First Presbyterian Church of Kirkwood

11:00 A.M.
Sunday, April 12, 2020

Easter Sunday

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Welcome and Announcements

Organ Prelude  
“Fanfare”  
William Mathias

We Address Ourselves to God

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Call to Worship

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever!

People: His steadfast love endures forever!  
The Lord is my strength and my might;  
the Lord is our salvation!

Leader: Let us enter the gates of righteousness;  
let us enter and give thanks to the Lord.

People: This is the Lord's doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.  
This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice in it and be glad!

Leader: Let us rejoice and be glad!  
Let us worship the Lord!

Hymn

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”  
Hymn No. 232

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (The people joining)

God of glory and eternal life, we give you thanks for the gifts you give all people through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Forgive us for all the ways we deny his Life the ability to be at work in us. Forgive us for being skeptical and not trusting in the promise you have for us. Open the tombs of our hearts and call forth Life from whatever is dead within us. Fill us with the Life of the Risen Christ. In Jesus’ name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confessions

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Confession

“We Are Forgiven”  
We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

The Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us share that peace with one another.
We Hear God's Word

First Reading
Jeremiah 31:1-6
Pew Bible, O.T., pg. 733

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Solo
"Empty Now" Joseph M. Martin
There is a manger far away where once a tiny child was laid, where angels sang and shepherds bowed, long ago, far away, the manger is empty now.
There is a temple far away where once a teacher went to pray. He spoke of truth to an angry crowd, long ago, far away, the temple is empty now.
There is a cross far away where once a Lamb for sin was slain. A crown of thorns adorned His brow; the cross is empty now.
There is a tomb far away where once the Lord of Life was laid. Come and see His linen shroud. Alleluia! The tomb is empty now! Alleluia!

Second Reading
John 20:1-18
Pew Bible, N.T., pg. 114

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon
"He Is Risen” The Rev. Dr. David Holyan

We Respond to God's Word

Hymn
"Thine Is the Glory” Hymn No. 238

Pastoral Prayer

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.

Offertory Sentences

Offertory Solo
"Awake Thou That Sleepest” GF Handel
Awake, thou that sleepest, arise from the dead; arise, and Christ shall give thee light.
But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first-fruits of them that sleep.
For Christ is risen from the dead; He hath triumphed over death and the grave.

Prayer of Dedication

We Depart to Serve the Lord

Hymn
"The Strife Is O'er” Hymn No. 236
Benediction

Organ Postlude

“Toccata” (Symphony V)  
Charles Marie Widor

Worship Leaders:  The Rev. Dr. David Holyan, Pastor  
The Rev. Dr. Karen Blanchard, Associate Pastor

Music Ministry:  Debra Hillabrand, soloist;  
Bill Stein, Director of Music Ministries

Thank you for worshipping with us.

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The live-streamed Wednesday noon services will continue in the weeks following Easter.
232  Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Jesus Christ is risen today,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing,
3 But the pains which he endured,
4 Sing we to our God above,

our triumphant holy day,
unto Christ, our heavenly King,
our salvation have procured.
praise eternal as God’s love.

who did once upon the cross,
who endured the cross and grave,
Now above the sky he’s King,
Praise our God, ye heavenly host,

suffer to redeem our loss,
sinners to redeem and save.
where the angels ever sing.
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
238  Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is

2 Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly

3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught

the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment
he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness
without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors

rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes
hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth;
through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan

Refrain

where thy body lay.
death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glory, risen, conquering
to thy home above.

This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio Joshua and moved to Judas Maccabæus in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

TEXT: Edmond Louis Buxby, 1884; trans. R. Birch Hoyle, 1923, alt.
MUSIC: George Frederick Handel, 1748
Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
The Strife Is O’er

Refrain (before stanza 1 and after stanza 4)

1 The strife is o’er, the battle done; the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun.
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions hath dispersed; let shouts of joy outburst.
3 The three sad days are quickly sped; Christ riseth risen Head!
4 Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee, from death’s dread sing to thee: Alleluia!

Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

TEXT: Latin hymn, c. 1695; trans. Francis Pott, 1861
MUSIC: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1591; adapt. William Henry Monk, 1861
2020 Easter Flower Dedications

Anonymous
In celebration of the First Presbyterian Staff

Anonymous
In celebration of James Madison

Bruce Buckland
In celebration of Laura Enghauser

Gerald & Helena DeWulf
In memory of Maurice and Jane DeWulf

Debbie Goldfarb
In memory of Peter Dwyer, my nephew

Judy Rawlins Livingstone Klutho
In memory of Jim Kluthe, husband; Dr. and Mrs. G.A. Rawlins, parents; and
Robert Rawlins, brother

Dick & Barb Smith
In memory of Pat Smith and Dick Heinrichs

Virginia Ulmer
In memory of David F. Ulmer and Nathaniel O’Reilly