



Eastminster Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
April 12, 2020



EASTER SUNDAY

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY
April 12, 2020 10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

Prelude *"Cello Suite No. 3 - Sarabande"* *J.S. Bach*
Sandro Sidamonidze, Cello

Opening Words

Hymn #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,
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.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession *(Written by Jill Duffield, The Presbyterian Outlook)*

Loving God, our mourning is deep and our joy too long absent. Our wilderness journey has been long and chaotic, punctuated with fear and marked by confession. We confess that throughout this season of Lent and Holy Week, we have doubted your promises of peace and care. We capitulated to the evil all around us, unable to imagine that you could be doing a good, new thing in the middle of suffering. Forgive us for dwelling in Holy Saturday when we should have run to the tomb to discover that Easter Sunday will not be stopped. Quell our fear, embolden our witness, show us the way to Galilee where our Risen Christ will meet us.

(Silent prayer)

Declaration of God's Grace

Passing of the Peace

Take out your phone and text to a church member, friend or family member - "Christ is risen!"

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 31:1-6

Scripture Reading Mark 16:1-8

Sermon *"He Goes Before Us"*

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Hymn *This Easter Celebration*

This Easter Celebration

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2020

Aurelia

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1864

1. This Eas - ter ce - le - bra - tion is not like ones we've known.
2. No gath-ered choirs are sing - ing; no ban-ners lead the way.
3. Our joy won't come from wor - ship that's in a crowd-ed room
4. In all the grief and suf-fering, may we re-mem-ber well:
5. We thank you that on Eas - ter, your church is blessed to be

We pray in i - so - la - tion, we sing the hymns a - lone.
O God of love and prom - ise, where's joy this Eas - ter Day?
but from the news of wom - en who saw the emp - ty tomb.
Christ suf - fered cru - ci - fix - ion and faced the powers of hell.
a scat - tered, faith - ful bo - dy that's do - ing mi - ni - stry.

We're dis-tant from our neigh - bors— from wor - ship lead - ers, too.
With sanc - tu - a - ries emp - ty, may homes be-come the place
Our joy comes from di - sci - ples who ran with haste to see—
Each Eas - ter bears the pro-mise: Christ rose that glo - rious day!
In homes and in the pla - ces of help and heal - ing, too,

No flo - wers grace the chan - cel to set a fes - tive mood.
we pon - der re - sur - rec - tion and ce - le - brate your grace.
who heard that Christ is ris - en, and then, by grace, be - lieved.
Now no - thing in cre - a - tion can keep your love a - way.
we live the Eas - ter mes - sage by glad - ly serv - ing you.

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Joys and Concerns of the Congregation / Pastoral Prayer

Comment on Facebook if you have a joy or concern to be shared. You can also email or call the church with prayer concerns. Tomorrow we will send a list of prayer concerns over email to our community.

The 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 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.

Offering

Your offerings support the mission and ministry of Eastminster Presbyterian Church. You can give online by going to <http://www.eastminsterchurch.org/give/online-giving/>

Hymn #238

Thine is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con- quering Son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering
 to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

Charge & Benediction

We know that Jesus is present among us... *(repeat)*
even in this very home... *(repeat)*
We will not let fear be louder than love... *(repeat)*
but with glad hearts and rejoicing souls... *(repeat)*
we will sing God's praise... *(repeat)*
for we are Easter people... *(repeat)*

Postlude *"The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done"* Palestrina, arr. Berry

Participants in today's service:

Minister: Rev. Kristin Stroble
Director of Christian Education: Neil Myer
Pianist: Tamar Mikeladze
Hymn Accompanist: Jadrian Tarver
Cellist: Sandro Sidamonidze
Singers: Brian Major, Michelle Johnson, Kyle Wooten
Tech Guru: Heather Myer

Scripture Reading:

Matt, Cindy, Abby & Sam Nixon
Jen & Alida Wyble
Brian & Heather Heitman
Sophie Phillips
Neil, Heather, Lacy, & Laura Myer

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