

Cedar Heights Community Presbyterian Church
April 4, 2021 – Online Service
Easter Sunday

Prelude

“An Easter Celebration”
Metropolitan Brass and Organ

Arranged by Joel Raney

Word of Welcome

Dr. Dave Kivett

Call to Worship *Responsive reading between pastors*

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

One: The kingdom of the world has become
the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ.

All: And he shall reign for ever and ever!

Hymn – 232, v. 1, 2, 4

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

**Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

Our Shortcomings (a guided moment of silence)

**God of everlasting life, we confess that we continue in the ways of death.
You have announced your new creation, but we put our hope in former things.
You have opened the door of the tomb, but we close our hearts to our neighbors.
Forgive us, God of grace.
Make us people of the resurrection, proclaiming the destruction of death
and the gift of glorious new life in you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

God's Forgiveness (From Romans 8:38-39)

One: I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present,
nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God. We are an Easter people!**

Response – Hymn 581

“Glory Be to the Father”

**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.**

Sharing God’s Peace

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Acts 10:34-43 and Mark 16:1-8

Time for Children

Anthem

“Easter Anthem”
Sanctuary Choir and Friends

William Billings

Sermon

“Easter in the Weeds”

Dr. Dave Kivett

Hymn – 238

“Thine Is the Glory”

**Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.**

(Refrain)

**Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.**

**Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.**

(Refrain)

**No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.**

(Refrain)

Affirmation of Faith – The Apostles’ Creed

Rev. Johnny Janssen

***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.***

Prayers of the People and for the World – Portugal

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.***

An Offering to God

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Breaking of the Bread and Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Hymn - 510

"We Gather Here in Jesus' Name"

**We gather here in Jesus' name;
his love is burning in our hearts like living flame;
for through the loving Son the Father makes us one:
Come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.**

**No one is a stranger here; everyone belongs.
Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive all wrongs.**

**He joins us here; he breaks the bread;
the Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;
the one we love the most is now our gracious host:
Come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.**

**We are now a family, of which the Lord is head.
Though unseen, he meets us here in the breaking of the bread.**

**We'll gather soon where angels sing;
we'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;
now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:
Come, take the bread; come drink the wine; come, share the Lord.**

Blessing and Sending

Postlude

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

Arranged by Althouse

Steve Tripolino, trumpet

Sue Feltman, organ

Participants

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