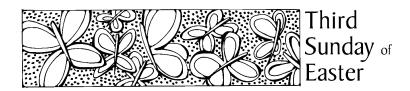


Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

April 14, 2024 11:00 a.m.



PRELUDE

Primavera ("Spring") Op.55 No.1 C. Chaminade Praise to the Lord the Almighty arr.. H.Helvey

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Christ Is Arisen arr. C. Dyck

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#306 Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen! EARTH AND ALL STARS

*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

Risen Lord,

we confess that we can be easily frightened. Forgive us when our doubts lead to distress and dismay. We confess that we limit our expectations of you. Forgive us when we are lulled into a false sense of security by comfortable half-truths. Open our minds and hearts that we may be awestruck by your glory. Startle us with the extravagance of your grace and clothe your church with the power of your Spirit that the nations may overflow with joy and gladness.

(Silence for personal reflection and confession)

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 TESTAMENT READING

Page 540, 1st half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

Gaelic Alleluia arr. C. Courtney 4-Hands Piano - Leanne Regehr & Jerrold Eilander

LITANY

One: O Lord, you hear us when we call your name. Many: You have put gladness in our hearts. One: You stand among us and grant us peace. Many: You have put gladness in our hearts. One: Your mercy is proclaimed to the nations. Many: You have put gladness in our hearts. All: You alone, O Lord, make us lie down in safety. The light of your face shines upon us.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#311 Now the Green Blade Rises NOËL NOUVELET

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#469 Lord of All Hopefulness SLANE

SECOND TESTAMENT READING

Luke 24:36-48 Pages 92-93, 2nd half of the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

SERMON "Joyful, Wondering Witnesses"

Rev. Dr. Ryan Sato

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

Largo BWV 1043

J.S. Bach arr. G. Near

M Adria

*New Doxology Let's praise God for each good thing. All creation, shout and sing! Praise three Persons, yet one Love: Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

#425 Christ Beside Me BUNESSAN

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

Aleluva / Alleluia Honduran Trad. Melody

*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen

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

*POSTLUDE

Grand Aria in E-flat C. Demarest

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Writing Prayers & Leading Worship - Rev. Susan Hunter; Prayers of the People - Grant McIntyre; Scripture Reading - Emilie Roussis; Guest Pianist - Dr. Leanne Regehr; Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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