

WESTMINSTER  PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH

Service for the Lord's Day

The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 21, 2019 7:30 a.m.

GATHERING

(Silence during the Prelude is requested in preparation for worship.)

PRELUDE

Easter Fanfare

Gerald Bales

The Trumpet Shall Sound

G.F. Handel/arr. Hopson

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! Michael Burkhardt
(GELOBT SEI GOTT)

Fantasy on "O Sons and Daughters"

Walter Pelz

Toccata on GAUDEAMUS PARITER

James Biery

Worthy is the Lamb

G.F. Handel/arr. Hopson

CHORAL INTROIT

Sing for Joy

Hal Hopson

Sing for joy, oh heaven!
Sing for joy, oh earth,
for the Lord has triumphed!
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us worship God!

(Those who are able may stand.)

The Lord is risen! Alleluia!

Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Remember all that Jesus has said and done;

In Christ the promises of God are fulfilled.

***PRAYER OF ADORATION**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

**Glory to you, O God:
on this day you won victory over death,
raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.**

**Glory to you, O Christ:
for us and for our salvation you overcame death
and opened the gate to everlasting life.**

**Glory to you, O Holy Spirit:
you lead us into the truth.**

Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 232**

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

CALL TO CONFESSION

The proof of God's amazing love is this:

While we were sinners, Christ died for us.

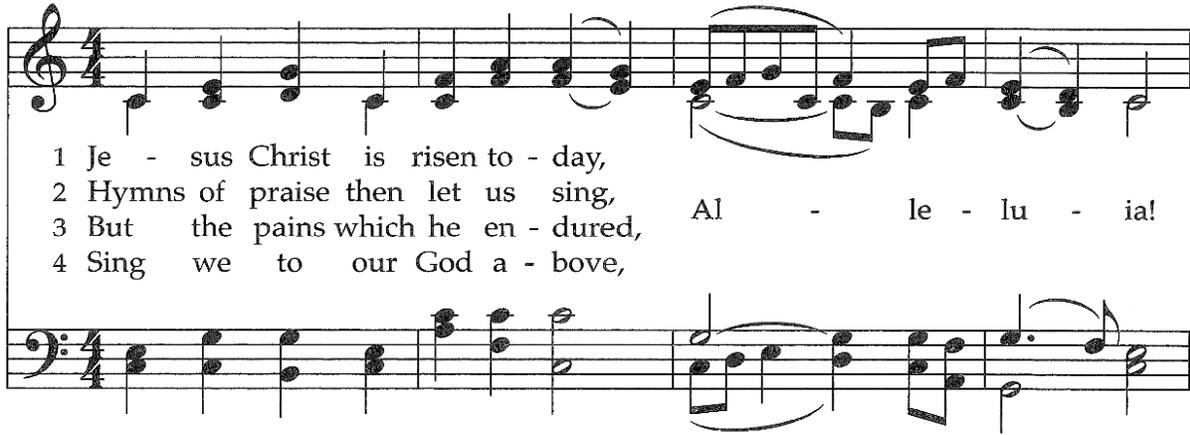
Because we have faith in him,

we dare to approach God with confidence. *(Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16)*

In faith and penitence,

let us confess our sin before God and one another.

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1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured,
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



our tri - um-phant ho - ly day,
un - to Christ, our heaven-ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
praise e - ter - nal as God's love.



who did once up - on the cross,
who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky he's King,
Praise our God, ye heaven-ly host,

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Lord, you are our strength and our might;
you have become our salvation. Alleluia!
We praise you, living God.
We who were dead have been raised with Christ,
and we seek the things that are above, where Christ is.
We do so imperfectly, Lord –
bearing wounds of our own,
hindered by doubt and fear,
unsure where to look for you,
still tempted to sin.
The prophets testify that everyone who believes in you
receives forgiveness of sins through your name.
This day we rejoice in the pardon and hope you give to us.
Dry our tears, O God.
Speak to us a word that reveals your presence.
Open to us the gates of righteousness
that we may enter through them,
giving thanks and praise to you.**

(Silent confession)

Kyrie *(Sung responsively by the choir and congregation)* Hal H. Hopson

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

(The liturgist pours water, which reminds us of our baptism.)

Believe the Good News: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

***The Peace**

Since God in Christ has forgiven us, let us also forgive one another.
The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

(Please exchange the peace with the words, “The peace of Christ be with you.”)

*(The congregation sings the **Refrain** with the choir.)*

Refrain:



The Word of the Lord lasts forever. What is the Word that is living?
It is Jesus Christ, who is risen from the dead. **Refrain.**

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Hear the Word of God! **Our ears are open.**

Isaiah 65:17-25 (*Old Testament, page 696 in your pew Bible*)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

Refrain:

This is the day the Lord has made, let us re -
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 joice and be glad; _____ This is the day the
 lu - ia! _____ Al - le - lu - ia, Al -
 Lord has made, let us re - joice and be glad! _____
 le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! _____

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good: his mercy endures forever;
 Let the house of Israel say: "His mercy endures forever."

The hand of the Lord has struck with pow'r, his right hand is exalted,
 I shall not die, but live anew, declaring the works of the Lord.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,
 the Lord of love and mercy has brought wonder to our eyes!

Luke 24:1-12 (*New Testament, page 90 in your pew Bible*)

SERMON "You need some dazzle in your life!" Donovan Drake

(A moment for meditation)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

**In life and in death we belong to God.
 Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 the love of God,
 and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
 we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,**

whom alone we worship and serve.
We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

(From A Brief Statement of Faith)

THE EUCHARIST

OFFERING

Anthem

Philip W.J. Stopford

Christ the Lord is risen again, Christ hath broken every chain.

Hark, angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

He who gave for us his life, who for us endured the strife,
is our Paschal Lamb today; we too sing for joy, and say Alleluia!

He who bore all pain and loss comfortless upon the cross,
lives in glory now on high, pleads for us and hears our cry.

He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save;
now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, thy ransomed people feed;
take our sins and guilt away: let us sing by night and day,

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia...

***DOXOLOGY**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PREPARATION OF THE LORD'S TABLE**

***INVITATION**

***GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy...
and is risen to raise us to new life.

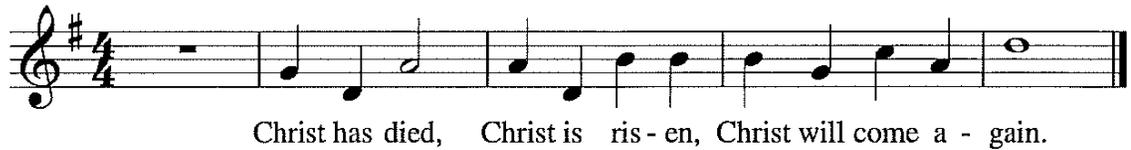
Therefore we praise you,
singing with angels and archangels,
and with all the faithful of every time and place,
to the glory of your mighty name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord...
God of pow - er and might... Heav - en and earth are
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na
in the high - est! Bles - sed is he who comes, he who
comes in the name of the Lord... Ho - san - na, ho -
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est!

(The congregation may be seated.)

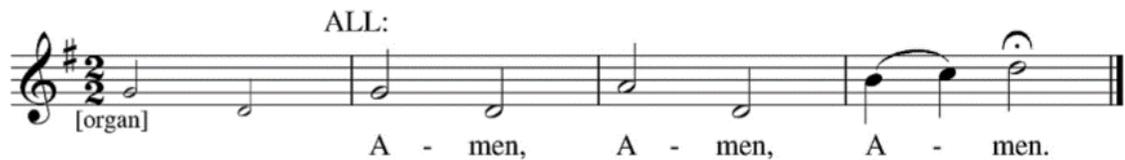
You are holy, O God of majesty...
to be a living and holy sacrifice, dedicated to your service.

So we proclaim the mystery of faith:



Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit...
and we feast with him at the banquet of heaven.

Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,
now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Singing together*)

*(Please refer to the inside back cover of your hymnal for
the words and music for this hymn.)*

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Music during Communion

This Joyful Eastertide

Andrew Clarke

Anthem This Is the Feast of Victory FESTIVAL CANTICLE
Arr. Richard Hillert

*(The congregation is invited to sing the **Refrain** with the choir.)*

Refrain: This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb, who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God. **Refrain.**

Power, riches, wisdom, and strength,
and honor, blessing, and glory are his. **Refrain.**

Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation. **Refrain.**

Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen. **Refrain.**

For the Lamb who was slain
has begun his reign. Alleluia! **Refrain.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

“Hallelujah” from *Messiah*

G.F. Handel

*(The congregation joins the choir in singing this work
by using the printed music found in the pew hymnal racks.)*

POSTLUDE Chorale Fantasy on “Christ the Lord Has Risen” Flor Peeters

**(Those who are able may stand.)*

*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God
and by an appreciative member of the congregation
with love and thanksgiving for the members of the Flower Guild,
who throughout the year grace our Sanctuary
with beautiful floral arrangements: Heidi Anderson, Drake Calton,
Elizabeth Farmer, Cathey Fuqua, Susan Isaacs, Lena Levendoski,
Britton Nielsen, Katie Sturdivant, Anne Trabue,
Barbara Cannon Wall, and Dena Williamson.*

SERVICE NOTES

WORSHIP LEADERS: Liturgist: Rachel Penmore, Associate Pastor for Young Adults and Young Families; Lay liturgist: Bob Cooper.

MUSICIANS: *Brass Ensemble:* Pat Kunklee and Joel Treybig, Trumpet; Leslie Norton, French Horn; David Loucky, Trombone; Gilbert Long, Tuba; and Sam Bacco, Percussion. Janet Briggs, Cantor; Laudate Youth Choir; John W. Semingson, Director of Music Ministries; Polly Brecht, Organist.

USHERS: Nat Harden, Clara Scott Harden, Paige Harden, Ty Harden, Elizabeth Minkoff, Ed Branding. *Should a congregant need assistance at any time during the worship service, please contact one of the ushers in the Narthex or Parlor.*

COMMUNION: The Presbyterian Church (USA) practices “open Communion” without regard to denominational affiliation. All who are truly sorry for their sins and seek to become more faithful to Christ are welcome at the Lord’s Table. Westminster celebrates the “Eucharist,” meaning “thanksgiving,” on the first Sunday of each month, on the first Sunday of each liturgical season, and on every Sunday during the Season of Easter, except Baptism Sundays.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: Westminster Presbyterian Church welcomes you to share our common journey to become more faithful disciples of Christ. Our love and acceptance of each other affirm the inherent worth and dignity of every person, regardless of our differences, and bear witness to the love of God for all people and our commitment to Christ.

ASSISTIVE HEARING DEVICES AND LARGE-PRINT BULLETINS are

available from Ushers. **Please tune hearing devices to channel 4.** If you would like to take a hearing device home with you, please contact Paul Webb in the church office at 615.292.5526.

THE RED ROSE IN THE CHANCEL this morning gives glory and thanksgiving to God for the birth of a son, Graham Parker, born on April 14, 2019 to Mollie and Blake Brookshire, and proud big brother, Dean.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING: Since 1949, Presbyterians have joined with millions of other Christians through *One Great Hour of Sharing* to share God's love with people experiencing need. Our gifts support ministries of disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen their families and communities. Offering envelopes are available in the pew literature racks.

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THE CHURCH WILL CLOSE TODAY AT 2:00 P.M. and also will be closed tomorrow, Easter Monday, April 22, 2019. Regular office hours will resume at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2019.

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