



2nd Sunday of Easter
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Whether you are worshiping in the sanctuary or online, at any time in the course of the service, you are invited to light a candle signifying a concern, a desire for healing, a confession, or a prayer of thanksgiving that, though private, you would like to remember in the midst of our worship.

*Please speak aloud the bold portions of the liturgy in the bulletin.
The asterisk * is an invitation for worshipers to rise in body or spirit as able.*

GATHERING TOGETHER

PRELUDE

Christ ist erstanden
Robert Lind
Paraclete Press, 2011

WELCOME

Peggy Carroll

INTROIT

Here in This Place
Marty Haugen
GIA Publications, Inc. 1982

*Here in this place the new light is streaming,
now is the darkness vanished away;
See in this space our fears and our dreaming
brought here to you in the light of the day.
Gather us in, the lost and forsaken; gather us in,
the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken;
We shall arise at the sound of our name.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Lighting the Candle
Word for Worship: recognize

Pre-K-5th Graders
Priscilla Burch

HYMN (*see p. 6*)

Our God, to Whom We Turn

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

God of Mercy and Grace,

**We carry burdens which are heavy for us to bear alone --
dismay over things we have left undone;
lingering pain of words spoken in haste or anger;
our regret for decisions, personal and corporate,
that have resulted in harm.**

**Changes we want to make go unmade,
for, alone, we do not stay the course.**

Be our help, our guardian, guide, and stay.

In this silence, let your loving mercy wash over us.

A TIME OF SILENCE FOR PERSONAL CONFESSION

Holy God, Create in us a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

The Holy One, our God, is merciful and gracious,
endlessly patient, loving and true.

Be at peace, your sins are forgiven, your spirit is renewed.

Friends in Christ, believe the good news:

in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Hymn 248 v. 1

Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!

Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.

In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.

Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

WE EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 30

Luke 24:13-35

SERMON

Charlene Heaton

WE RESPOND WITH DEDICATION

*HYMN No. 500

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

- 1. O walk with us along the road
When we are in despair
Then open up the word we need
Our troubled hearts repair.***
- 2. Be known to us in breaking bread
But do not then depart
Savior, abide with us, and spread
Your table in our hearts.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD'S PRAYER

Lori Tucker

**Our Mother and Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

OFFERING of GIFTS

*Reflect on your response to the work of Christ in the world today, and
consider making a commitment of time, talents, and resources.
If you choose to contribute to the work of Christ through UPC at this time,
on-line giving is available. See the announcements for more information.*

INVITATION

ANTHEM

Give Thanks

Henry Smith

Integrity's Hosanna! Music, 1978

*Give thanks with a grateful heart;
give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son;
And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
let the poor say, "We are rich
because of what the Lord has done for us!"*

***DOXOLOGY**

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly hosts;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *(responsive)*

**We give thee but thine own, whatever the gift may be.
All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O God, from thee.
In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

***HYMN No. 257**

The Risen Christ

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE

***CHARGE** *(responsive)*

God is...
Everywhere.

POSTLUDE

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
Mary McDonald
Lorenz Publishing, 2013

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning! If you are a member of UPC please remain seated to participate in the congregational meeting immediately following worship to elect elders and deacons for the Class of 2028. Those up for election for a three year term are:

Elders Class of 2028

Griff Campbell
Adam Knapp
Jan Risher
Darlene Rowland
Lori Tucker

Deacons Class of 2028

Stacy Fontenot
Anita Melon
Kate Midkiff
Tom Warner

*Many thanks to Kristin Savicki and Ignace Agbadan
for their work livestreaming the service this morning.*


Our God, to Whom We Turn

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WAS FRAG' ICH NACH DER WELT 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6

Edward Grubb, 1925

Ahasuerus Fritsch, 1679
Harm. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1724




1. Our God, to whom we turn When wea - ry with il - lu - sion,
2. Thou art Thy - self the truth; Though we, who fain would find Thee,
3. All beau - ty speaks of Thee: The moun - tains and the riv - ers,
4. Thou hid - den fount of love, Of peace, and truth, and beau - ty,



Whose stars se - rene - ly burn A - bove this earth's con - fu - sion,
Have tried, with thoughts un - couth, In fee - ble words to bind Thee,
The line of lift - ed sea, Where spread - ing moon - light quiv - ers,
In - spire us from a - bove With joy and strength for du - ty;



Thine is the might - y plan, The stead - fast or - der sure,
It is be - cause Thou art We're driv - en to the quest;
The deep - toned or - gan blast That rolls through arch - es dim,
May Thy fresh light a - rise With - in each cloud - ed heart,



In which the world be - gan, En - dures, and shall en - dure.
Till truth from false - hood part, Our souls can find no rest.
Hints of the mu - sic vast Of Thine e - ter - nal hymn.
And give us o - pen eyes To see Thee as Thou art.

The Rev. Charlene Heaton, H.R. grew up in Indianapolis, holds degrees from Centre College of Kentucky, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, and the Presbyterian School of Christian Education. Ordained as a pastor in 1981, she served churches in Indiana, Missouri, Florida, and Baker, Louisiana. Her son and family live in S.C. She attends St. Alban's Chapel, and enjoys many kinds of traditional music and dance.

Easter Art Installation -

Throughout Easter we will continue to look at the hands that remind us both that we are held by God and that we are invited to walk through the door between grief and hope that the Resurrection offers us. Because those hands frame our beautiful window, we are reminded that the invitation is to go outside the church to do the work of the messy middle that is our calling because of the Resurrection. The butterflies, themselves a symbol of new life, are made of newsprint and painted with bright colors to remind us that while we must take into account bad news, we do not know what will come tomorrow. The light of Christ, unlit through Lent but now shining, leads the way so we can follow. Thanks to Caralyn Durham for her help with the banners; Christopher Cunningham, Patti Snyder, and Jim Hanifen for their help making the butterflies; and Richard Williams and Jaxon Clark for their help getting the butterflies into place.



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