

Responding to the Word of God

†Affirmation of Faith

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.

And being found in human form he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death - even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth, and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

†Hymn of Affirmation #240: *Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks*

Offering Our Gifts to God

Offertory Music: *Christ is Risen*

J. S. Bach

†Doxology #609: *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

†Prayer of Dedication

Taking the Word of God into the World

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer (p. 35)

†Hymn of Inspiration #248: *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

†Charge

†Benediction

†Response: *Our Strength and Our Song*

Mark Patterson

†Postlude: *Noel*

Louis Claude Da'Quin

Alex Lewis, Organist (Current recipient Noel Wilkins Scholarship, San Jacinto College)

Musicians

Trumpets – Jacob Saldana, Alex Lewis
Violin - Phil Hilson

Trombones – Jordan Lamb, Jose
Rodriguez, Christian Dixon

First Presbyterian Church of Pasadena

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter

March 27, 2016

10:30 am

The strife is o'er, the battle done;
the victory of life is won;
the song of triumph has begun.
Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,
from death's dread sting thy servants free,
that we may live, and sing to thee:
Alleluia!

(Latin hymn)



Leading in Worship Today...

Rev. Jim Currie Preaching
Jo Ann Currie, Liturgist

Confirmants Trey Cooper, Darcy McPhail, & Cole Reed, Liturgist
Marilyn Wilkins, Music Director
Martha Braswell, Organist
Barry Webb, Audio-Visual Ministry

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Service for the Lord's Day

Gathering Around the Word of God

Welcome and Life of the Church

Prelude: *Hymn to Joy*

Handbells & Brass

arr. Keller

Introit: *Christ is Risen!*

Lloyd Larson

† Call to Worship:

Leader: Mary Magdalene discovered the empty tomb.

All: Alleluia!

Leader: Peter ran to the tomb and was amazed.

All: Christ is risen!

Leader: God raised Christ from the dead on the third day.

All: Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed!

† Hymn of Praise #232: *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

Corporate Prayer of Confession:

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.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Friends, believe and live the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

† Glory Be to The Father (Gloria Patri) #580

† Sharing the Peace of Christ

Chancel Time with Children

"Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love.
Praise Him, praise Him, all ye little children, God is love, God is love."

Recognition of Confirmands

Anthem: *The Day of Resurrection*

Daniel Kallman

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,
the passover of gladness, the passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free,
our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Let hearts be purged of evil that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light,
and list'ning to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and hearing, may raise the glad refrain.

Now let the heav'ns be joyful, let earth its son begin,
the round world keep high triumph and all that is therein.
Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend;
Christ the Lord has risen, our joy now has no end!

All praise to God the Father, all praise to Christ, the Son,
all praise to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One!
Let all the ransomed number fall down before the throne,
and honor, pow'r, and glory ascribe to God alone.
Alleluia! Amen!

Proclaiming the Word of God

Prayer for Illumination #288: *Spirit of the Living God*

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

First Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (p. 815)

Sermon Lesson: Luke 24:1-12 (p. 748)

Sermon: "The Prodigal God"

Rev. Jim Currie