



“If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven...”

- John 20:23

April 11, 2021

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OUR CHURCH AT WORSHIP

April 11, 2021

Second Sunday of Easter

PRELUDE

Althea Waites

CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted from Psalm 133

Leader: How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity.

People: It is like precious oil, poured out as a blessing on God's servants.

Leader: It is like the morning dew which falls on God's holy mountain,

People: Where the Lord gives the blessing of life for evermore.

HYMN #304

"Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

Charles Dickerson

Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.

Christ has brought us heavens choices; heavenly music let it ring.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.

Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song.

When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong.

Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND RENEWAL

Unison: Loving God, we thank you that you have not left us alone in sin and despair. You have taken away our anxiousness and fear and set before us the way of love in your Son, Jesus Christ. Yet we know that we do not always follow him. We turn away from those who need us. We forget your generosity and compassion. In your grace and mercy forgive us. Set us free to share your love and hope with the world, that we may be your people in word and deed. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Chris Larson

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

Jonathan Chute

ANTHEM

"Doubting Thomas"

3rd service ensemble

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

April Herron

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 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. Amen.**

OFFERING OUR GIFTS AND OURSELVES

OFFERTORY

Althea Waites

DOXOLOGY

Charles Dickerson

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures, here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

- John 20:19-31

The disciples encounter the risen Christ

Chris Larson

SERMON

"The Risen, Wounded Christ"

Jonathan Chute

HYMN #310

"He Lives"

Charles Dickerson

**I serve a risen Savior, he's in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever foes may say.
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
And just the time I need him, he's always near.**

**(Refrain) He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ the King!
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find;
None other is so loving, so good and kind.**

**(Refrain) He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
With his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.**

POSTLUDE

Althea Waites

3rd service ensemble:

Paula Kuno – guitar/mandolin/vocals, *Teresa James* – piano/flute/vocals
Michael Starr – guitar/violin/mandolin/vocals, *Zach Provost* – piano/vocals
Cory Tramontelli – bass/vocals, *Jack Sollecito* – percussion/guitar/piano

Rev. Jonathan Chute, Senior Pastor
Rev. Dr. Martha Rowlett, Senior Pastor Emeritus
Myra Ghabrial, Preschool Director
Annette Matsuda, Parish Nurse
Gabby Palacios, Kid Zone/Mid Zone Director
Debra DeLuca, Children's Ministry Director
Rev. Kristin Reksc, Youth Ministry Director

Rev. Dr. April Herron, Associate Pastor
Charles Dickerson, III, Music Director
Althea Waites, Organist
Paula Kuno, 3rd Service Music
John Fitzgerald, Treasurer
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Peggy Roulette, Church Office Admin.
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