8:45 A.M. ORDER OF WORSHIP April 16, 2023 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

PRELUDE: "Voluntary in D (Larghetto) – W. Boyce

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRIEF ORDER OF CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

During the Confession you may either stand or kneel as you are able.

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P: In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen

- P: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- P: Most merciful God,
- C: we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart: we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen
- P: Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: AMEN.

GATHERING HYMN: "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"



- 1 Come, you faith ful, raise the strain of tri um phant glad ness!
- 2 'Tis the spring of souls to day: Christ has burst his pris on,
- 3 Now the queen of sea sons, bright with the day of splen dor,
- 4 Nei ther could the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark por tal,
- 5 Al le lu ia! now we cry to our Lord im mor tal,



from sad - ness, God has brought forth Is - ra - el in joy to ris - en. and from three days' sleep in death as sun has a ren - der: with the roy - al feast of feasts comes its joy to nor the watch - ers, nor the seal, hold mor - tal: you as a who tri - um - phant burst the bars of tomb's dark por - tal; the



Pha-raoh's bit - ter yoke Ja - cob's sons and daugh-ters; loosed from fly - ing All the win - ter of our sins. long and dark, is af - fec - tion who with true glad Jer - u - sa - lem, comes to a - mong your own, be - stow - ing to - day, ap - pear, but you le - lu - ia! with the God Fa ther prais - ing; Son the



through the led them with Red Sea wa - ters. un - moist - ened foot from the Light to whom we give laud and praise un - dy - ing. wel-comes in un - wea - ried strain Je sus' res - ur - rec - tion! hu - man know - ing. your deep peace, which ev - er - more pass es Al - le - lu - ia! yet a - gain to Spir - it rais - ing. the

Text: John of Damascus, c. 696-c. 754; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: Johann Horn, 1490–1547

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APOSTOLIC GREETING:

- P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C. And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE:



PRAYER OF THE DAY:

- P. The Lord be with you
- C. And also with you.
- P. Let us pray

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith in you and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

READINGS FOR TODAY

FIRST LESSON: Acts: 2:14a, 22-32 see back of bulletin

PSALM 16 - Spoken responsively, the Lector speaks the verses in regular print and congregation speaks the verses in **bold** print.

¹Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."

²All my delight is in the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.

³But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.

⁴I will not pour out drink offerings to such gods, never take their names upon my lips.

⁵O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.

⁶My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a rich inheritance.

⁷I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me night after night.

⁸I have set the LORD always before me; because God is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

⁹My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.

¹⁰For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the pit.

You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SECOND READING: 1 Peter 1:3-9

see back of bulletin

Please stand as you are able

GOSPEL: The Holy Gospel according to St. John 20:19-31

see back of bulletin

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading of the Gospel:

- P. The Gospel of the Lord"
- C. Praise to you O Christ.

Sit

SERMON:

Pastor Marjorie McDaniel

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY: "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"



APOSTLES' CREED:

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Marv.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen

Please stand as you are able

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

A. United in the hope and joy of the resurrection, let us pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

A: Hear us, O God.

C: Your mercy is great.

P. Rejoicing in the victory of Christ's resurrection, we lift our prayers and praise to you, almighty and eternal God; through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Amen.

SHARING OF THE PEACE:

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always

C: And also with you

Please share the PEACE of the Lord with one another.



PRESENTATION OF THE OFFERING:

(The offering is presented as the Offertory is sung by the congregation.)



OFFERTORY PRAYER:

- A. Merciful Father,
- C. we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

COMMUNION LITURGY

P. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. We trust and teach the "real presence" of Jesus, in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.



Please stand as you are able

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

C: Amen.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

A. Let us pray. We give you thanks almighty God that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift – in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: Amen

BENEDICTION:

- P. Now may God, who has loved us with a love beyond all telling, send us forth to care for the world around us and to share the good news of that love, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C. Amen.

SENDING HYMN: "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen"



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DISMISSAL:

- A. Go in peace! Serve the Lord!
- C. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE: Voluntary in D (Vivace) – W. Boyce

Today's altar flowers are given by Dave & Diane Parsons in honor of their 51st wedding anniversary.