

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

April 11, 2021

Preparation for Worship

Prelude *Crown Him with Many Crowns with Crown Him King of Kings*
Nancy Ferdman, Pianist

Welcome & Announcements

*Prayer of Invocation

Holy God, We've celebrated Easter day and our memories remind us that Christ lives! Thank you for raising Jesus to new life and for the promise that we, too, shall be brought from our tombs. We open our minds to your enlivening presence. Amen.

*Call to Worship

Leader: In Jesus Christ, a light of hope shines brightly in all the world.

People: May the light of Jesus Christ shine brightly upon us.

Leader: May this light nourish and guide us.

People: May Christ's light show us our pathway to new life.

All: Let us now worship in the joy of Christ's light shining brightly for us

Hymn Of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns
around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name,
in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
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*Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you see into our hearts. You see the true selves we try to hide from others, the sins we fear would destroy our images, the evils that lurk so deep within us we can scarcely name them, the unholy habits that have been with us so long that they no longer prick our consciences. But you also see in us Jesus Christ, the Holy One who took on our sin and covers us in his righteousness. Forgive us for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior.

***Responsive Assurance of Pardon**

**All: On mountaintops and in valleys, in our homes and in our hearts,
God knows us better than we know ourselves, and God forgives us
when we cannot forgive ourselves.**

Leader: By God's mercy, we are forgiven; by God's mercy, we are made whole; by God's mercy, we are equipped to serve others. Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Children's Time

The Act of Offering

Offertory

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Kathy Burns, Solo

Craig Courtney

Prayer of Dedication

The Word of God Proclaimed

Scripture

1 John 1:1-2:2

Sermon

Forgiven

Rev. Joy Laughridge

Response Of God's People

Prayers of the People and 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.

Hymn of Commitment

The Day of Resurrection!

The day of resurrection!
Earth, tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness,
the passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
from earth unto the sky,
our Christ hath brought us over,
with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil,
that we may see aright
the Lord in rays eternal
of resurrection light;
and listening to his accents,
may hear, so calm and plain,
his own "All hail!" and, hearing,
may raise the victor strain.
Now let the heavens be joyful!
Let earth the song begin!
Let the round world keep triumph,
and all that is therein!
Let all things seen and unseen

their notes in gladness blend,
for Christ the Lord hath risen,
our joy that hath no end.

Blessing and Benediction

Postlude

Come, People of the Risen King
Nancy Ferdman, Pianist

The Floral Arrangement in the Chancel this morning is given by Mary and Tom Abboud to the glory of God and in honor of their grandson Steven Abboud's 21st birthday.

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