Easter Sunday April 4, 2021

Gathering God invites us to enter His presence

Prelude Thine Is the Glory Scott
Low in the Grave He Lay Ritter

Welcome & Announcements

Preparation for Worship (Time for Silent Preparation)

Call to Worship

Barb Finch

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

his love endures forever.

In our anguish we cried to the LORD, and he answered by setting us free. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

his love endures forever.

The LORD is our strength and our song; he has become our salvation. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

his love endures forever.

We will not die but live, and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

his love endures forever.

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;

The LORD has done this; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Let us worship the Triune God. Amen.

Invocation

Barb Finch

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.

Hymn 217 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia! Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Offering Thankful of the gifts God has given us, we offer ourselves to Him

Invitation As we come before God with our tithes and

offerings, let us remember the words of Micah 6:

What does the Lord require of us?

To act justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with our God. Thus we bring our money, gifts, and whole

lives as an offering to our God.

Offering

*Please place your offerings in the plate in the back of the church on your way out

Offertory The Power of the Cross with

Lift Hight the Cross arr. Tornquist

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Prayer of Dedication

Almighty and most merciful God, from you comes every good and perfect gift. We give you praise and thanks for all your mercies. Your goodness has created us, your bounty has sustained us, your discipline has chastened us, your patience has borne with us, your love has redeemed us. Give us a heart to love and serve you, and enable us to show our thankfulness for all your goodness and mercy by giving up ourselves to your service and cheerfully submitting in all things to your blessed will, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

Cantata

We Shall Behold Him by Craig Adams

Come Behold Medley

Cornerstone, In Christ Alone, Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

(Congregation join singing In Christ Alone)

In Christ alone, my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song.
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What height of love what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease;
My Comforter, my all in all; Here in the love of Christ I stand.
No guilt in life, no fear in death; This is the power of Christ in me.
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Til He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

At Calvary

Gary Covert Solo; Choir

We Shall Behold Him

Worship the Risen King Finale

Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Crown Him with Many Crowns, O Worship the King, All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name, and How Great Thou Art

(Congregation join in singing)

Christ the Lord is Risen Today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply, Alleluia! Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne; Hark! how the heav'nly anthems drowns All music but its own; Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee, And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

O worship the King, all glorious above, And gratefully sing His wonderful love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

All hair the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all; Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him Lord of all.

The sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How great Thou art! How great Thou art!

Piano: Linda Gyrath Singers: Adrienne Boyance, Carol Covert, Robin Miller, Pamela Johnson, Gary Covert, Pat Adams, Dan Baker Narrator: Susan Obenschain

<u>Proclaiming</u> God speaks to us through His Word

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

15 Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ² and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³ For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰ But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹ Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

Sermon "Resurrected Christ"
Rev. Tim Latham

Responding We respond to God's Word

¶ Hymn 225

Worship Christ the Risen King

Rise, O Church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; Resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the Risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid Him, Empty now, its mouth declares; "Death and I could not contain Him, For the Throne of Life He shares." Come and worship, come and worship, Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble, See the stone removed with pow'r; All hell's minions may assemble But cannot withstand His hour. He has conquered, He has conquered, Christ the Lord, the Risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, Scoffers mock and sinners jeer; But the truth proclaims a wonder Thoughtful hearts receive with cheer. He is risen, He is risen, Now receive the Risen King!

We acclaim Your life, O Jesus, Now we sing Your victory; Sin or hell may seek to seize us But Your conquest keeps us free. Stand in triumph, Stand in triumph, Worship Christ, the Risen King! A-men.

Benediction & Blessing

Postlude

Ride On in Majesty!

Paxton