

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent,  
personal preparation for the worship of God.*

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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

- Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals . . . . . Sigfrid Karg-Elert  
arr. Thomas Brantigan
- Prelude and Fugue in D Major . . . . . Johann Sebastian Bach
- Awake, Thou Wintry Earth. . . . . J. S. Bach  
arr. Roberta Bitgood
- We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight . . . . . James Biery
- Canzon septimi toni . . . . . Giovanni Gabrieli  
from *Sacrae Symphonie* arr. Robert King

### Introit

“Alleluia. The Lord Is Risen Indeed” . . . . . Iain Quinn  
*Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed; come, let us adore him, alleluia.*  
*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;*  
*as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

\*Doxology (*sung*). . . . . The Hymnal, 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Call to Worship

Minister: *The Lord is risen!*  
People: The Lord is risen indeed!  
Minister: *Our weeping through the night has ended.*  
People: Morning has broken!  
Minister: *The Lord is risen.*  
People: The Lord is risen indeed!

### \*Prayer of Praise

\*Hymn 232 . . . . . “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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*\*Stand as you are able.*

Litany of Confession

Leader: *O God, our plans and priorities do not always make space  
for your interruptions.*

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Leader: *We are accustomed to death and disappointment.  
We are well acquainted with cynicism and disillusionment.*

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Leader: *We are slow to believe your good news.  
We are scarred by false hopes.*

People: **Grant us your peace.**

Leader: *We confess our lack of trust, our limited vision,  
our uneasy comfort with spitefulness, our apathy to injustice.*

People: **We believe. Help our unbelief.**

Leader: *And yet you, O God, have created us for covenant keeping.  
You have created us for resurrection spotting.  
You have created us to live your Easter good news  
with everything we’ve got.*

People: **Forgive us. Forgive us, and help us live as a people shaped  
by your voice, your hope, your reign. Amen.**

Declaration of Pardon

Minister: *Friends, believe the good news.*

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

Concerns of the Church

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Listening for the Word

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Prayer for Illumination

Psalter *(responsively)*

Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24 . . . . . Old Testament, page 534

Anthem

“Since by Man Came Death” from *Messiah* . . . . . George Frideric Handel  
*Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.*

First Lesson

Isaiah 65:17–25 . . . . . Old Testament, page 654

\*Gloria Patri (*sung*). . . . . The Hymnal, 581  
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

Second Lesson

Luke 24:1–12. . . . . New Testament, page 84  
Minister: *The Word of the Lord*.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon. . . . . Shannon J. Kershner

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Responding to the Word

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\*Hymn 246 . . . . . “Christ Is Alive!”  
\*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*). . . . . Selections from Scripture  
(*Book of Common Worship*)

This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast:  
that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,  
that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day,  
and that he appeared first to the women,  
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,  
and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end.  
He is our Lord and our God. Amen.

Prayers of the People

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.

Prayer Response

“Amen” . . . . . Orlando Gibbons

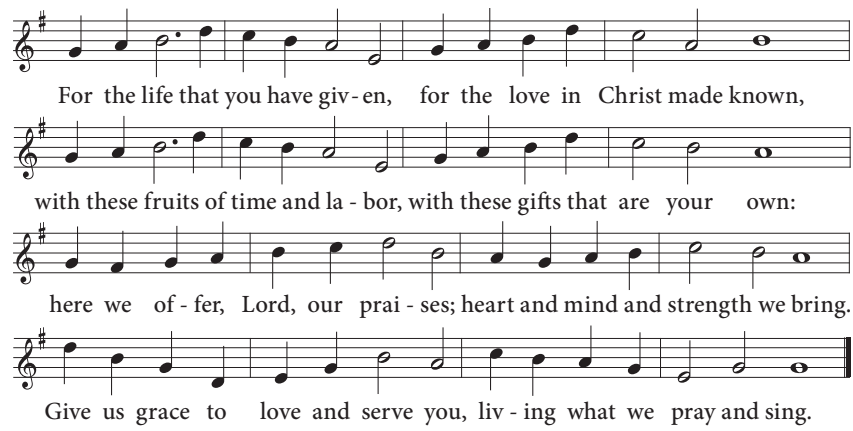
Offering

Offertory Anthem

“Worthy Is the Lamb” from *Messiah* . . . . . G. F. Handel

*Worthy is the Lamb that was slain and hath redeemed us to God by his blood, to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing. Blessing and honor, glory and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne and unto the Lamb, forever and ever. Amen.*

\*Presentation of the Offering and Response



For the life that you have giv-en, for the love in Christ made known,  
with these fruits of time and la-bor, with these gifts that are your own:  
here we of-fer, Lord, our prai-ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.  
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv-ing what we pray and sing.

\*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Almighty God, by your grace, accept the fruit of our labor  
and the offering of our lives in union with our risen Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you forever. Amen.

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Bearing the Word into the World

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\*Hymn 245 . . . . . “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”

\*Benediction

\*Closing Response (*Please remain standing for the closing response*)

“Hallelujah!” from *Messiah* . . . . . G. F. Handel

*Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ;  
and he shall reign forever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!*

Postlude

Toccata . . . . . Charles-Marie Widor  
from *Symphony V*

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8:00 Rocky Supinger, Victoria G. Curtiss, Shannon J. Kershner  
9:30 Victoria G. Curtiss, Ed Miller, Hardy H. Kim, Shannon J. Kershner  
11:30 Victoria G. Curtiss, Ed Miller, Hardy H. Kim, Shannon J. Kershner

# The Music Today

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Tower Brass; The Chancel Choir (8:00); The Morning Choir (9:30 and 11:30)  
John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music  
Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist  
Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

# Worship Notes

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