

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

Almighty and ever-loving God, we rejoice in the mysteries of Easter and give thanks for this supper shared with the risen Christ. Strengthen our commitment to you and our service to others, that we may shine with resurrection joy.
In Jesus we live forever and in his name we pray.
Amen.

***HYMN 113** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!" *Tune: LLANFAIR*

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE Improvisation

WORSHIP LEADERS

Linda C. Loving Minister for Evangelism

Adam Fronczek Associate Pastor

The Vespers Choir

John W. W. Sherer Organist and Director of Music

The Andy Tecson Jazz Ensemble

Fourth Church welcomes Andy Tecson and his jazz ensemble to Vespers this evening. Andy has composed or arranged all the music for tonight's service.

A prayer service in the style of Taizé is held the fourth Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in Blair Chapel. The next service is Friday, April 24.

If you are visiting, a special word of welcome to you. If you have questions about the church or membership, please be in touch with Linda C. Loving, Minister for Evangelism, at 312.981.3399 (lloving@fourthchurch.org).

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vespers

6:30 p.m. Easter Sunday, April 12, 2009

A LIGHT IN THE CITY
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PRELUDE Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *Lyra Davidica*
Christ Is Alive! *Thomas Williams*
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today! *Robert Williams*

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: **Christ is risen!**

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Leader: Christ is risen!

People: **Christ is risen, indeed!**

All: **Alleluia, alleluia!**

***HYMN 123** "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" *Tune: EASTER HYMN*

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION (*unison*)

Almighty God, by your power Christ is raised from death to rule this world in love. We give you thanks for the hope we have in him and for his presence with us and for the promise that nothing, not even death, can separate us from your love. Forgive us for being dead to the needs of others, deaf to their cries for mercy, and driven by doubt and fear. Help us to trust the power of the risen Christ to change our lives and make us new.
In his name we pray. Amen.

KYRIE (*sung*) (*please see insert*)

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

AGNUS DEI (*sung*) (*please see insert*)