#### MORNING WORSHIP

April 21, 2019 Half past Eight O'Clock

# **Easter Sunday**

When the prelude begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation. Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE "Crown Him with Many Crowns" arr. Dan Marvin

Eric Millard, trumpet; Gay Pappin, organ

\*CALL TO WORSHIP adapted from Roddy Hamilton

Leader: When the world was young at that first sunrise, the light held a promise

of new days and fresh mornings- the Word spoke.

Congregation: When the Word spoke, creation sparked and Alleluias unfolded-

the dawn was set free.

Leader: When the dawn was set free, the trees clapped their hands, mountains bowed

and the birds sang a new song-fresh every morning.

Congregation: Fresh every morning, the day holds a hope that it belongs to God.

This day holds the promise of a new beginning.

Leader A new beginning, is the song of the morning that paints the shadows of night

gold and green- for the earth rejoices.

Congregation: The earth rejoices, for stones have rolled, tombs have been emptied, and

angels are whispering- death has been conquered.

Leader: Death has been conquered and resurrection has left footprints in the dew that tell us-

He has gone ahead of us. He is not among the dead. He is not in the tomb.

This is the day the Lord has made!

Congregation: Let us rejoice, and be glad in it!

Leader: Christ is risen!

Congregation: Christ is risen indeed!

+\*HYMN 123 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (EASTER HYMN)

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*LITANY OF CONFESSION adapted from *A Sanctified Art* 

Leader: O God of new life, forgive us.

We need Easter like the earth needs the sun.

Congregation: You give us unending love, and we turn it into a commodity.

You give us mystery, and we force it into certainty.

You give us grace but we hold grudges.

You give us light and we ration it out to those we believe deserve it.

Leader: O God of grace, forgive us.

Congregation: The earth doesn't deserve the sun.

We pollute her skies and poison the air.

Leader: And yet, day after day, she keeps coming back.

Day after day, she warms our skin, lights the night and draws us in.

Congregation: This is Easter.

We have not earned love,

And yet, love could not stay away.

The stone had to roll, The dawn had to break,

Love had to win.

Leader: O God, we thank You, for this light that breaks through the night-

this love that cannot stay away. Amen.

\*THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON (unison)

Psalm 23 KJV

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul:

He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me;

Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel!

Congregation: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

\*SONG OF RESPONSE HYMN 106 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

(ALLELUIA NO. 1)

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to Children's Worship. They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Luke 24:1-12, pew Bible p. 964

SERMON "From Now On"

Lori Archer Raible

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

"You Raise Me Up"

arr. by Joseph Martin

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of Your Son, You overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new. We dedicate these offerings as tokens of the breaking dawn of Christ. May our gratitude shine forth by our joyful giving. Grant that we who celebrate the living Christ may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through Him who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. Amen.

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 122 "Thine Is the Glory" (JUDAS MACCABEUS)

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Allegro" from *Concerto in D, ER 188* Giuseppe Torelli Eric Millard, trumpet; Gay Pappin, organ

\*Those who are able please stand.

+Ushers may seat late worshipers

#### SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church);
2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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Christy Parbst, Steve Randall, Jim Williams,	Andrew McLellan, Jay Pfeifer,	Hunter Miller, Erin Mills, Daniel Smith,
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