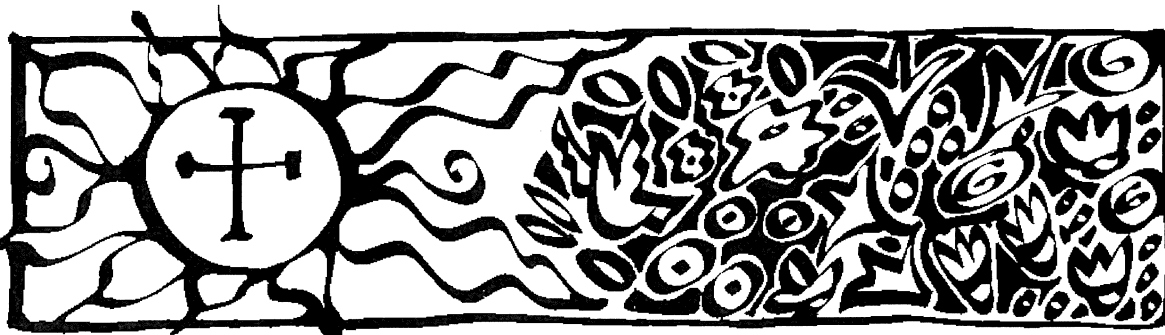


FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

April 23, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Third
Sunday of
Easter



PRELUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

arr. J. Leavitt

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

EASTER INTROIT

Christ Is Risen, Shout Hosanna!

B.Wren/R. Arnatt, arr. C. Dyck

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#312 Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

C G7 C F G7 C G C

D E D D E

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live and comes to bring good news to

G7 C G7 C G7 C G G G G

D F D C B D B

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - ery age; till earth and sky and

C G D7 G G C C Dm7 Dm6 C Dm C G7 C

D F E F E F G

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

***INVOCATION AND 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, for ever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (adapted from umcdiscipleship.org)

**Wondrous God,
We confess that our doubts and fears
override our hope and faith.
Forgive us when we lose sight of the joy of your love
and instead fall into despair and gloom.
Lift up our spirits and help us to remember
the promise of new life here and now,
not just the hope of resurrection for the future.
We give thanks for Jesus the Christ,
who continues to offer us new life,
who continues to turn us around and upside down,
who continues to break down the walls of death
in our own life.
Forgive us, restore us and renew us.
In the name of the Risen Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

**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**

R. Goodson

FIRST READING

Micah 5:2-5a

Pages 966, 1st half of NRSV Bible

Anthem

Christ is Arisen, Indeed!

N. Sleeth

RESPONSIVE PRAYER (adapted from www.re-worship.blogspot.com)

One: Lord Jesus, what is it that keeps us
from recognizing you?

**Many: When we are so full of ourselves,
it is all too easy to block you out of our lives.**

One: Lord Jesus, what is it that keeps us
from recognizing you?

**Many: We don't recognize you in our neighbour,
or in the guise of the poor or the dispossessed.**

One: Lord Jesus, what is it that keeps us
from recognizing you?

**Many: Our eyes and ears have become so crammed
with the sights and sounds of living
that we simply fail to see you or to recognize your voice.**

**All: Lord Jesus,
help rid us of all that hinders our awareness of you,
so that, like those travellers on the road to Emmaus,
we too, hasten to share the good news with others.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#480 Open My Eyes, that I May See

OPEN MY EYES

The musical score is written in 6/8 time with a key signature of three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The melody is on a treble clef staff, and the bass line is on a bass clef staff. The lyrics are written below the melody. The score includes four measures of music, each with a chord symbol above it: Ab, Eb7/Bb, Eb7, and Ab. The lyrics are:

1 O - pen my eyes, that I may see glimps - es of truth you have for me;
2 O - pen my ears, that I may hear voic - es of truth you send so clear;
3 O - pen my mouth, and let me bear glad - ly the warm truth ev - ery - where;

$\frac{C7}{G}$ Fm $\frac{C7}{E}$ Fm C7 Fm Bb7 Bb $\frac{Gm}{Bb}$ Bb7 Eb

place in my hands the won-der-ful key that shall un-lock and set me free.
 and while the mes-sage sounds in my ear, ev-ery-thing false will dis-ap-pear.
 o - pen my heart, and let me pre-pare love with your chil-dren thus to share.

Ab $\frac{Eb7}{Bb}$ Eb7 Ab

Si-lent-ly now, on bend-ed knee, read-y I wait your will to see;

Ab $\frac{Ab7}{C}$ Db Eb7 $\frac{Db}{Eb}$ Ab

o - pen my eyes, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 o - pen my ears, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!
 o - pen my heart, il - lu - mine me, Spir - it di - vine!

WORDS and MUSIC: Clara H. Scott (1841-1897), alt.

OPEN MY EYES
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CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

***HYMN OF MEDITATION**
#404 Hope of the World

VICAR

Unison D $\frac{G}{B}$ Asus A Em7 F#m7 G $\frac{F\#m}{A}$ Bm $\frac{Em}{A}$ A D

1 Hope of the world, O Christ of great com - pas - sion:
 2 Hope of the world, God's gift from high - est heav - en,
 3 Hope of the world, a - foot on dust - y high - ways,
 4 Hope of the world, who by your cross did save us
 5 Hope of the world, O Christ, o'er death vic - to - rious,

Bm $\frac{G}{B}$ A G $\frac{D}{F\#}$ Em7 $\frac{D}{F\#}$ $\frac{Em}{G}$ Bm Asus A

speak to our fear - ful hearts by con - flict rent;
 bring - ing to hun - gry souls the bread of life:
 show - ing to wan - dering souls the path of light:
 from death and dark de - spair, from sin and guilt:
 who by this sign did con - quer grief and pain:

F#m7 $\frac{Bm}{D}$ $\frac{F\#}{C\#}$ Bm C# $\frac{Bm}{D}$ C# F#m $\frac{Em}{G}$ F#

save us, your peo - ple, from con - sum - ing pas - sion,
 still let your Spir - it un - to us be giv - en
 walk now be - side us, lest the tempt - ing by - ways
 we ren - der back the love your mer - cy gave us;
 we would be faith - ful to your gos - pel glo - rious;

$\frac{B}{D\#}$ Em $\frac{F\#m}{A}$ $\frac{A}{G}$ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ Em7 $\frac{Em7}{G}$ A D

who by our own false hopes and aims are spent.
 to heal earth's wounds and end her bit - ter strife.
 lure us a - way from you to end - less night.
 take now our lives and use them as you will.
 you are our Lord, and you for - ev - er reign!

SECOND READING

Luke 24:13-35

Page 92, 2nd half of NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON "Post-Resurrection Presence"

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Easter Hymn

T. Shaw

*New Doxology

Let's praise God for each good thing.

M. Adria

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#306 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen!

EARTH AND ALL STARS

Unison $A\flat$ $D\flat$ $\frac{A\flat}{C}$ $B\flat m7$ $A\flat$ $E\flat$ $F\text{sus}$ Fm Cm $D\flat$ $\frac{A\flat}{C}$ $B\flat m7$

1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is ris - en! Trum - pets re -
2 Walk - ing the way, Christ in the cen - ter tell - ing the
3 Je - sus the vine, we are the branch - es; life in the
4 Weep - ing, be gone; sor - row, be si - lent: death put a -
5 Cit - y of God, Eas - ter for - ev - er, gold - en Je -

$A\flat$ $\frac{A\flat}{C}$ $D\flat$ $E\flat$ $A\flat$ $\frac{B\flat m}{D\flat}$ $B\flat m$ $\frac{Fm}{C}$ $E\flat\text{sus}$ $E\flat$

sound - ing in glo - ri - ous light! Splen - dor, the Lamb,
sto - ry to o - pen our eyes; break - ing our bread,
Spir - it the fruit of the tree; heav - en to earth,
sun - der, and Eas - ter is bright. Cher - u - bim sing:
ru - sa - lem, Je - sus the Lamb, riv - er of life,

Ab Eb Bb7 Eb Db $\frac{Ab}{C}$ Bbm7 Ab $\frac{Ab}{C}$ Dbmaj7Eb Ab

heav-en for - ev - er! Oh, what a mir - a - cle God has in sight!
 giv - ing us glo - ry: Je - sus our bless - ing, our con - stant sur - prise.
 Christ to the peo - ple, gift of the fu - ture now flow - ing to me.
 "O grave, be o - pen!" Clothe us in won - der, a - dorn us in light.
 saints and arch - an - gels, sing with cre - a - tion to God the I AM!

Refrain $\frac{Eb}{G}$ Fm7 Eb Eb $\frac{Db}{F}$ Eb Ab $\frac{Eb}{G}$ $\frac{Bb7}{F}$ Eb

Je - sus is ris - en and we shall a - - rise:

Fm $\frac{Abmaj7}{Eb}$ $\frac{Bbm7}{Db}$ $\frac{Ab}{C}$ Bbm Eb Ab

Give God the glo - ry! Al - le - lu - ia!

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***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Choral Benediction**

Alleluia

W. Boyce

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world - - begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Ceremonial March

H. Sumsion

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

Writing Prayers - Rev. Kathy Brown;

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