

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Park Cities Presbyterian Church
April 24, 2011
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 "Trumpet Tune in A Major"

Johnson

Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation!

People: **Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

Minister: Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor, radiant in the brightness of your King! Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever!

People: **Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

Minister: Rejoice, O church! Exult in glory! The risen Savior shines upon you! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the mighty song of all God's people! Jesus Christ is risen from the dead!


People: **He is risen indeed! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! HALLELUJAH!**

Adapted from the Exultet, a hymn originating c. 5th-7th century.


***Resurrection Hymn**

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN



1. "Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day," Al - le - lu - ia!
2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al - le - lu - ia!
3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!



sons of men and an - gels say; Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Al - le - lu - ia!
where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
fol - I'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - le - lu - ia!



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - le - lu - ia!
 death in vain for - bids His rise; Al - le - lu - ia!
 Once He died, our souls to save; Al - le - lu - ia!
 made like Him, like Him we rise; Al - le - lu - ia!



sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

***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!

***New Testament Witness to the Resurrection**

Acts 2.22-36

Minister: "Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves know —

People: This Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised Him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for Him to be held by it.

Minister: For David says concerning Him, "I saw the Lord always before me, for He is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope. For You will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let Your Holy One see corruption. You have made known to me the paths of life; You will make me full of gladness with Your presence.'

People: "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption.

Minister: This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

People: For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "'The Lord said to my Lord, sit at My right hand, until I make Your enemies Your footstool.' Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."



1. All praise to Christ, our Lord and King di - vine, _____
 2. Christ came to us in low - li - ness of thought; _____
 3. The mind of Christ is as our mind should be: _____
 4. And so we see in God's great pur - pose how _____
 5. Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord, _____

_____ yield - ing His glo - ry in His love's de - sign, _____
 _____ by Him the out - cast and the poor were sought, _____
 _____ He was a ser - vant, that we might be free, _____
 _____ Christ has been raised a - bove all crea - tures now, _____
 _____ in heaven and earth, that Je - sus Christ is Lord, _____

_____ that in our dark - ened hearts His _____
 _____ and by His death was our re - _____
 _____ hum - bling Him - self to death on _____
 _____ and at His name shall ev - ery _____
 _____ and God the Fa - ther be by _____

_____ grace might shine: _____ Al - le - lu - ia!
 _____ demp - tion brought: _____ Al - le - lu - ia!
 _____ Cal - va - ry: _____ Al - le - lu - ia!
 _____ na - tion bow: _____ Al - le - lu - ia!
 _____ all a - dored: _____ Al - le - lu - ia!

Please be seated.

Confession of Sin

The Rev. Julian Russell 8:00

The Rev. Patrick Lafferty. 9:30

The Rev. Bill Lamberth 11:00

O Divine Redeemer, great was Your goodness in undertaking my redemption, in consenting to be made sin for me, in conquering all my foes. Great was Your love in manifesting Yourself alive, in showing Your sacred wounds, that every fear might vanish, and every doubt be removed. Great was Your mercy in ascending to heaven in being crowned and enthroned there to intercede for me, there to help me in temptation, there to open the eternal book, there to receive me finally to Yourself. Great was Your wisdom in devising this means of salvation; bathe my soul in rich consolations of Your resurrection life. O God, pardon all my sins, known and unknown, felt and unfelt, confessed and not confessed, remembered or forgotten. Help me to be a holy, happy person, free from every wrong desire, from everything contrary to Your mind. 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

*Hymn of Praise

“Before the Throne of God Above”

Cook

1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair, and tells me
3. Be - hold Him there, the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect
strong, a per - fect plea, a great High Priest whose name is
of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see Him
spot - less Right - eous - ness, the great un - change - a - ble I
Love who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is
there who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the
Am, the King of glo - ry and of Grace. One with Him -
gra - ven on His hands. My name is writ - ten on His
sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed
self, I can - not die. My soul is pur - chased with His
heart. I know that while in heav'n He stands no tongue can
free. For God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on
blood. My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my
bid me thence de - part; no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
Sav - ior and my God, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God.

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Russell 8:00
Mr. Lafferty. 9:30
Mr. Lamberth 11:00

Musical Offering

“Psalm 46”

Beck

Chancel Choir • Brian Piper, Conductor

God is our refuge and strength; a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth be removed and the mountains be carried away to the very midst of the sea; though the waters roar and the mountains quake at His majesty. There is a river, the streams whereof shall make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacle, the holy place of the Lord. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved. He shall defend her from the night through the dawn. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Be still and know that I am God: I will be exalted above all nations, I will be exalted upon the earth. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. God sent His Son to save, He triumphed o'er the grave. All glory to His name, from age to age the same: His Kingdom is forever. For ever and ever, Amen. Alleluia.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20 When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I am sending you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

24 Now Thomas, one of the Twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into His side, I will never believe."

26 Eight days later, His disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." 27 Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe."

28 Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" 29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

30 Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in His name.

The Morning Sermon

"So That You May Believe"

Mr. Davis

***Choral Ascription**

"Hallelujah Chorus"

G. F. Handel

***Hymn of Triumph**

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA



1. Crown Him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on His throne; hark!
2. Crown Him the Lord of love; be - hold His hands and side, rich
3. Crown Him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scep - ter sways from
4. Crown Him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time; Cre -



how the heav'n-ly an - them - dawns all mu - sic but its own: a -
wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied: no
pole to pole, that wars may - cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise: His
a - tor of the roll - ing - spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime: all



wake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, and
an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight, but
reign shall know no end; and round His pierc - ed feet fair
hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for Thou hast died for me: Thy



hail Him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
flow'rs of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

*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!**

Postlude

“Toccata from Symphony No. 5”
Colin Howland, *Organ*

Widor

**The congregation stands.*

Participating in this morning's services:

*Crucifer Bearer: Eliot McClure
Festival Brass*

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

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.

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.

Music printed by permission: CCLI #364068

SERMON NOTES

John 20.19-31

“So That You May Believe”

Order of Worship for the Home – The Week of April 24, 2011

Praise

Call to Worship (*everyone together*)

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Sound the trumpet of salvation! Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels! Exult, all creation around God's throne! Jesus Christ, our King, is risen! Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor, radiant in the brightness of your King! Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever!

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" (*sing or say these words together*)

Please refer to opening hymn in the service

Hearing and Learning God's Word

Scripture Reading: *John 20.19-31 (one person read the Scripture aloud)*

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

1. What does Jesus say three times in John 20.19-31?
2. Why do you think He says this phrase?
3. What did Thomas demand to see? Why?
3. What does John tell us is the purpose of this book?

Questions for older children

1. How can we know the peace Christ offers?
2. Do you ever have doubts? What are they?
3. What does Jesus say to Thomas after he believes?
4. Why do you think He says this?

Scripture Memory for April (*memorize these verses of Scripture this month*)

Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Prayer

Prayer (*saying together*)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil; for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.