

# ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION & WORSHIP OF GOD

4th Sunday of Easter, April 25, 2021, 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 Patri.*

*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.*

## ENTERING GOD'S PRESENCE

### INSTRUMENTAL PRELUDE

“AS THE HART LONGS FOR FLOWING STREAMS”

AS THE HART LONGS

*Why do I mourn and toil within,  
When it is mine to hope in God?  
I shall again sing praise to him;  
He is my help, he is my God.*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

FROM PSALM 95

Minister: O come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People:** *Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.*

Minister: O come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

\*HYMN OF PRAISE #76

“PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN”



LAUDA ANIMA

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

**Minister and People:** *O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, forever and ever. Amen.*

\*PSALTER READING *Pew Bible, page 454*

PSALM 17

**Minister:** The Word of the Lord!

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*The congregation is invited to kneel through the Pronouncement of Forgiveness.*

**Minister and People:** *Almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in your holy presence we confess our sin. You are the God of all comfort who comforts us in all our afflictions, but we have sought comfort elsewhere. You command us to cast all our cares upon You because you care for us, but we have doubted your love and your power to protect us. You promise to turn our sorrow into joy, but we have questioned your wisdom and goodness. You command us to live by faith and trust your promises, but we have lived in fear and put our hope and trust in human solutions. You call us to bring our needs before You in prayer, but we have been prayerless. Forgive us for our sin and give us grace to trust You. We believe, Lord, but help our unbelief, in Jesus' name we pray. Amen.*

*Please take a moment to silently confess your sin.*

PRONOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

**Minister:** This saying is true and worthy of full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Therefore, to all those who repent and believe the gospel, your sins are forgiven in Jesus' name.

**Unison:** *Thanks be to God!*

PASTORAL PRAYER

\*HYMN OF CONSECRATION #662

"AS THE HART LONGS FOR FLOWING STREAMS"

AS THE HART LONGS

# RENEWING OUR FAITH

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

WESTMINSTER LARGER CATECHISM

Question #90

**Minister:** What shall be done to the righteous at the day of judgment?

**People:** *At the day of judgment, the righteous, being caught up to Christ in the clouds, shall be set on his right hand, and there openly acknowledged and acquitted, shall join with him in the judging of reprobate angels and men, and shall be received into heaven, where they shall be fully and forever freed from all sin and misery; filled with inconceivable joys, made perfectly holy and happy both in body and soul, in the company of innumerable saints and holy angels, but especially in the immediate vision and fruition of God the Father, of our Lord Jesus Christ, and of the Holy Spirit, to all eternity. And this is the perfect and full communion, which the members of the invisible Church shall enjoy with Christ in glory, at the resurrection and day of judgment.*

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

## \*GLORIA PATRI #734

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, amen.

*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.*

## \*NEW TESTAMENT LESSON *Pew Bible, page 1014*

I PETER 1:1-25

**Minister:** The Word of the Lord!

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

## \*PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## PROCLAMATION OF GOD'S WORD

REV. DAN THOMPSON

“A LIVING HOPE FOR ELECT EXILES”

# RESPONDING IN THANKS

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE #310

“REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING”  
DARWALL

GIVING TO GOD & INSTRUMENTAL OFFERTORY

“GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS”  
Music by William M. Runyan; Arr. by Flora Jean Garlock

\*DOXOLOGY #732

TALLIS' CANON

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.

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*BENEDICTION

\*SENDING FORTH HYMN #522

*(Verses 1 & 4)*

“MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS”  
ST. PETERSBURG

My hope is built on nothing less  
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;  
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,  
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Refrain:*

*On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;  
All other ground is sinking sand,  
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When he shall come with trumpet sound,  
O may I then in him be found;  
Dressed in his righteousness alone,  
Faultless to stand before the throne.

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

**People:** *Thanks be to God!*

## INSTRUMENTAL POSTLUDE

“REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING”

DARWALL

*In our worship service this morning, Rev. Dan Thompson will be ministering in the pulpit and Dr. Nicholas Reid will be assisting. Leading us in musical praise is Gail Mininger, organist; Sarah Birx, pianist; Fernando Tirado, violinist; and Miriam Sarver, cellist. Leading congregational singing are Hannah Pacchioli and David Romaine. Our Instrumental Offertory this morning will be played by Sarah Birx, pianist.*

*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](mailto:staff@stpaulpca.org) to let us know your name, how you heard about St. Paul's, any contact information you would like to give, and any questions you may have. Please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastors or ushers.*

\* Congregation standing

✦ Additional worshipers seated

HYMN #76

PRAISE, MY SOUL, THE KING OF HEAVEN

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring;  
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,  
Who like me, his praise should sing?  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;  
Praise him still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless;  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;  
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes;  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
Widely as his mercy goes.

Frail as summer's flow'r we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone:  
But while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
Praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;  
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him,  
Praise with us the God of grace!

HYMN #662

## AS THE HART LONGS FOR FLOWING STREAMS

As the hart longs for flowing streams,  
So longs my soul for Thee, O God.  
My soul does thirst for the living God;  
When shall I come to see Thy face?

My tears have fed me day and night,  
While men have said, "Where is your God?"  
But I recall as my soul pours dry,  
The days of praise within Thy house.

Why do I mourn and toil within,  
When it is mine to hope in God?  
I shall again sing praise to Him;  
He is my help, he is my God.

HYMN #310

REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

Rejoice, the Lord is King:  
Your Lord and King adore;  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing,  
And triumph evermore.

*Refrain:*

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice.*

Jesus, the Savior reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When he had purged our stains  
He took his seat above.

His kingdom cannot fail,  
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus giv'n.

He sits at God's right hand  
Till all his foes submit,  
And bow to his command  
And fall beneath his feet.

Rejoice in glorious hope!  
Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,  
And take his servants up  
To their eternal home.

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