

*The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent,  
personal preparation for the worship of God.*

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## Gathering around the Word

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### Prelude

Fanfare and Chorus . . . . .	Dieterich Buxtehude arr. Robert King
Prelude, Fugue, and Chaconne . . . . .	D. Buxtehude
Grand Chorus Dialogue . . . . .	Eugène Gigout arr. Gary Olson
Saraband for the Morning of Easter . . . . .	Herbert Howells
Alleluia . . . . .	Jacob Händl arr. George Wiskirchen

### Introit

“Christ Is Arisen from the Dead” . . . . . Melchior Vulpus  
arr. Clarence Dickinson

*Christ is arisen from the dead, hallelujah!*  
*Christ, of the church the living head, hallelujah!*

\*Doxology (*sung*). . . . . The Hymnal, 606

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: *This is the good news: the grave is empty, Christ is risen!*

People: Alleluia!

Leader: *This is the good news: the light shines in the gloom,  
and the gloom can never put it out.*

People: Alleluia!

Leader: *This is the good news: once we were no people,  
now we are God’s people!*

People: Alleluia!

Leader: *Let us worship our Easter God.*

### \*Prayer of Praise

\*Hymn 232 . . . . . “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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*\*Stand as you are able.*

## Litany of Confession

Leader: *O God, our plans and priorities do not always make space for your interruptions.*

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Leader: *We are accustomed to death and disappointment. We are well acquainted with cynicism and disillusionment.*

People: **Have mercy on us.**

Leader: *We are slow to believe your good news. We are scarred by false hopes.*

People: **Grant us your peace.**

Leader: *We confess our lack of trust, our limited vision, our uneasy comfort with spitefulness, our apathy to injustice.*

People: **We believe. Help our unbelief.**

Leader: *And yet you, O God, have created us for covenant keeping. You have created us for resurrection spotting. You have created us to live your Easter good news with everything we've got.*

People: **Forgive us. Forgive us, and help us live as a people shaped by your voice, your hope, your reign. Amen.**

## Declaration of Pardon

Minister: *Friends, believe the good news.*

People: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

## Concerns of the Church

### Anthem

“Alleluia” . . . . . D. Buxtehude

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## Listening for the Word

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### Prayer for Illumination

Psalter (*responsively*)

Psalm 118:1–2, 14–24 . . . . . Old Testament, page 534

\*Gloria Patri (*sung*). . . . . The Hymnal, 581

**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.**

### Scripture Lesson

John 20:1–18 . . . . . New Testament, page 108

Minister: *The Word of the Lord.*

People: **Thanks be to God.**

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## Responding to the Word

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\*Hymn 246 . . . . . “Christ Is Alive!”

\*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*). . . . . Selections from Scripture  
(*Book of Common Worship*)

This is the good news which we have received,  
in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast:  
that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,  
that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day,  
and that he appeared first to the women,  
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,  
and then to many faithful witnesses.

We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.  
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end.  
He is our Lord and our God. Amen.

### Prayers of the People

#### The Lord’s Prayer (*unison*)

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.

#### Prayer Response

“Alleluia, Amen” . . . . . Parke S. Barnard

#### Offering

#### Offertory Anthem

“Ye Choirs of New Jerusalem” . . . . . Charles V. Stanford

*Ye choirs of new Jerusalem, your sweetest notes employ, the Paschal victory to hymn, in strains of holy joy. For Judah’s lion bursts his chains, crushing the serpent’s head; and cries aloud through death’s domains to wake the imprisoned dead. Devouring depths of hell their prey at his command restore; his ransomed hosts pursue their way where Jesus goes before. Triumphant in his glory now to him all power is given; to him in one communion bow all saints in earth and heaven. While we, his people, praise our King, his mercy we implore, within his palace bright to bring and keep us evermore. All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son, all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee; while endless ages run. Alleluia. Amen.*

\*Presentation of the Offering and Response

For the life that you have giv-en, for the love in Christ made known,  
 with these fruits of time and la-bor, with these gifts that are your own:  
 here we of-fer, Lord, our prai-ses; heart and mind and strength we bring.  
 Give us grace to love and serve you, liv-ing what we pray and sing.

\*Prayer of Dedication (*unison*)

Gracious God, the gift of resurrection reminds us  
 that all we possess comes to us by your grace.  
 May these gifts and offerings serve as signs of our love and gratefulness.  
 May they be used to further your justice and love in the world.  
 And may we leave this place filled with new life  
 and share that new life with others. Amen.

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Bearing the Word into the World

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\*Hymn 245 . . . . . “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”

\*Benediction

\*Closing Response (*Please remain standing for the closing response*)

“Hallelujah!” from *Messiah* . . . . . G. F. Handel  
*Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
 The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ;  
 and he shall reign forever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords. Hallelujah!*

Postlude

Toccata from *Symphony V* . . . . . Charles-Marie Widor

*Gifts supporting Easter Sanctuary adornments have been made  
in memory and in honor of family, friends, and loved ones.*

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8:00 Matt Helms, Roberta Dawson, Victoria G. Curtiss, Shannon J. Kershner

9:30 Rocky Supinger, Ed Miller, Judith L. Watt, Shannon J. Kershner

11:30 Hardy H. Kim, Ed Miller, Nanette Sawyer, Shannon J. Kershner

## The Music Today

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Tower Brass; The Chancel Choir (8:00); The Morning Choir (9:30 and 11:30)

John W. W. Sherer, Organist and Director of Music

Thomas E. Gouwens, Associate Organist

Matthew Comerford, Artistic Director of Tower Brass

## Worship Notes

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