



ORDER OF WORSHIP
2nd Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 11, 2021 - 9:30 am Online Service

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on Llanfair
TIM EVERS, ORGAN

McNeil Robinson

Call to Worship *(responsively)*

In God's sanctuary and out in the world,

Praise the Lord!

For all that God does, both big and small,

Praise the Lord!

With instruments and song,

Praise the Lord!

With all the gifts God has given us,

Let everything that draws breath praise the Lord!

Opening Hymn 245 *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!*

LLANFAIR

(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Gracious God, we relate to your disciple Thomas. We hear stories of you but still have doubt when we don't hear your voice for ourselves. We see your work in the world but still have doubt when we can't see you for ourselves. We touch all the beauty of your creation but still have doubt when we can't touch you for ourselves. You speak peace to us while we continue to be scared. Lord, forgive us for all the ways we have doubted and faltered in following you and teach us how to declare with Thomas, "My Lord and my God!" Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Affirmation of Faith – 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 Ghost, 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 sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Time with the Children

Kelli Masters

First Scripture Reading: Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Announcements and Offering

Please make an offering to the ongoing work of the church. You can give online by using the giving button on the website at www.waynepres.org/giving/

Musical Offertory

Testimony

QUARTET

Genna Rae McNeil

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer *(unison)*

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Second Scripture Reading: John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Community of Peace

CASEY THOMPSON

Closing Hymn 254 *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*

(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

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Benediction

Postlude

Processional

NATE ZULLINGER, ORGAN

Dale Wood

upcoming events

WINGS SUNSET SOCIAL ON THURSDAY, MAY 13 FROM 5:30-7:30 PM

Join us on the veranda and grounds of Hilltop House in Berwyn. We will "sip, snack, and stroll" on the paved paths to walk the park. Refreshments will be provided. This will be a great way for women to reconnect and see each other in an outdoor environment. It is sponsored by WinGS and is free. We encourage all women to join this easy, relaxing evening. Sign up on WPC's website: waynepres.org

programs

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Beginning Wednesday April 7 – May 12

Weekly Classes on Wednesdays via Zoom

All books are available for pick up in the WPC vestibule

Women in the Word - 10:00 AM

Women after Work - 7:30 PM

Cappuccino with Colossians by Sandra Glahn

Led by Angela Tait. Contact Angela (taimaryangela333@gmail.com) for Zoom invitation and books

Word Before Work

Bi-Weekly Class on Wednesdays via Zoom is ongoing through May

From Widows to Warriors by Lynn Japinga

Contact Nancy Dever (nancydever@comcast.net) for Zoom invitation and books

Led by Katy Shevel

MOM's Bible Study on Thursdays starting April 8

4:00 PM

Only Love Today by Rachel Macy Stafford

Led by Debbie Rothkopf (debbierothkopf@aol.com). Contact Debbie for Zoom invitation and books.

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245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

1 "Christ the Lord is risen to - day!"
 2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,
 4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!

All cre - a - tion, join to say:
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won,
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Praise to you by both be given,

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,
 Death in vain for - bids him rise,
 Je - sus died, our souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ev - ery knee to you shall bow,

Sing, O heavens, and earth re - ply,
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ris - en Christ, tri - um - phant now.

Originally printed as eleven four-line stanzas without alleluias, this Easter text was written during the first year following the author's life-changing conversion experience, yet it already shows his enduring emphasis on the theme of love. This lively Welsh tune sets it well.

254 That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the sun shone
 2 He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the
 3 From ev - ery weap - on death can wield, your own re -

out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
 glo - rious wounds a - bide, the to - kens true which
 deemed for - ev - er shield; O Lord of all, with

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.
 made it plain their Lord in - deed was risen a - gain.
 us a - bide in this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.

These Eastertide stanzas are derived from a longer Latin text that was one of the earliest hymns written especially for a season of the church year. They are set here to a tune with Christmas associations, a means of linking the two great festivals of the Christian year.