



*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 17, 2020 • *Sixth Sunday of Easter*

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

9:30 a.m.

Prelude

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” *arr. Nielson & Young*
Stephen Nielson, *piano* • Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

Welcome and Call to Worship

The Rev. Mark Davis

Minister: He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place
where He lay. Christ is risen!

Matthew 28.6

All: *(with a great voice)* **Christ is risen indeed!**
Alleluia. Alleluia! ALLELUIA!

Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” *EASTER HYMN*
(originally recorded in our services on April 21, 2019)

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today,” Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav’ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids His rise; Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll’wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise: Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

Prayer of Adoration ending with the Lord’s Prayer

The Rev. Paul Goebel

**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 King-
dom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Musical Meditation “With a Voice of Joy” *Patti Drennan*
Chancel Choir • Stephen Nielson, *piano* • Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*
J. Marty Cope, *conductor* • Brass and Percussion Ensemble
(originally recorded in our services on October 27, 2019)

With a voice of joy, with a song of triumph, with a voice of joy I will praise the Lord. My song in the night, I walk in His light; with a voice of joy I will praise the Lord.

Why should I despair; why should I be afraid when God is my strength, His majesty arrayed? His loving kindness is mine; He is my rock and my shield. In the presence of my enemies His power is revealed. based Psalm 42.4-8

Public Confession of Sin

Mr. Goebel

**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.
O Lord, there is much ill about me—
crucify it,
much flesh within me—
mortify it.
Purge me from all my sins,
known and unknown.
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

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. Colossians 2.13-14

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

Prayer of Intercession

Mr. Goebel

Musical Meditation “Let the Words of My Mouth” *Ortega*
Fernando Ortega, *piano/vocal* • Cara Fox, *cello*
(originally recorded in our services on October 13, 2019)

- Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.*
- ¹⁹ *(This He said to show by what kind of death He was to glorify God.) And after saying this He said to him, "Follow Me."*
- ²⁰ *Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them, the one who also had leaned back against Him during the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray You?"*
- ²¹ *When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?"*
- ²² *Jesus said to him, "If it is My will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow Me!"*
- ²³ *So the saying spread abroad among the brothers that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is My will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"*
- ²⁴ *This is the disciple who is bearing witness about these things, and who has written these things, and we know that his testimony is true.*
- ²⁵ *Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.*

The Sermon

THE RESURRECTION LIFE
"You Follow Me!"

Mr. Davis

Closing Hymn

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"
(originally recorded in our services on October 1, 2017)

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How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away,
As wounds, which mar the Chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart; His wounds have paid my ransom.

The Benediction

Minister: Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Hebrews 13.20-21

All: Thanks be to God! Amen.

Postlude

"Finale" from *Symphony 2*
Dr. Davy, organ

Charles-Marie Widor



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SERMON NOTES

John 21.18-25

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