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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PRELUDE Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Christ Is Alive!

Lyra Davidica Thomas Williams

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

Robert Williams

CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Leader: Christ is risen!
People: Christ is risen!
Leader: Christ is risen!
People: Christ is risen!
Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen, indeed!

All: Alleluia, allelluia!

*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 **P**ARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news. People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. GLORIA (sung) (please see insert)

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

First Lesson Isaiah 25:6–9 (page 613, O.T.)

Leader: The Word of the Lord. People: **Thanks be to God.**

Solo "Sing unto the Lord" Andy Tecson

Second Lesson Mark 16:1–8 (page 51, N.T.)

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A CERTAIN SLANT OF LIGHT

*Hymn 108 "Christ Is Alive!" Tune: Truro

*Apostles Creed (unison)

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.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY SOLO

"What Shall I Render?" Andy Tecson

*Doxology (The Hymnal, 592)

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Minister: The Lord be with you. People: **And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Minister: . . . who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Sanctus (sung) (please see insert)

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.

THE COMMUNION

AGNUS **D**EI (sung) (please see insert)