

THE ORDER FOR THE CELEBRATION
AND PUBLIC WORSHIP OF GOD ON

The Lord’s Day, April 26, 2015

The Christian Year: The Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:30 AM Morning Service

“The LORD reigns; He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed; He has put on strength as His belt. Your throne is established from of old; You are from everlasting. Mightier than the thunders of many waters, mightier than the waves of the sea, the LORD on high is mighty!” Psalm 93

[Please observe silence when the prelude begins.]

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

*Call to Worship Psalm 150

Minister: Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens!

People: Praise Him for His mighty deeds!

Minister: Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

People: Praise Him with lute and harp! Praise Him with strings and pipe!

Unison: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

*Hymn of Adoration No. 2

O Worship the King
(verse 6 a cappella)

*Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Prayer

O Father, You have loved me and sent Jesus to redeem me; O Jesus You have loved me and assumed my nature, shed Your own blood to wash away my sins; achieved righteousness to cover my unworthiness; O Holy Spirit, You have loved me and entered my heart, implanted there eternal life, revealed to me the glories of Jesus. Three persons and one God, I bless and praise You for love so unmerited, so unspeakable, so wondrous, so mighty to save the lost and raise them to glory. To You we offer unceasing praise, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

from Valley of Vision

*Affirmation of Faith The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of

Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Praise be to God!

*Gloria Patri Tune: Ode to Joy
Glory be to God the Father and to Christ His only Son;
Praise we, too, the Holy Spirit, binding all the Church as one:
As it was in the beginning, is for now and evermore!
Amen, Amen, Alleluia! Praise to God the Three in One!

Psalter Reading (responsive reading, p. 794) Psalm 29

*Hymn of Response SH No. 2
O Church, Arise!

The Prayers of Intercession

Unison: Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we Your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all Your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom You have made. We bless You for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for Your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace and for the hope of glory. Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of Thy truth and in the world to come life everlasting. Amen.

I ask your prayers for God’s people throughout the world; for our denomination; for this church; and for all ministers and missionaries, especially for Ted and Donna Robart and staff (the Women’s Refuge), the board and staff of CareNet, Amjad and Sarah Mahand (London, England), Jim Stewart (Missionary Flights Int.), Brent and Katie Webster (RUF, University of California, Berkeley), and the pastors of Tanzania. Pray for the Church.

Lord, hear our prayers.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the bereaved, the burdened and for the widows, orphans and prisoners. Pray for those in any need or trouble, especially our brothers and sisters throughout the world suffering persecution.

Lord, hear our prayers.

I ask your prayers for those who do not know Christ and for those who seek a deeper knowledge of Him. Pray that they may find and be found by Him.

Lord, hear our prayers.

I ask your prayers for our children and future generations which will be born to them. Pray that the knowledge of the Lord will fill the earth through them.

Lord, hear our prayers.

Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Lord, hear our prayers.

Pastoral Prayer

*Hymn of Thanksgiving SH No. 4
Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

*Doxology Tune: Old Hundredth
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Amen

*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

*Reading of the Holy Scriptures Romans 8:1-17

*The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon Rev. Mike Osborne
“ADOPTED BY GOD”

*Hymn of Praise No. 535
O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

*The Benediction

Postlude

*Denotes congregational standing, if able.

6:00 PM
Church Supper and Town Hall Meeting