

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

May 4, 2025 3:00 p.m.



PRELUDE

Suite in C Major J. Krebs

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

INTROIT

Christ Is Arisen arr. C. Dyck

CALL TO WORSHIP

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#205 The Day of Resurrection

FLLACOMBE

*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

God,

You have offered us your steadfast love and we have turned away from it. We long after perceived desires to fill the empty ache within us. You would gather us under your wings of care and instead, we run away, chasing illusions that lure us further from you.

Forgive us God. we are sorry for our simple distractions that keep us from you. May we revel in your love and care, as an infant nestles into its parents' arms of nurture. Amen.

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

FIRST READING

Read from the NRSV Bible Psalm 33:8-22 Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

ANTHEM

O God, Our Help in Ages Past arr. J. Rutter (please join us in singing verses 1, 2, 4 & 6 - #528)

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Like a River Glorious WYE VALLEY (refer to insert)

SECOND READING

Jeremiah 32:33-42 Read from the NRSV Bible Response to the reading: "Thanks be to God"

SERMON Cheryl Krueger

(Silence for personal reflection)

*HYMN OF APPROACH

#60 I Come With Joy LAND OF REST

GATHERING AT THE TABLE

*The Passing of the Peace

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed 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 Spirit,

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 sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty

from there he shall come to judge

the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic* Church, the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body.

and the life everlasting. Amen.

*catholic means the church universal or the church for all time

The Bread

The Cup

All who seek God and the presence of Christ are welcome to participate

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS Offertory

Now the Green Blade Rises

M. Sedio 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

#237 Now the Green Blade Rises

NOËL NOUVELET

*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.

*The Sending of the Community

*Congregational Amen

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

POSTLUDE

Fantasia on CHRIST IST ERSTANDEN (Christ Has Arisen!)

K. Uppercue

*Please stand, as you are able

We are grateful for those who serve with us today: Leading Worship - Jo-Ann Badley; Scripture Reading - Caitlin Hart, Mackenzie Blyth; Communion Preparation - Jon Maier; Twyla Fletcher.

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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 afternoon to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another.

--- FBC Council