

ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION & WORSHIP OF GOD

Easter Day~The Resurrection of the Lord; April 4, 2021, 9:00 A.M. & 10:30 A.M.

Nursery is provided for children aged three and under. The Cry Room located off the foyer is available, if needed for nursing mothers and moms with young children, at any time during worship. A simultaneous broadcast of the service is provided in the room. Children aged four through first grade will be dismissed following the Gloria.

The sounding of the bells is the call for meditation and prayer as we prepare to worship our holy God.

WELCOME

Please silence your phones and other electronic devices.

CHORAL INTROIT

“SINCE BY MAN CAME DEATH”

G.F. Handel; From “Messiah”; From 1 Cor. 15:21

*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.*

ENTERING GOD’S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP

ISAIAH 25:6–9

Minister: On this mountain, the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the LORD; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

Minister: Hallelujah! Christ is risen!

People: *The Lord is risen indeed!*

Minister: This is the good news—the grave is empty.

Unison: *Christ is risen! Hallelujah!*



*PRAYER OF ADORATION

Minister and People: *O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with Him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

*OLD TESTAMENT READING

Pew Bible, page 744

DANIEL 7:9-14

Minister: The Word of the Lord!

People: *Thanks be to God!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

The congregation is invited to kneel through the Litany for Easter.

Minister and People: *Almighty God and Father, You have raised Jesus from the dead and given Him all authority in heaven and on earth. To Him belongs dominion, glory, and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. And yet we are guilty of treason. We have not been faithful to your Son who was slain for us and for our salvation. O Lord, have mercy. O Lord, forgive. Please do not treat us as our sins deserve, but give us your Spirit to seek first your kingdom and righteousness, in Jesus' name. Amen.*

Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

Minister: To all who repent and believe, be assured of this good news: by grace you were also raised with Christ through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised Him from the dead. God made you alive together with Him, having forgiven you all your trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against you. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. Rejoice, in Christ your sins are forgiven!

People: *Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

A LITANY FOR EASTER

Minister: Almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we praise and adore You for the immeasurable greatness of your power toward us who believe, according to the working of your great might, which You exercised in Christ when You raised Him from the dead.

People: *Glory! Hallelujah!*

Minister: On this glorious feast of the resurrection, we praise You, Lord Christ.

People: *Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing, for by your blood You ransomed us for God.*

Minister: Death is swallowed up in victory. O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?

People: *The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!*

Minister: In the peace of the risen Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

People: *Hear us, Lord of glory.*

Minister: That our risen Savior may crush beneath our feet the prince of darkness and his power.

People: *Hear us, Lord of glory.*

Minister: That we might seek the things that are above, where Christ is seated, and that we might be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord our labor is not in vain.

Unison: *Hear us, Lord of glory. May your kingdom come, and your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

*HYMN OF PROCLAMATION #276

“UP FROM THE GRAVE HE AROSE”

CHRIST AROSE

RENEWING OUR FAITH

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED

Minister and People: *I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Unison: *Thanks be to God!*

VOCAL ANTHEM

“HE'S ALIVE”

(Peter's encounter with Jesus)
Words & Music by Don Francisco

*GLORIA

“GLORY BE TO GOD IN HEAVEN”

Beethoven; ODE TO JOY

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth:
We exalt You, we adore You, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before You; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, You have come from heav'n above;
On the cross You died to save us; now You reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

We welcome children for the entire worship service. However, a specifically designed time is provided for children aged four through the first grade in the New Testament Hall. Please meet the Children's Church leaders at the Fellowship Hall entrance of the Sanctuary at this time.

*GOSPEL LESSON *Pew Bible, page 835*

MATTHEW 28:1-20

Minister: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: *Thanks be to the Lord!*

*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

REV. JUSTIN BORGER

Holy Week:

“THE MIRACLE AND THE MISSION”

RESPONDING IN THANKS

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #274

“THINE BE THE GLORY”

MACCABAEUS

GIVING TO GOD & CHORAL OFFERTORY

“KINGDOMS OF THIS WORLD”

Words and Music by Steve Fry and John Rosasco

Arr. by Ronald Owen

*The kingdoms of this world,
Are become the kingdoms of our God,
And of his Christ forevermore.
And He shall reign forevermore!*

*For every knee shall bow, every tongue confess,
That Jesus Christ is Lord!*

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*BENEDICTION

*SENDING FORTH HYMN

“IN CHRIST ALONE”

(Verses 3 & 4)

Word and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain.
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me.
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

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 power of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand.
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I stand!

Minister: Go in peace to love and serve the risen Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Thanks be to God!

INSTRUMENTAL POSTLUDE

“CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY”

EASTER HYMN

Please take a moment to greet those around you.

In our worship service this morning, Rev. Justin Borger will be ministering in the pulpit and Dr. Nicholas Reid will be assisting. Leading us in musical praise is Maria Schlehr, organist; Sarah Birx, pianist; Tamia Dawkins, clarinetist; Eric Diaz, Monroe Beute, and Fernando Tirado; violinists; Miriam Sarver and Jacqueline Quiroz, cellists; Gabriella Ibarra, hornist; Brian Beute and Dan Thompson, trumpeters; McKinley Beute, Jim Crandall, and Larry Pike, trombonists; Devon Costanza and Matthew Malhiot, percussionists; all under the direction of our Director of Music, Ronald Owen. Vocalists leading congregational singing are Peter Benyola, Chris Hurt, and David Romaine. The Choral Introit and Choral Offertory will be sung by St. Paul's Holy Week Choir. Our guest soloist this morning is Danny Alan.

Welcome Visitors! If you are visiting St. Paul's today, we are so glad you have joined us for worship! We would love to get to know you. Email staff@stpaulpca.org to let us know your name, contact information, how you heard about St. Paul's, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastors or ushers.

HYMN #277

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

“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!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia!
Christ hath opened Paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise: Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heav’n! Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be giv’n; Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!
Hail, the Resurrection Thou! Alleluia!

Charles Wesley, 1739
EASTER HYMN

HYMN #276

UP FROM THE GRAVE HE AROSE

Low in the grave he lay Jesus, my Savior,
Waiting the coming day Jesus, my Lord.

Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o'er his foes.
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with his saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Vainly they watch his bed Jesus, my Savior;
Vainly they seal the dead Jesus, my Lord.

Death cannot keep his prey Jesus, my Savior;
He tore the bars away Jesus, my Lord.

HYMN #274

THINE BE THE GLORY

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won;
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded graveclothes, where thy body lay.
Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
Lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
Let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,
For her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.
Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu'rors, thro' thy deathless love:
Bring us safe thro' Jordan to thy home above.
Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Edmond Budry, 1884
MACCABAEUS

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