

Date: April 1, 2018 10:30 AM Service

GATHERING

Prelude-

Thine Is The Glory

Arr. Lani Smith

Melanie Smith, piano

Greeting

God is good.
All the time.
 And all the time.
God is good.

Call to Worship

Hallelujah! Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!
 God has said a resounding "Yes!" to the world!
Come, let us worship God.

*Hymn #232 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

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

3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
 our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
 Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
 where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

2. 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!

4. 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!

*Prayer of the Day

God of abundant hope and promise, you envision a world for us filled with beauty. Beautiful blooming plants, a rainbow of foods to eat. God, *we open our hands*, placing them before you and asking for what we need to appreciate the beauty in the world. God, we hold our hearts, *placing our hands to heart* and asking for what we need to appreciate the beauty in ourselves. God, we *hold our hands to our sides and clasp the hands of those beside us*, asking for what we need to appreciate the beauty in one another. Open our eyes, God of illumination. Open our hearts, God of radical hope. Open our hands, God of love. We offer you ourselves, just as we hope that you will use us now and in the days to come. Amen.

*The Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you. (A sign of peace is exchanged.)

***Response: #589 Alleluia, Alleluia**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia.

Now the Lord is risen indeed.

Aleluya, aleluya.

Aleluya, aleluya.

Aleluya, aleluya.

El Señor resucitó.

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Children's Chat

Rita Boyer, Certified Educator

Second Reading John 20:1-18

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The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Unexpected Encounters

Rev. Dr. Rick Boyer

Hymn #485 *We Know That Christ is Raised

**1. We know that Christ is raised
and dies no more.**

Embraced by death he broke
its fearful hold,
and our despair he turned
to blazing joy. Alleluia!

**2. We share by water in
his saving death.
Reborn we share with him
an Easter life
as living members of
a living Christ. Alleluia!**

**3. The Father's splendor clothes
the Son with life.**

The Spirit's power shakes
the church of God.
Baptized we live with God
the Three in One. Alleluia!

**4. A new creation comes
to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes
on flesh and blood.
The universe, restored
and whole, will sing: Alleluia!**

***A Brief Statement of Faith**

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,

healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***Gloria Patri - 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.

Offering

Musical Offering

Risen Today!
Chancel Choir
Melanie Smith, piano

By Dan Forrest

***Praise God (Hymn #608)**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Response (on insert): *Santo/Holy*

Leader: Santo, Santo, Santo

All: Santo Santo, Santo

Leader: es el Señor, Dios del universo

All: es el Señor, Dios del universo

Leader: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

All: Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Leader: Hosana en el cielo

All: Hosana en el cielo.

Leader: Blest is he who comes,

All: Blest is he who comes,

Leader: Comes in the name of the Lord;

All: Comes in the name of the Lord.

Leader: Hosana en el cielo.

All: Hosana en el cielo,

Leader: en el cielo;

All: en el cielo.

Response : Aclamacion Memorial/Memorial Acclamation

Leader: Dying you destroyed our death,

All: Dying you destroyed our death.

Leader: rising you restored our life,

All: rising you restored our life.

Leader: En gloria ven, Señor Jesús

All: En gloria ven, Señor Jesús

Leader: Ven, Señor Jesús.

All: Ven, Señor Jesús.

Response on Insert: Doxologia Y Amen/Doxology and Amen

Leader: forever, amén.

All: forever, amen.

Leader: Todos cantamos Amén.

All: Todos cantamos Amén.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

Communion Music

Easter Proclamation (The Risen Christ) arr. Stephen DeCesare
Brass Quartet**Prayer after Communion****Thank you, O God, for giving us communion with our risen and glorious Lord.****Now send us out to be a sign of the new life that has come into the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.****SENDING****Sending the Church into Mission**

The Mission of Prospect Church

To be a family in Christ reaching out to all with love, prayer, and service. Through worship, education, mission, and fellowship, we experience God's love, forgiveness, grace, and call.***Hymn #248 Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna****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.****2. Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.****Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.****Drink the wine of resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend.****Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.****3. Christ is risen! Earth and heaven
nevermore shall be the same.****Break the bread of new creation
where the world is still in pain.****Tell its grim, demonic chorus:
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the First and Last is with us.
Sing Hosanna everyone!*****Benediction and Congregational Response***Hallelujah Chorus from The Messiah***G.F. Handel****Postlude***Holy, Holy, Holy*

arr. Mark Hayes and Marvin Gaspard

Melanie Smith, piano

Brass Quintet