



*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.*

PARK CITIES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
May 3, 2020 • *Fourth Sunday of Easter*

**ORDER FOR THE  
WORSHIP OF GOD**

9:30 a.m.

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**Prelude**                      “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”                      *WARRENTON*  
   Stephen Nielson, *piano*                      *arr. Nielson & Young*  
   Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

**Welcome and Call to Worship**    The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples!

**All:        For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness  
              of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!**                      Psalm 117

**Hymn**                                      “I Know That My Redeemer Lives”                                      *SHOUT ON*

I know that my Redeemer lives—glory, hallelujah!  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives—glory, hallelujah!

Refrain:

Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground—glory, hallelujah!  
The dead's alive and the lost is found—glory, hallelujah!

He lives, He lives, who once was dead—glory, hallelujah!  
He lives, my everlasting Head—glory, hallelujah! (Refrain)

He lives, to bless me with His love—glory, hallelujah!  
He lives to plead for me above—glory, hallelujah! (Refrain)

He lives, all glory to His name!—glory, hallelujah!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same—glory, hallelujah! (Refrain)

**Prayer of Adoration**    Mr. Davis

**Profession of Faith**    The Rev. Paul Goebel

**The Lord Jesus,  
by His perfect obedience and sacrifice of Himself—  
which He through the eternal Spirit once offered up to God—  
has fully satisfied the justice of His Father.  
He purchased not only reconciliation  
but also an everlasting inheritance  
in the kingdom of heaven  
for all those whom the Father has given to Him.**

*Westminster Confession, Chapter 8, Section 5*

**Musical Meditation**

“On the Other Shore”  
Will Hughes, *vocalist*

*arr. Kohn*  
*African-American Spiritual*

**Children’s Sermon**

Danny Stimson

**Public Confession of Sin**

Mr. Goebel

**O Divine Redeemer,  
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 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.  
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.**

**Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel**

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—and raised us up with Him and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. *Ephesians 2.4-6*

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Prayer of Intercession**

Andrea and Danny Stimson

**Musical Meditation**

“Fear Not”

*Jamie Rankin*

William R. Park, *vocalist* • Dr. Davy, *conductor* • Chancel Choir  
(originally recorded in our services on August 26, 2018)

*Fear not, for I am with you. Be not dismayed, for I am your God. And I will help you, I will strengthen you, I will uphold you with My victorious right hand.  
Fear not, for I am your God.  
Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, “My way is hidden from the Lord?” Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God! The creator of the ends of the earth.  
The Lord is the everlasting God! The creator of all the earth. He does not faint or grow weary. He gives power to the weak, and to him that has no might: He increases his strength.  
Even youths shall faint and grow weary. Young men shall fall exhausted. But they who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; shall mount up with wings like eagles; and they shall run and not grow weary; they shall walk and not faint!*

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came.

<sup>25</sup> 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."

<sup>26</sup> 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."

<sup>27</sup> 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."

<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!"

<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book;

<sup>31</sup> 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 Sermon**

"Unless I See...I Will Never Believe"

Mr. Davis

**Closing Hymn**

"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"  
Fernando Ortega, vocalist

NETTLETON  
arr. Ortega

(originally recorded in our services on October 13, 2019)

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love;  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

**The Benediction**

Minister: Increase, O God, the spirit of neighborliness among us, that in peril we may uphold one another, in suffering tend to one another, and in homelessness, loneliness, or exile befriend one another. Grant us brave and enduring hearts that we may strengthen one another, until the disciplines and testing of these days are ended, and You again give peace in our time; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

*Book of Common Prayer*

**Postlude**

"Fanfare"  
Dr. Davy, organ

J. Lemmons



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## **SERMON NOTES**

John 20.24-31  
“Unless I See...I Will Never Believe”