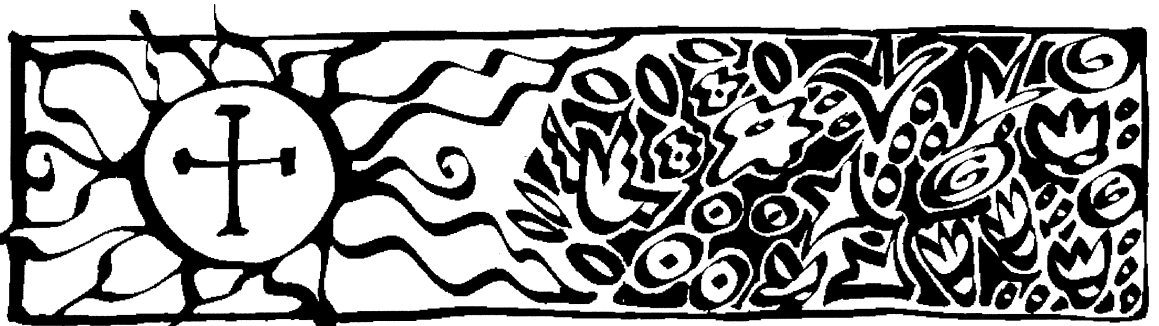


FIRST
BAPTIST
CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

May 21, 2023 11:00 a.m.

Seventh
Sunday of
Easter



PRELUDE

Crown Him with Many Crowns

arr. S. Rogers

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Be Thou My Vision

arr. B. Chilcott

CALL TO WORSHIP

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

#308 This Joyful Eastertide

VRUECHTEN

N.C.

Bb

Eb

Bb7sus
F

Eb
G

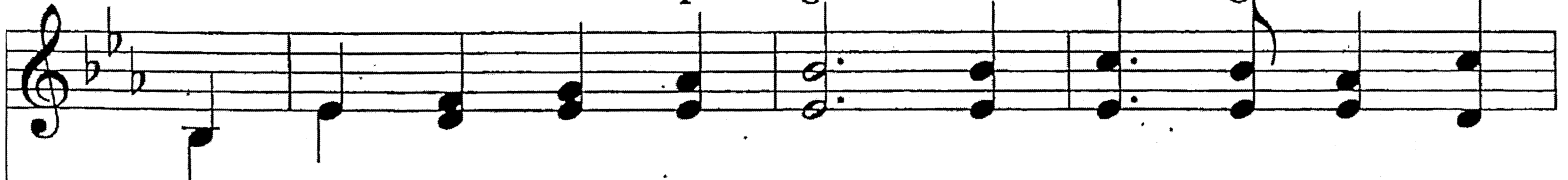
Eb

Ab

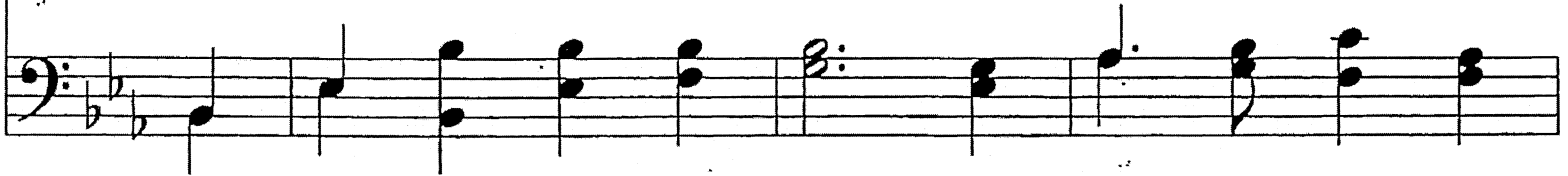
Eb
G

Fm7

Fm6



1 This joy - ful Eas - ter - tide, a - way with sin and
 2 My be - ing shall re - joice se - cüre with - in God's
 3 Death's wa - ters lost their chill when Je - sus crossed the



Eb
G

Bb7
F

Eb

Bbsus Bb7 Eb

N.C.

Eb
G

Bb
F

Eb

Ab
C

Bbsus Bb

Eb
G



sad - - - - - ness! Our Lord, the cru - ci - fied, has
 keep - - - - - ing, un - til the trum - pet voice shall
 riv - - - - - er. His love shall reach me still; his



Refrain

Ab

Eb
Bb

Ab
C

Dm7(b5) Eb

Bb7
F

Eb
G

Ab

Bbsus Bb Eb

Eb
G

Bb
F

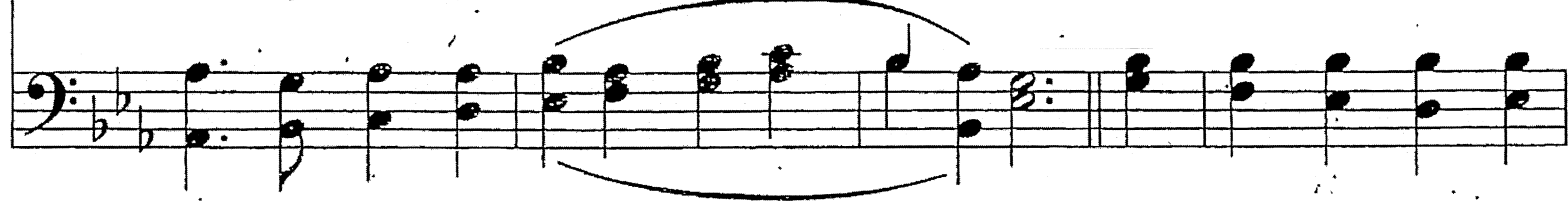
Eb

Bb7
D

Eb



filled our hearts with glad - - - - - ness.
 wake us from our sleep - - - - - ing. Had Christ, who once was
 mer - cy is for - ev - - - - - er.



B \flat $\frac{E\flat}{B\flat}$ A \flat $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ A \flat $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ F sus F B \flat $\frac{A\flat 2}{C}$ $\frac{B\flat 7}{D}$ E \flat $\frac{E\flat}{G}$

slain, not burst his three-day pris - on, our faith would be in

B \flat $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ $\frac{B\flat}{A\flat}$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ $\frac{B\flat}{F}$ E \flat F $\text{m}7$ B \flat $\frac{B\flat}{A\flat}$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ C m $\frac{C\text{m}}{B\flat}$

vain. But now has Christ a - ris - en, a - ris - en, a -

A \flat maj7 B \flat $\frac{B\flat}{A\flat}$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ A \flat $\frac{E\flat}{B\flat}$ $\frac{E\flat}{G}$ B \flat sus B \flat 7 E \flat

ris - en, but now has Christ a - ris - en!

WORDS: George R. Woodward (1848-1934), alt.
MUSIC: J. Oudaen's *David's Psalmen*, 1685

VRUECHTEN
6.7.6.7.Ref.

***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

Jesus conquered sin and death for us.
But we often fail to realize this victory
in our struggles of daily living.
We fall short in our thoughts and actions.
Our faith is weakened by our fears,
and our love is hidden behind walls of prejudice,
hatred and hopelessness.
Risen Christ, help us to arise in our awareness of your
indwelling presence, through which we are over-
comers in a broken world.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

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

FIRST READING

Psalm 47

Page 572, 1st half of NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

OFFERING OF MUSIC IN WORSHIP

Glory to the Lamb

D. Blackwell

LITANY

One: We can sing praise to God
for Christ has ascended into heaven.

**Many: We praise God because Christ is exalted
above all the earth.**

One: Christ holds all power and authority
in heaven and over the earth.

**Many: We praise God because Christ is exalted
above all the earth.**

One: Jesus is Lord and has reconciled all things.

Many: We praise God because He has lifted up Jesus.

**All: We can live in hope and without fear, for God has exalted the Christ,
and Jesus is Lord over all the earth.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#31 I Sing the Almighty Power of God.

ELLACOMBE

N.C. $\frac{Ab}{C}$ Fm Eb Ab Db $\frac{Ab}{C}$ Db Eb Ab

1 I sing the al-might-y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,
2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord that filled the earth with food;
3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes your glo - ries known;

N.C. $\frac{Ab}{C}$ Fm. Eb Ab Db Fm Ebsus Eb Ab

that spread the flow-ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y skies.
he formed the crea-tures with his word and then pro-nounced them good.
and clouds a - rise and tem-pests blow by or - der from your throne;

Ab Eb/G Ab Db Eb Ab Eb/G Ab Db Eb

I sing the wis-dom that or-dained the sun to rule the day;
 Lord, how your won-ders are dis-played wher-e'er I turn my eye,
 while all that bor-rows life from you is ev-er in your care,

N.C. Ab/C Fm Eb Ab Db Fm Ebsus Eb Ab

the moon shines full at his com-mand and all the stars o-bey.
 if I sur-vey the ground I tread or gaze up-on the sky!
 and ev-ery-where that I may be, you, God, are pres-ent there.

WORDS: Isaac Watts (1674-1748)
 MUSIC: *Gesangbuch der H. W. K. Hofkapelle*, 1784

ELLACOMBE
 C.M.D.

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION #324 Christ High-Ascended

WORDS: Timothy Dudley-Smith (1926-)
 MUSIC: *Paris Antiphoner*, 1681
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 11.11.11.6.

Unison

D G $\frac{F\#m}{A}$ A D Bm $\frac{A}{C\#}$ D G D A $\frac{Em}{G}$ $\frac{A7}{G}$



1 Christ high-as - cend - ed, now in glo - ry seat - ed, throned and ex -
 2 Christ from the Fa - ther ev - ery power pos - sess - ing, who on his
 3 Christ, who in dy - ing won for us sal - va - tion, lives now the
 4 Christ in his splen - dor, all do - min - ion gain - ing, Christ with his
 5 As at his part - ing, joy shall ban - ish griev - ing, faith in his



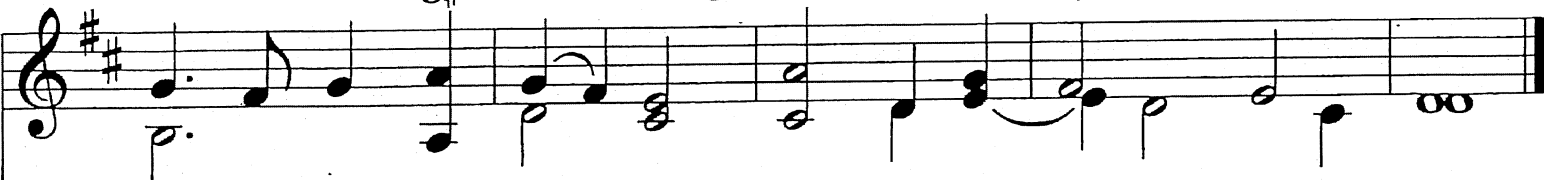
$\frac{D}{F\#}$ D Bm $\frac{Bm}{D}$ Dmaj7 Esus E A $\frac{A}{G}$ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ $\frac{A7}{E}$ $\frac{Bm}{D}$ $\frac{A}{C\#}$ D



alt - ed, vic - to - ry com - plet - ed, death's dread do - min - ion
 cho - sen lift - ed hands in bless - ing, sends forth his ser - vants,
 first - born of the new cre - a - tion; to win dis - ci - ples.
 peo - ple ev - er - more re - main - ing, Christ to all ag - es
 pres - ence strength - en our be - liev - ing; filled with his Spir - it,



Em $\frac{A}{C\#}$ Dsus D A $\frac{A}{G}$ F#m Bm Em $\frac{D}{F\#}$ Asus A7 D



fi - nal - ly de - feat - ed, we are his wit - ness - es.
 still in faith con - fess - ing, we are his wit - ness - es.
 out of ev - ery na - tion, we are his wit - ness - es.
 glo - ri - ous - ly reign - ing, we are his wit - ness - es.
 love and power re - ceiv - ing, we are his wit - ness - es.



SECOND READING

Acts 1:1-11

Page 122, 2nd half of NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON

Rev. Dr. Allan Effa

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Meditation

W. Belland

*New Doxology

Let's praise God for each good thing.

Marco Adria

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#320 Alleluia, Sing to Jesus!

HYFRYDOL

F C F Gm7 C7 F C Dm C F C7 F F A Gm Dm C F

F E F A G A Bb

1 Al - le - lu - ia, sing to Je - sus! his the scep - ter, his the throne:
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we left in sor - row now;
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! heav - enly High Priest, here on earth our help, our stay;

C F Gm7 C7 F C Dm C F C7 F F A Gm Dm C F

F E F A G A Bb

Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone.
 Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lieves nor ques - tions how.
 Al - le - lu - ia! hear the sin - ful cry to you from day to day.

Am Dm7 Gm7 C7 Dm7 $\frac{C7}{E}$ F $\frac{F}{E}$ Dm $\frac{F}{A}$ G $\frac{4}{2}$ Gm B \flat maj7 Csus C

Hark! the songs of peace-ful Zi - on thun - der like a might-y flood.
 Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er,
 In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, hear our plea,

$\frac{F}{A}$ $\frac{Dm7}{F}$ $\frac{Gm}{F}$ $\frac{C}{E}$ F $\frac{G9}{D}$ $\frac{C}{E}$ $\frac{B\flat}{D}$ $\frac{C7}{E}$ F $\frac{F7}{A}$ B \flat $\frac{F}{A}$ B \flat $\frac{F}{C}$ C7 F

Je - sus, out of ev - ery na - tion, has re - deemed us by his blood.
 shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"
 where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.

WORDS: William C. Dix (1837-1898), alt.
 MUSIC: Rowland H. Prichard (1811-1887); arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

HYFRYDOL
 8.7.8.7.D.

***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.

***Sung Benediction**

Nunc dimittis
 (Lord, let your servant depart in peace)

arr. A. Bullard

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

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

POSTLUDE

Concerto in G Major

J.S. Bach

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

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Worship Leader and Writing Prayers - Christina Ward;
Prayers of the People - Gordon Dinwoodie;
Scripture Readers - Nick Bargeman, Gwen Borowski;
Guest Organist - Leroy Hiller;
Offering of Music in Worship - Adrienne Sitko, Joanne Linden, voice; Nathan Olanday, piano;
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