



Traditional Service The Resurrection of the Lord



March 31, 2024

The Service for the Lord's Day

WE GATHER

PRELUDE "Cantus Invenilis" (Youthful Song)

Valerie Stephenson

Chancel Ringers

I. "Gloria in excelsis Deo"

II. "Et in terra pax hominibus", from *Gloria* RV 589

Antonio Vivaldi

Chancel Choir and Elysium Strings and Brass

WELCOME

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

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*Please stand if you are able.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

*GATHERING HYMN

#123

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

WE CONFESS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

**The stone is rolled away! We assume it is a mistake. The angels say, "He is not here!"
We assume their news is fake. The women tell the story, but we do not want to hear it.
Peter runs to the tomb, but we do not understand. Forgive us, God, for thinking an
empty tomb is nothing more than a prank. Forgive us for seeing discarded burial cloths
and still holding tight to death. Forgive us for pushing away reasons to hope when you
are alive and well in the world. Teach us to see what you see. Unravel the threads of our
unbelief. Through Christ we pray; Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

WE LISTEN

CHILDREN'S SERMON

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SPECIAL MUSIC IV. "Gratias agimus tibi"

V. "Propter magnum gloriam", from Gloria RV 589

Antonio Vivaldi

Chancel Choir and Elysium String Quartet

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-12

Judy Smullen

Leader: The word of the Lord;

People: Thanks be to God.

“Not Among the Dead”

WE RESPOND

MOMENT FOR SILENT REFLECTION

*SERMON HYMN

#118

The Day of Resurrection!

LANCASHIRE

1 The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
From this world unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

3 Now let the heavens be joyful,
Let earth the song begin,
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen
Their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen,
Our joy that hath no end.

2 Our hearts be pure from evil,
That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal
Of resurrection light;
And listening to His accents,
May hear, so calm and plain,
His own “All hail!” and, hearing,
May raise the victor strain.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (from 1 Corinthians 15)

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER

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.

CALL FOR OFFERING

Call to Give

Offertory VII. "Domine Fili Unigenite", from *Gloria* RV 589

Antonio Vivaldi

Chancel Choir and Elysium Strings

Domine Fili unigenite, (Praise O Lord, the only-begotten Son,) *Jesu Christe*. (Jesus Christ.)

*Doxology

#592

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

*SENDING HYMN

#144

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

HYFRYDOL

Verse 1 - all, Verse 2 - upper voices, Verse 3 - lower voices, Verse 4 - all

1 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus
His the scepter, His the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph,
His the victory alone!
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion
Thunder like a mighty flood;
Jesus out of every nation
Hath redeemed us by His blood.

3 Alleluia! Bread of angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay.
Alleluia! Here the sinful
Flee to Thee from day to day.
Intercessor, Friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

2 Alleluia! Not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now.
Alleluia! He is near us;
Faith believes, nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received Him,
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget His promise,
"I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! King eternal,
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia! born of Mary,
Earth Thy footstool⁴, heaven Thy throne.
Thou within the veil hast entered,
Robed in flesh our great High Priest;
Thou on earth both priest and victim
In the Eucharistic feast.

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE XI. "Quoniam tu solus Sanctus"

XII. "Cum Sancto Spiritu", from *Gloria* RV 589

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