

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

April 27, 2025 3:00 p.m.



PRELUDE

Variations on O FILII ET FILIAE

K. Kosche

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CHORAL INTROIT

Christ is Arisen

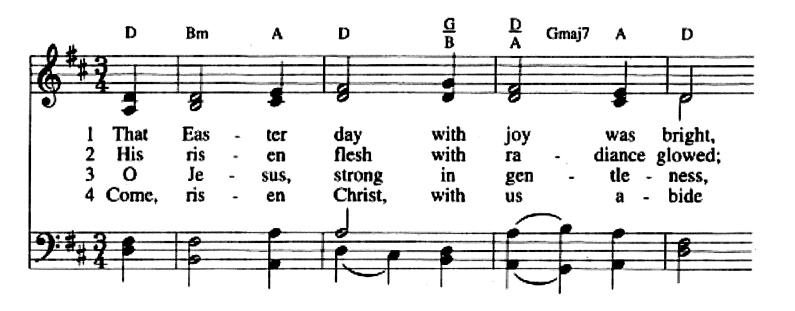
arr. C. Dyck

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#299 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

PUER NOBIS





WORDS: Latin hymn, 5th c.; tr. John M. Neale (1818-1866), alt. MUSIC: Trier manuscript, 15th c.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621); harm. George R. Woodward (1848-1934)

*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,

we re-traced your steps as you journeyed through the wilderness, fasting for forty days.

We remembered your last supper and celebrated it in communion. We commemorated your death, burial and resurrection in our assembly.

Yet we soon forget the omnipotence of God and doubt His admonition to live by faith. We confess that, like Thomas, we do not believe when there is no proof.

We aspire to be teachable so that we may grow in the knowledge of the faith and have life in your name.

(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

Psalm 118:19-29

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

Christ Is Risen! Christ Is Alive!

L. Larson

RESPONSIVE READING

One: This the day that the LORD has made.

Many: Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD.

Many: We bless you from the house of the LORD.

One: The LORD is God, and he has given us light.

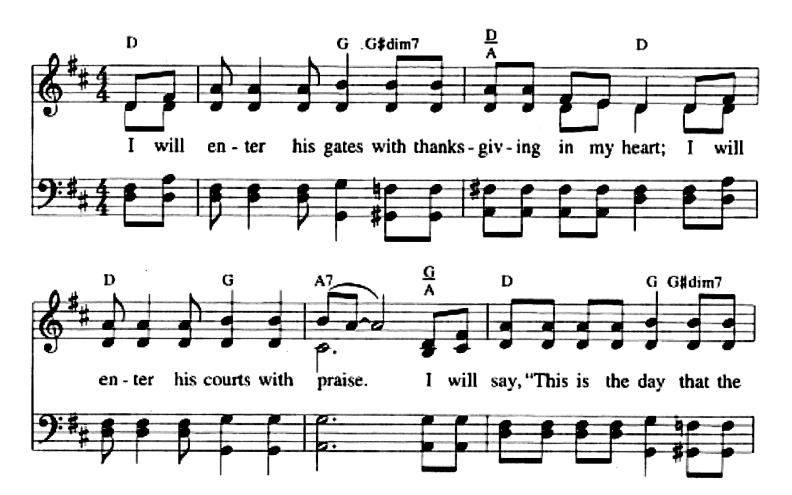
Many: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you. I will extol you.

All: Let us give thanks to the LORD, for his steadfast love endures forever.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

#697 He Has Made Me Glad

L. Von Brethorst





WORDS and MUSIC: Leona Von Brethorst (1923-)
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CHILDREN'S BLESSING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN OF MEDITATION

#228 Alleluia! O Sons and Daughters (sing verses 2-7 and 9)

O FILII ET FILIAE

Alleluias serve only as the introduction to stanza 1.



- 5 When Thomas first the tidings how they had seen the risen Lo he doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia!
- 6 "My piercèd side, O Thomas, se behold my hands, my feet," said "not faithless, but believing be.' Alleluia!
- 7 No longer Thomas then denied; he saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia!
- 9 On this most holy day of days, to God your hearts and voices in laud and jubilee and praise. Alleluia!

Text: Latin; attrib. Jean Tisserand (15th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818–1866). Music: Melody Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et noëls, Paris, 1623; harm. Edmund W. Goldsmith (1860–1934). Harm. Estate of Edmund W. Goldsmith.

SECOND READING

John 20:19-31

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON

Dr. Anne Bellamy

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

This Joyful Eastertide

P. Boumann

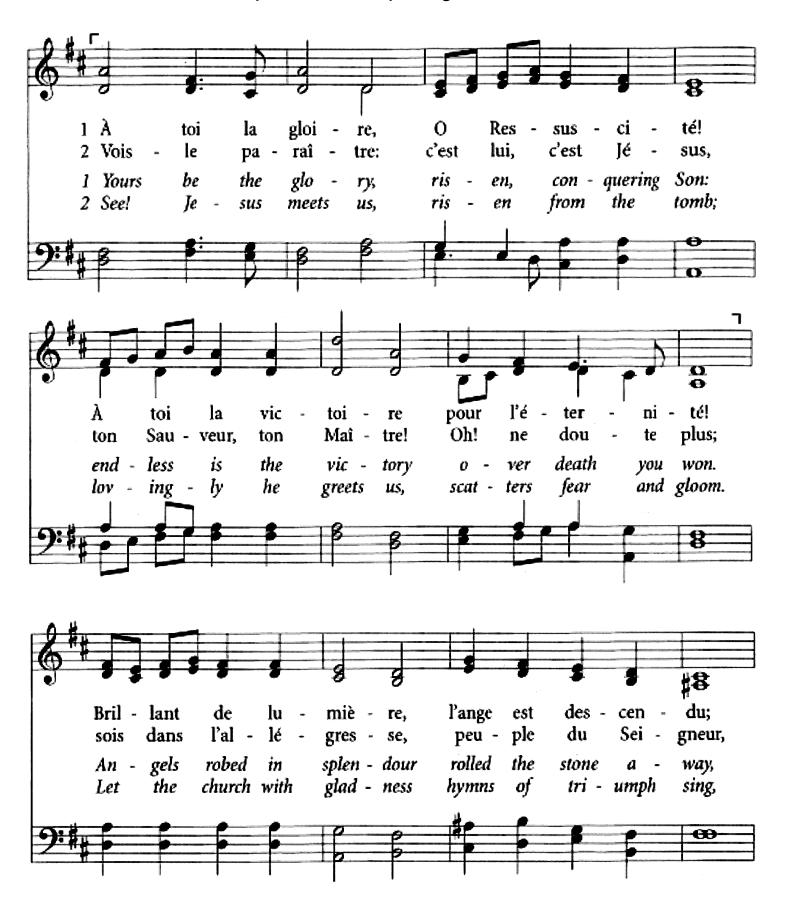
M. Adria

*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

#210 Yours Be the Glory, Risen, Conquering Son JUDAS MACCABAEUS





3 No more we doubt you, glorious Prince of life: what is life without you? Aid us in our strife; make us more than conquerors through your deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to your home above. Refrain

*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

Christ Is Risen, Shout Hosanna!

R. Arnott/C. Dyck

*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen

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

POSTLUDE

Postlude on Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

A. Travis

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:

The Prayer of Confession and the Responsive Reading have been written by Christina Ward;

The Prayers of the People has been written by Rev. Sue Hunter;

Scripture Reading - Natalie Cook, Mark Domning;

Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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FBC Ministry Team:

Rev. Jeremy Keay, Minister of Youth, Young Adults, Outreach Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

As we attempt to provide comfortable spaces for all and we have some members who have severe scent sensitivities, we ask that people refrain from wearing perfumes and colognes on Sunday morning to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another.

- FBC Council

^{*}Please stand, as you are able