36-37)
- 2. What is significant about Jesus asking for something to eat? (24.42-43)
- 3. Why did Jesus tell them to touch Him?
- 4. Why did Jesus say, "Everything written about Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled"? Can you think of specific things that were said about Christ that have been fulfilled?

Questions for older children:

- 5. What does it mean—"The tomb calls forth my adoring wonder"?
- 6. Take some time to be still and consider all that Christians have celebrated during Holy Week.

Scripture Memory (memorize this verse of Scripture this month)

1 Corinthians 15.55-57

"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer

(Additional prayer ideas may be found on page seven of the bulletin)

Prayer: (saying all together)

O glorious risen Lord, we praise You that in Your victory we triumph too. Since You are raised, we too will be raised. Because You live and reign forever, we too will live forever with You. Thanks be to God for this indescribable gift!

Hymn: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Verse 4 (please see page 1)