

**SERVICE of WORD and PRAYER**  
*from With One Voice*

THE PRELUDE  
ANNOUNCEMENTS  
INVOCATION

HYMN: "Christ Is Risen! Alleluia" vs 1,3,4

**April 19, 2020**



**131 Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!**

1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!  
2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad - ness Of our Lent - en fast is o'er,  
3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row That last eve - ning round him lay  
4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er Death or hell shall us en - thrall;

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!  
Through the o - pen gates of glad - ness He re - turns to life once more;  
Now has found a glo - rious mor - row In the ris - ing of to - day.  
Be we Christ's, in him for - ev - er We have tri - umphed o - ver all.

Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him As his light once more ap - pears;  
Death and hell be - fore him bend - ing See him rise, the vic - tor now,  
See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, Spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;  
All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion Of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;

Bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, Ris - ing up from griefs and tears.  
An - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, Glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.  
He was dead, but now is liv - ing; He was lost, but he is found.  
Hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

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*Refrain*

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic -

to - rious head! Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ is ris - en from the dead!

### THE GREETING & DIALOG

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

The word is near you,

**on your lips and in your heart.**

If you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord,

**and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead,**

**you will be saved.**

Faith comes from what is heard,

**and what is heard comes through the word of Christ.**

### SCRIPTURE SONG

*Refrain*

Sal - va - tion be - longs to our God and to  
Christ the Lamb for - ev - er and ev - er.

Great and won - der - ful are your deeds, O God of the u - ni - verse;  
just and true are your ways, O Rul - er of all the na - tions.

*Refrain*

Who can fail to hon - or you, Lord, and sing the glo - ry of your name?

For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One. All

na - tions will draw near and wor - ship be - fore you.

*Refrain*

for your just and ho - ly works have been re - vealed.

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

Almighty God, we have celebrated with joy the festival of our Lord's resurrection. Graciously help us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen.**

TEMPLE TALK: *Weekend Food Program*

CLARINET SOLO: "Lord of the Dance"

Flowers

Devonee Woods

Anna

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:14a, 22-32

<sup>2</sup>But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them:  
<sup>22</sup>“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—<sup>23</sup> this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. <sup>24</sup> But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power.  
<sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him,

<sup>1</sup> I saw the Lord always before me,  
 for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;  
<sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced;  
 moreover my flesh will live in hope.  
<sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,  
 or let your Holy One experience corruption.  
<sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the ways of life;  
 you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’  
<sup>29</sup> “Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.  
<sup>30</sup> Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,  
 ‘He was not abandoned to Hades,  
 nor did his flesh experience corruption.’  
<sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

THE PSALM *Psalms 16*

<sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;  
 I have said to the LORD,  
 “you are my Lord, my good above all other.”  
<sup>2</sup>**All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,  
 upon those who are noble among the people.**  
<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods  
 shall have their troubles multiplied.  
<sup>4</sup>**Their libations of blood I will not offer,  
 nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.**  
<sup>5</sup>O LORD, you are my portion and my cup;  
 it is you who uphold my lot.  
<sup>6</sup>**My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;  
 indeed, I have a goodly heritage.**  
<sup>7</sup>I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel;

my heart teaches me night after night.  
<sup>8</sup>**I have set the LORD always before me;  
 because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall.**  
<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;  
 my body also shall rest in hope.  
<sup>10</sup>**For you will not abandon me to the grave,  
 nor let your holy one see the pit.**  
<sup>11</sup>You will show me the path of life;  
 in your presence there is fullness of joy,  
 and in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 1:3-9

<sup>3</sup>Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, <sup>4</sup> and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, <sup>5</sup> who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. <sup>6</sup> In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, <sup>7</sup> so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. <sup>8</sup> Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, <sup>9</sup> for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: “Word of Life”

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes.

Staff 1: Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!

Staff 2: Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!

Staff 3: Our hearts burn with - in us while you o - pen to us the Scrip - tures.

Staff 4: Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all glo - ry to you!

Staff 5: Word of life, Je - sus Christ, all praise to you!

## THE GOSPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20<sup>th</sup> chapter.

### Glory to you, O Lord.

#### THE GOSPEL

John 20:19-31

<sup>19</sup>When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup>Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."<sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup>If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup>But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup>So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup>A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."<sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe."<sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"<sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup>Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup>But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN: "We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight" vs 1,2,3,4

## We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight 675

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with  
2 We may not touch your hands and side; nor  
3 Help then, O Lord, our faith is done, and  
4 That, when our life is done, and in

gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as  
fol - low where you trod; in your prom - ise  
may our faith a - bound to call on you when  
realms of clear - er light we may be - hold you

none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."  
we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"  
you are near and seek where you are found:  
as you are, with full and end - less sight.

#### THE SERMON

Seminarian William Strand



Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

Sisters and brothers, rejoice. Mend your ways, encourage one another, Agree with one another, live in peace.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**And also with you.**

**THE OFFERING**

**THE OFFERTORY: "Glory to You, God" vs. 2**

*(Advent to Transfiguration)*  
*(Lent to Pentecost)*  
*(Season after Pentecost)*

**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.  
 Gracious God,

**in the abundance of your steadfast love, you call us from death to life, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts we offer ourselves to you, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

We pray to the living Lord who came to his frightened, locked in disciples, and gave them peace.

*(After each petition)*

Lord in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

With bold confidence in your peace which passes human understanding, we offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ, our Risen Lord who taught us to pray:

**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 trespasses,**

**as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us;**

**and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom,**

**and the power, and the glory,**

**forever and ever. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN: "Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen" vs 1,4,5  
 674 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -  
 2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter tell - ing the  
 3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es; life in the  
 4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent: death put a -  
 5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, gold - en Je -

sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb,  
 sto - ry to our eyes; break - ing our bread,  
 Spir - it the fruit of the tree; heav - en to earth,  
 sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing:  
 ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, riv - er of life.

heav - en for - ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!  
 giv - ing us glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.  
 Christ to the peo - ple, gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.  
 "O grave, be o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dom us in light.  
 saints and arch - an - gels, sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

*Refrain*

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - rise:

Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

THE DISMISSAL  
 THE POSTLUDE