

NORTH CHRISTIAN CHURCH

(Disciples of Christ)

Second Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2009

Resurrection means Forgiveness

During the Maundy Thursday services, all were invited to confess their sins on paper which were then burned during the Declaration of Pardon.

Today all are invited to write a sin committed against you for which you have not been able to extend forgiveness, creating resentment and bitterness. Hold on to your paper until later in the service.

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

† All who are able please stand

GATHERING

Become to Us the Living Bread

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LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Evan Shaw

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kenya Mission Trip

Joshua Kiilu

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Soar we now where Christ has led, following our exalted Head;

People: made like him, like him we rise; ours the cross, the grave, the skies!

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

† HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

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† PRAYER OF ADORATION

Lord of life, submitting to death, you conquered the grave. By being lifted on a cross you draw all peoples to you. By being raised from the dead you restored to humanity all that we had lost through sin. Throughout these fifty days of Easter we proclaim the marvelous mystery of death and resurrection. For all praise is yours, now and throughout eternity. Amen.

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! (vs. 1)

Sandy Wilson

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Children, preschool through 5th grade, are invited forward for the Children's Sermon. Afterward, children grades 3-5 may return to their seats to continue worship. Children preschool – 2nd grade may go to LL 11 for Children's Worship.

FIRST READING 1 John 1:1-2:2 NT page 234
SECOND READING John 20:19-23 NT page 113
MUSICAL OFFERING *Every Morning is Easter Morning* Avery and Marsh
 Joyful Noise Choir
SERMON Dr. Lanny C. Lawler

† **HYMN/CONFESSION OF SIN** Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness # 253
 You are invited to come forward and place your paper in the metal container at the foot of the Christ table—at “the foot of the cross.” If you physically cannot come forward, place your paper in a pew offering envelope, seal it, and hand it to a neighbor coming forward. All papers will be burned at the declaration of pardon.

† **DECLARATION OF PARDON**

† **RESPONSE OF PRAISE** Celtic Alleluia F. O’Carroll, C. Walker



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† **THE PEACE** Turn and greet one another with a handclasp, saying:
 “The peace of Christ be with you”, and answering, “And also with you.”

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Congregational Response: **my Lord and my God**

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

COMMUNION HYMN Become to Us the Living Bread # 423

CALL TO OFFERING

OFFERING *He is Risen* Kenneth Jennings
 Chancel Choir

DOXOLOGY Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow # 50

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Introductory Dialogue

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Debbie Van Deventer, Elder

The Lord's Prayer

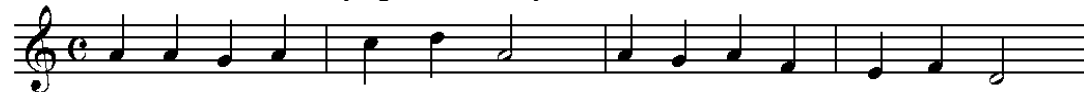
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Persons of all denominations are invited to the Table of the Lord. The bread is received individually; the deacon retains the tray as worshippers pass the loaf to those seated next to them. The cup is retained for partaking in unison following the Memorial Acclamation by the minister.

Memorial Acclamation Dying You Destroyed Our Death Richard Proulx



Dy - ing you de - stroyed our death, ri - sing you re - stored our life.



Lord Je - sus come in glo - ry.

Prayer after Communion

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- † HYMN The Strife is O'er # 221
- † TAKING CHRIST'S LIGHT INTO THE WORLD Evan Shaw
- † CHARGE
- † POSTLUDE *Gelobt sei Gott* John Leavitt