



ORDER OF WORSHIP
3rd Sunday of Easter
Sunday, April 18, 2021 - 9:30 am Online Service

Prelude

Berceuse

Louis Vierne

TIM EVERS, ORGAN

Call to Worship *(responsively)*

(from Psalm 4)

Answer us when we call, God.

Harbor us in our distress; be gracious to us.

You have put gladness in our heart when we were in trouble.

Alleluia! Let us rejoice!

+ Opening Hymn 231 *Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers*

SUO GAN

(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

+ Prayer of Confession *(in unison)*

Lord of resurrection, we are afraid to do what is right. We neglect the welfare of your children, ignore the plight of your creation, and trample on the commandments you have given us. We have sinned by what we have done and what we have left undone. Teach us, like the disciples to trust in Jesus' resurrection. Forgive us, Lord, and send your risen Son to us that we might turn to him and know peace. 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 3:12-19

When Peter saw it, he addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.

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

See What Love (fr. St Paul)

QUARTET

Felix Mendelssohn

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: Luke 24:36b-48

While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Opened their Minds

CASEY THOMPSON

+ Closing Hymn 295 *Go to the World!*

(Hymn located at the end of the bulletin)

SINE NOMINE

+ Benediction

Postlude

Paraphrase on a Chorus from Judas Maccabeus

Alexandre Guilmant

NATE ZULLINGER, ORGAN

upcoming events

WPC Book Club Discussion – Thursday, April 22 – 10AM or 7PM

The discussion for *Everything Happens for a Reason*, by Kate Bowler will be on April 22. Please choose a discussion time 10:00am or 7:00pm and email Janice Mack (gardengirl65@gmail.com) to RSVP. The book is pretty short and there is plenty of time to still read and participate. We are grateful that Rev Casey Thompson will be facilitating the discussion!

"CONCERT IN THE COURTYARD" – SATURDAY, MAY 1 – 2:30 PM

The Music Department and the Deacons are sponsoring a concert by The Blue Line Quartet on Saturday May 1 at 2:30 pm in the Courtyard outside the Connector adjacent to Lancaster Ave. All are invited to come listen to some wonderful music by these incredible string instrument musicians in an outdoor setting. Space is limited so we ask that you RSVP by calling Lynne Eckman at 610-688-8700 x225. Masks and physical distancing will be required and please note the church will not be open. This is an outside event only. Rain date is Thursday May 6 at 5 pm.

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

RETURN TO IN-PERSON WORSHIP WILL BEGIN SUNDAY, MAY 16

If you are planning on coming for our in-person worship services you will be required to make a reservation by registering online beginning May 3, 2021. If you are unable to do so online you can also call Mary Lou Kendus 610-688-8700 x212 to register starting May 3. We encourage you to keep a look out for details regarding guidelines and procedures on the church website.

opportunities to serve

GOOD NEWS FROM WAYNE'S PARTNER SCHOOL, MITCHELL, IN SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA!

With the help of Wayne members and others, funding for Mitchell's 49 eighth graders' graduation celebration has reached the halfway mark. We would like to step up and help raise the remaining \$7,000 to fund for each graduate their cap and gown, graduation portrait, a book bag, Mitchell hoodie and T-shirt, a backpack, mindfulness cards and a journal. For information on how to make a donation, please visit the WPC website or contact Jane Beatty, 610-688-7529, jnbeatty@verizon.net or Wendy Norman, 610-608-2572, wnormanpa@yahoo.com.

programs

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Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers 231



1 Christ has ris-en while earth slum-bers; Christ has ris-en where hope died,
 2 Christ has ris-en for the peo - ple whom he died to love and save;
 3 Christ has ris-en and for ev - er lives to chal-lenge and to change



as he said and as he prom-ised, as we doubt-ed and de - nied.
 Christ has ris-en for the wom-en bring-ing flowers to grace his grave.
 all whose lives are messed or man-gled, all who find re - li-gion strange.



Let the moon em-brace the bless-ing; let the sun sus-tain the cheer;
 Christ has ris - en for dis - ci - ples hud-dled in an up - stairs room.
 Christ is ris - en, Christ is pres - ent mak - ing us what he has been:



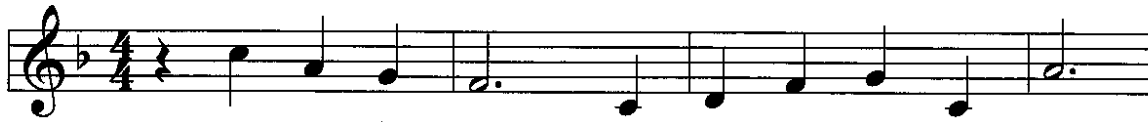
let the world con-firm the ru-mor: Christ is ris - en, God is here!
 He whose word in-spired cre-a-tion can't be si-lenced by the tomb.
 ev - i - dence of trans-for-ma-tion in which God is known and seen.



Beginning with rather conventional Easter imagery, this text moves into unexpected territory by declaring that Christ's Resurrection is for "all whose lives are messed or mangled, all who find religion strange." The name of this traditional Welsh melody simply means "lullaby."

Go to the World!

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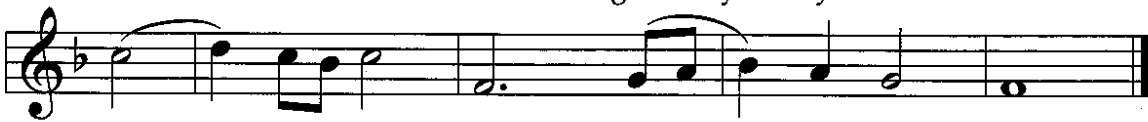
1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day,
 for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Based on Christ's great commission (Matthew 28:19-20), this text was written for a Convocation of Emmanuel College in Toronto, the largest theological school of the United Church of Canada, a denomination formed by the union of Methodists, Congregationalists, and Presbyterians.