

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

April 17, 2022

Easter Sunday

PREPARATION, PROMISES, AND PRAISE

(We invite you to quiet yourself in preparation for the worship of God when you hear the prelude music.)

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.

WELCOME AND INVITATION TO SHARE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

Gathering Music "Jesus is Risen, Alleluia" Schram
FirstKids

Prelude "Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing!" arr. Callahan

Call to Worship The Rev. Robert Smith

Leader: The Lord who calls us to worship today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

All: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"

—based on Colossians 2:3; Revelation 5:12

*Hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" No. 277

*Prayer of Adoration

*Prayer of Confession (unison)

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Good News! *But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ*

Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. Thanks be to God! —Ephesians 2:4-7

*Gloria Patri No. 735

(Let the children come forward during the singing of the Gloria.)

LISTENING TO THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Time The Rev. Robert Smith

*Hymn "The Day of Resurrection!" No. 267

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Page 1139

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem "O Risen Lord" K. Lee Scott

Scripture: Luke 23:50-24:12 Page 1047

Sermon "The Third Day"
The Rev. Robert Smith

RESPONSE IN DEDICATION AND OBEDIENCE

Prayers of the People of God and Our Lord's Prayer

*Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" Page 845

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen

Offering of Ourselves to God and to One Another

Our Greetings

Offertory "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" Waugh
Carillonneurs Handbell Choir

Our Gratitude

"The Doxology" No. 731

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn	“Worship Christ, the Risen King!”	No. 286
Benediction	“277, Alleluia, Amen”	
Postlude	“Toccata from <i>Symphony No. 5</i> ”	Widor

	*The Congregation is asked to stand, as you are able.	

Reminders

Elders: Stuart Bain, Bill Gearhart
Sound System: Kaye Wilkerson, Scott Rice, Rea Brown
Greeters:
Ramp Room (8:50-9:00 & 10:00-10:30): **Narthex (10:00-10:30):**
 April 17 - Bobby & Susan Dobyms April 17 - Ron & T.K. Sharpley
 April 24 - Bud & Jessie Derey April 24 - Andrea Guillard

Deacons on Duty:
 April 17 - Mary Thornhill, Marcia Ridenhour
 April 24 - Sheila Harms, Jeanette Hinkle

Acolytes:
 April 17 - Charlotte Bain
 April 24 - Elizabeth Rice

Nursery:
 April 17 - Wendy Andree
 April 24 - William Brooks

CALENDAR

Today, 4/17	Sunday School, 9:00 am; Worship, 10:30 am
Monday, 4/18	Church office closed on Mondays; Sermon Apps, 7:00 pm
Tuesday, 4/19	Men’s ZOOM Bible Study, 12:00 pm; Adult Bible Study (ABS), 5:15 pm
Wednesday, 4/20	Youth Group, 6:00 pm; First Kids, 6:00 pm
Thursday, 4/21	Men’s Breakfast, 7:00 am; Staff Meeting, 10:00 am; Men’s Bible Study, 2:30 pm
Friday, 4/22	Prayers for the church, 9:30 am

Hearing devices are located in the Narthex to assist in listening to today's service.

Pastor: The Rev. Robert D. Smith
 Director of Music & Children’s Ministries: Mrs. Patricia K. Trail
 Director of Youth & Christian Education: Mr. Pete G. Guillard
 Organist: Mr. William Turner
 Handbell Director: Dr. Erma Rose