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March 31, 2013
Easter Sunday


Second
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

He Is Risen!

BRASS AND ORGAN PRELUDE: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" . . . Sterling Procter

✦CALL TO WORSHIP Ronald G. Sadlow

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

It is meet and right so to do.

For Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

✦PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 277 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" EASTER HYMN

✦READING FROM THE EPISTLES: I Corinthians 15:12-20 Michael G. Stokke
(page 961 in pew Bible)

This is the Word of the Lord.

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✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE EASTER HYMN

**Sing we to our God above: Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

CHORAL PRAISE: "He Is Risen" arr. Mack Wilberg
*text by Cecil Francis Alexander, 1846
music by Joachim Neander, 1680*

"He is risen, He is risen!"
Tell it out with joyful voice.
He has burst His three day prison;
Let the whole wide earth rejoice.
Death is conquered, man is free,
Christ has won the victory.

Come with high and holy singing,
Chant our Lord's triumphant song!
Not one darksome cloud is dimming.
Yonder glorious morning ray,
Breaking over the purple east,
Symbol of our Easter feast.

He is risen, He is risen!
He hath opened Heaven's gate:
We are free from sin's dark prison,
Risen to a holier state;
And a brighter Easter beam
On our longing eyes shall stream. Amen.

*The Chancel Choir
Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music*

We Exalt Him!

READING FROM THE PROPHETS: Isaiah 25:1, 6-9 T. Barton Kimbro

O Lord, you are my God;
I will exalt you; I will praise your name,
**for you have done wonderful things,
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.**

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.

And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.

**He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.**

It will be said on that day,
"Behold, this is our God;
we have waited for him, that he might save us.

**This is the Lord; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."**

CHORAL RESPONSE: "Te Deum" John Rutter
text based on Apostles' Creed by Augustine and Amrbose, 387 AD

We praise Thee, O God: we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship Thee: the Father everlasting.
To Thee all angels cry aloud: the heav'ns, and all the pow'rs therein.
To Thee cherubim and seraphim continually do cry,
Holy, holy, holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise Thee.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise Thee.
The noble army of martyrs praise Thee.
The holy church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee;
The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honorable, true and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

When Thou tookest upon Thee to deliver man,
Thou didst not abhor the virgin's womb.
When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God in the glory of the Father.
We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray Thee, help Thy servants,
Whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify Thee;
And we worship Thy Name ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us; have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Thy mercy lighten upon us as our trust is in Thee.
O Lord, in Thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

READING FROM THE ACTS: Acts 10:34-43 Richard G. Cain
(page 919 in pew Bible)

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Thanks be to God.

✦HYMN OF PRAISE: No. 295 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" DIADEMATA

We Serve Him!

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Dan G. Burns

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "Alleluia! Christ Is Risen" William Mathias
Opus 91, No. 3
text by Christopher Wordsworth

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise;
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He, who on the cross a victim, for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.

Christ is risen! Christ, the first fruits of the holy harvest field,
Which will all its full abundance at His second coming yield;
Then the golden ears of harvest will their heads before Him wave,
Ripened by His glorious sunshine from the furrows of the grave.

Christ is risen, we are risen! Shed upon us heavenly grace,
Rain and dew and gleams of glory from the brightness of Thy face;
That we, Lord, with our hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be,
And by angel hands be gathered, and be ever safe with Thee.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory be to God on high;
Alleluia! to the Savior, who has gained the victory;
Alleluia! to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity;
Alleluia! Alleluia! to the Triune Majesty.

✦CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE LLANFAIR

**Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**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!**

✦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION D. Todd Erickson

✦GREETINGS

We Proclaim Him!

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN A. Mitchell Moore

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER Timothy L. Russell

**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.**

READING FROM THE GOSPELS: Mark 16:1-8.Gerry A. Peak
(page 853 in pew Bible)

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

**The grass withers, the flower fades,
but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen.** (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

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PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

✦HYMN OF SUPPLICATION: "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"LASST UNS ERFRUEN

**That Easter day with joy was bright;
The sun shone out with fairer light; Alleluia! Alleluia!
When to their longing eyes restored,
Th'apostles saw their risen Lord.
Alleulia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**His risen flesh with radiance glowed,
His wounded hands and feet He showed; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Those scars their solemn witness gave
That Christ was risen from the grave.
Alleulia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**O Jesus, King of gentleness,
Do Thou Thyself our hearts possess, Alleluia! Alleluia!
That we may give Thee all our days
The willing tribute of our praise.
Alleulia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**O Lord of all, with us abide
In this, our joyful Eastertide; Alleluia! Alleluia!
From ev'ry weapon death can wield
Thine own redeemed forever shield.
Alleulia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

✦BENEDICTION

✦CHORAL PRAISE: "Hallelujah Chorus"G.F. Handel
Text from Revelation 11:15 and 19:6, 16

Hallelujah! for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become
The kingdom of our Lord, and of His Christ;
And He shall reign for ever and ever.

King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!

ORGAN POSTLUDE: "Toccatà from Symphony V"C.M. Widor

✦Indicates congregation standing CCLI License #252778

We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.