

## CHRIST IS RISEN!

As you enter the Sanctuary, please assume a quiet and respectful attitude of worship.

Please silence your mobile devices.

<b>PRAYER</b>	OF	PREPA	AR/	ATION

You are invited to pray the following prayer as you prepare for worship.

Almighty God, who through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

ORCHESTRAL PRELUDE: "Overture" from Easter Oratorio . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . J.S. Bach

Praise our God, all you his servants,

you who fear him, small and great.

For Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

♦PROCESSIONAL HYMN: No. 277 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" . . . EASTER HYMN

 OLD TESTAMENT READING
 Job 19:23-27

Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

Oh that with an iron pen and lead they were engraved in the rock forever!

For I know that my Redeemer lives, and at the last he will stand upon the earth.

And after my skin has been thus destroyed, yet in my flesh I shall see God, whom I shall see for myself, and my eyes shall behold, and not another.

My heart faints within me!

\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE ...... EASTER HYMN

Sing we to our God above: Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia! Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to Christ.



Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

The Chancel Choir Gabriel C. Statom, Director of Music SECOND EPISTLE READING: I Corinthians 15:50-58...... A. Mitchell Moore

All flesh is grass, and all its beauty is like the flower of the field;

The grass withers, the flower fades,

but the Word of our God will stand forever. Amen. (Isaiah 40:6b, 8)

## CHORAL RESPONSE:

O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?

The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

# WE ADORE HIM!

APOCALYPTIC READING: Revelation 5:11-14......T. Barton Kimbro

 DOXOLOGY
 OLD HUNDREDTH

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. Amen.

#### PRESENTATION OF GIFTS TO OUR RESURRECTED SAVIOR

Worthy is the Lamb that was slain,

And hath redeemed us to God by His blood,

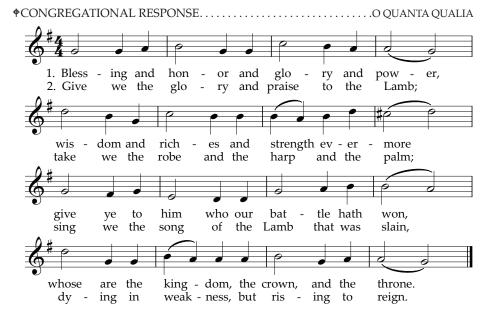
To receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength,

And honour, and glory, and blessing.

Blessing and honour, glory and power,

Be unto Him that sitteth upon the throne,

And unto the Lamb, for ever and ever. Amen.



♦PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION . . . . . . . . D. Todd Erickson

**†**GREETINGS

## WE PROCLAIM HIM!

A WORD TO THE CHILDREN (8:00, 9:30)

OUR EASTER MORNING PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER . . . . . Gerry A. Peak

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.

**SERMON** 

What a Morning, Indeed

Sanders L. Willson

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

 †HYMN OF GLADNESS: "Alleluia! Alleluia!"
 HYMN TO JOY



- 1. Al le-lu-ia! Al le-lu-ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic-es raise;
- 2. Christ is ris-en, Christ the first-fruits of the ho ly har-vest field,
- 3. Al le-lu-ia! Al le-lu ia! Glo-ry be to God on high;



sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise: which will all its full a-bun-dance at his sec-ond com-ing yield: al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior, who has won the vic - to - ry;



he who on the cross a vic-tim for the world's sal - va-tion bled, then the gold-en ears of har-vest will their heads be - fore him wave, al - le - lu - ia to the Spir-it, fount of love and sanc-ti - ty.



Je - sus Christ, the King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead. rip-ened by his glo-rious sun-shine from the fur-rows of the grave. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia to the Tri-une Maj-es - ty.

#### **†BENEDICTION**

\*CHORAL PRAISE: "Hallelujah Chorus"G. F. HandelText from Revelation 11:15 and 19:6, 16

Hallelujah! for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth.

The kingdom of this world is become The kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; And He shall reign for ever and ever.

King of kings, and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!

♦ Indicates congregation standing

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We consider it a privilege to have our children in worship with us. If your small children become restless and vocal, we invite you to the children's room especially designed for them at the rear of the Sanctuary. They are also welcome in the nursery. Older children should also be encouraged to come to church prepared to stay in their pew throughout the service.