

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

ST. ANDREWS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

APRIL 9, 2023

10:00 AM



GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

WELCOME

OPENING VOLUNTARY

Thine Is the Glory
Chancel Bells

George Frideric Handel
Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

†CALL TO WORSHIP

What are you looking for?

The light before dawn.

What are you looking for?

A reason to hope.

What are you looking for?

Joy after grief and flowers after winter.

What are you looking for?

A place to belong.

What are you looking for?

We are looking for the Messiah.

Good news! Come in. Love is alive!

Surely God is in this place.

†HYMN 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Chancel Bells and Organ

EASTER HYMN
Arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

CONFESSING OUR SIN

God of resurrection, We confess, like a dog with a bone, we run aimlessly.

We chase our tails, looking for things that provide answers

to the suffering of the world, looking for comfort to our longest nights.

You meet us in the darkness before dawn,

but we mistake you for the gardener.

Forgive us for seeking after worldly things.

Forgive us for forgetting to seek you.

Speak to us. Call us by name, that we might recognize you in our midst.

With hope and gratitude we pray,

Silence is kept for personal prayers of confession.

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

So hear and believe the good news of the gospel, the good news proclaimed in resurrection:

What once was lost is found.

We are held in God's loving embrace: forgiven, claimed, and sent to serve. Alleluia! Amen.

WELCOME

The service begins with the first note of the Opening Voluntary.

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

† When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit, as able.

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

With this beloved Easter hymn we are invited to finally sing "Alleluia!" after refraining from the word during the season of Lent.

SILENCE

The time of silence allows you to speak or listen to God as you best need this morning.

†**JOYFUL RESPONSE 240** *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* ALLELULIA #1
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.
Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

HEARING GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Phyllis Bearden
SCRIPTURE READING Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Pew Bible p. 534 (OT)
MUSICAL OFFERING *He Is Not Here!* Russell Nagy
Text: Joel Nagy
SCRIPTURE READING John 20:1-18 Pew Bible p. 108 (NT)
SERMON *Seeking: Who Are You Looking for?* Rev. Camille LeBron Powell

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

†**HYMN 238** *Thine Is the Glory* JUDAS MACABEUS
Refrain after last verse only

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR ANNA MARIE, ALLISON NICOLE AND CHARLIE LEE BRILLING

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Song of Welcome

Anna, Allison, and Charlie, we name you:
And with thanksgiving, offer our prayer and sing you this song.
We are the church, your spiritual family.
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.
Children we all are, of God the creator;
Risking and loving, daring to see
The heavenly kingdom growing among us.
Sing we our praises to Christ the Lord.

SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS OF GOD'S CHURCH, COMMUNITY & WORLD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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 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.

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

SCRIPTURE RESPONSE

After each scripture reading the reader will say, "The Word of the Lord." All are invited to respond, "Thanks be to God."

MUSICAL OFFERING

Russell Nagy is a composer of both sacred and secular music; his compositions range from choral octavos to film scores, marching band arrangements to full-length musicals.

THINE IS THE GLORY

This Easter text was written to fit the music of Handel's composition in 1884. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

APOSTLES' CREED

This ancient creed, which has its roots in Pentecost, states central mysteries without precisely explaining them. The early church originally used this creed responsively at baptism. Its current form was fixed through efforts of Charlemagne in 814.

SONG OF WELCOME

We will welcome the newly baptized by singing words to the tune BUNESSAN. This Gaelic melody is known from the hymn, *Morning Has Broken*.

†Offertory Response

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

†Prayer of Dedication

GOING TO SERVE GOD IN THE WORLD

†HYMN 246

Christ Is Alive!

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†BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

Hallelujah

George Frideric Handel

CHRIST IS ALIVE!

In 1968 Easter fell ten days after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., and this text was written to express an Easter hope while mindful of that terrible event. The music and lyrics still move worshipers while affirming the presence of a wounded, risen Christ with all who suffer.

BENEDICTION IN MUSIC

The text for today's Benediction in Music is based on Revelation 19:6, 16

CHURCH STAFF

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CALENDAR

Sunday, April 9th

8:30 AM Worship in the Garden
9:00 AM Easter Fellowship
Egg Hunt
Sunday School (Zoom)
10:00 AM Worship

Monday, April 10th

Church Office Closed
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Tuesday, April 11th

7:00 PM Education Ministry

Wednesday, April 12th

12:30 PM Lunch & Learn
7:00 PM Management Ministry
7:30 PM Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 13th

Friday, April 14th

9:00 AM Church at Prayer
8:00 PM AA/ALAnon

Saturday, April 15th

11:00 AM Memorial Service for
Don Compton

Sunday, April 16th

9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Worship
1:00 PM Session Meeting

PRAYER CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

If you have a prayer concern, please complete a Prayer Request Card, and place it in the offering plate. Please update the office about any changes in the condition of your loved ones.

Margaret Williams on the death of her sister

Rev. Kate Colussy-Estes on the death of her father

Marco and Jonathan Compton on the death of their father.

Marcia Noble's daughter, Michelle

Robert Hall

In the Nursing Home, Home Care, or Assisted Living:

Millie Ball at home

Peggy Benedict at home

Elinor Bryan Westminster Village

Henry Tribble The Villages

Ron Weber at home, **Betty Weber**
Camelia Place

WELCOME

We invite you to join St Andrews, a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (USA), in ministry and in worship.

Please note your presence on the list in the narthex so that members of our church family may welcome you. Your presence is a joy for us.

The Nursery, located in the Parlor in the Narthex, has two dedicated child-care volunteers who will stay with young children during worship. For school age children, the PRAYground is available, near the front of the sanctuary, offering educational and interactive materials.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers Today The flowers in the sanctuary this morning have been purchased in honor or memory of loved ones of this congregation. Excess funds contributed to the purchase of the Easter flowers will be used to help with the maintenance and beautification of the flower beds and church grounds. Any flowers left in the sanctuary after the today's service will be distributed to members and friends who are at home or otherwise unable to worship with us here regularly.

Food Drive We are collecting food for NETWorks' food pantry in the Narthex and in the breezeway by the office.

A Digital copy of this bulletin and the notes for today's music are available on our website accessible by scanning this code.



Sunday School Children ages 5-12 are invited to attend Sunday School starting Sunday, April 16th at 9:00 AM in Room 117 in the Education Building. Younger children may be dropped off in the nursery, starting at 8:45 AM (and picked up after the 10:00 AM worship service concludes.) Adults and Youth are welcome to enjoy a time of informal fellowship and coffee in the narthex or proceed to the Meeting Room for the Fidelis class, at 9:00 AM.

Office Closed The church office will be closed on Monday, April 10th.

Parking Lot Rental Our east parking lot has been rented next week, April 11-14. Heffner Hall is also rented all day on April 14th. All staff and volunteer parking will be in the west parking lot, by Heffner Hall those days.

Lunch and Learn will meet on Wednesday, April 12th at 12:30 PM on Zoom.

Presbyterian Women The PW will meet on Tuesday, April 18th at 10:00 AM in the Meeting Room and on Zoom. All of the women of St. Andrews are invited to attend.

All-Church Walk Save the Date for a fun all-church walk on Saturday, April 22nd.

As one part of the church of Jesus Christ, we are inspired and guided by Christ's vision of God's realm – one that includes all who seek to love God and neighbor.

St. Andrews Presbyterian Church welcomes all people, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, economic situation, family status, mental or physical abilities to become part of the membership and ministry of the church.

We welcome all of each of you.

Approved and adopted by the Session of St. Andrews, August 2019