



HARVEY BROWNE MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A community of believers making a difference by making disciples.



Second Sunday of Easter
April 11, 2021
10:30 AM

Bold text is read in unison.

GATHERING

*We gather as a community of faith to meet God in a new and fresh way.
We share joys and concerns and come into God's presence with song.*

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today!"
Allen Gilfert, Trumpet

arr. L. Brandenburg

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We worship in the Easter light,
for the shadow of death is no match for God's love.

Let us join our voices with the disciple Thomas:

"My Lord and my God!"

Easter people, Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

***OPENING PRAYER**

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

***HYMN 254**

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

1. That Easter day with joy was bright;
the sun shone out with fairer light
when, to their longing eyes restored,
the apostles saw their risen Lord.
2. He bade them see his hands, his side,
where yet the glorious wounds abide,
the tokens true which made it plain
their Lord indeed was risen again.
3. From every weapon death can wield,
your own redeemed forever shield;
O Lord of all, with us abide
In this our joyful Eastertide.

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO CONFESSION

The Spirit of God helps us in our weakness, interceding with sighs too deep for words. Trusting in God's grace, let us confess where we have fallen short, that we might hear again the good news of God's forgiveness and God's love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Christ, you rose from the depths of suffering, from death itself,
to breathe peace upon your disciples.

Still, O Lord, we cannot trust your promise of peace.

Still, O Lord, we do not follow in the way of your love.

Forgive us when we fail to be people of resurrection.

Forgive us when we fail to recognize your grace.

Show us your hands and your feet once more, and teach us to be your body in the world.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Hear the good news of God's promise: I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh.

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God. **Amen.**

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

*SUNG RESPONSE

HYMN 245

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

LLANFAIR

1. "Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia!
All creation, joy to say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

THE WORD

We hear the stories of our faith in scripture, song, prayer, and sermon.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Julie Rousseau

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE

Here ends the reading. **Amen.**

1 John 1:1-22

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE

The Gospel of the Lord. **May Jesus Christ be praised.**

John 20:19-31

SERMON

Rev. Christine Coy Fohr

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostle's Creed)

**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.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“These Things Did Thomas Count as Real”
Allen Gilfert, Trumpet

Elkanah Dare

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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.

SENDING

Renewed and refreshed by our experience with God, we go into the world to share God’s love.

*HYMN 817

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

DUNLAP’S CREEK

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| 1. We walk by faith and not by sight;
with gracious words draw near,
O Christ, who spoke as none e’er spoke:
“My peace be with you here.” | 3. Help then, O Lord, our unbelief;
and may our faith abound
to call on you when you are near
and seek where you are found. |
| 2. We may not touch your hands and side,
nor follow where you trod;
but in your promise we rejoice
and cry, “My Lord and God!” | 4. And when our life or faith is done,
in realms of clearer light
may we behold you as you are,
with full and endless sight. |

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Day of Arising”
Allen Gilfert, Trumpet

Carl Schalk

** = Those who are able are encouraged to stand.*

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