



# ALL SAINTS

P R E S B Y T E R I A N

Think of death's power; the power of decay; the second law of thermodynamics; how nothing can stop death. Even the mountains eventually get worn down to pebbles. Even the sun and stars burn out and go on to decay. Yet someone came who overmatched death. Jesus Christ was swallowed by death and exploded in its bowels. Jesus Christ did not just defy death—he destroyed death. That's the reason why Paul can say later on in 1 Corinthians 15, 'O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?' Paul can look at the most powerful obstacle to life in the universe and actually taunt it.

## Sunday Schedule

9:00 Christian Formation  
10:00 Worship

### *Nursery for Ages 0-5 and Mother's Room:*

We have a safe and fun nursery located at the end of the hall in the Veritas Cafe. Please follow the signs. We use a Kid Check program for security.

*Video:* There is a video feed of the worship live-streamed to the Conference Room at the end of the hallway for anyone who needs to step out of the service.

## Psalm 103:15-17

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

May 12, 2019 | Fourth Sunday of Easter

## Reflection and Preparation

Easter for Christians is not just one day, but rather a 50-day period. The season of Easter, or Eastertide, begins at sunset on the eve of Easter and ends on Pentecost (June 9th), the day we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Easter is also more than just an extended celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. In the early church, Lent was a season for new converts to learn about the faith and prepare for baptism on Easter Sunday. The initial purpose of the 50-day Easter season was to continue the faith formation of new Christians.

Today, this extended season gives us time to rejoice and experience what it means when we say Christ is risen. It's the season when we remember our baptisms. We also contemplate the glorious possibilities of the resurrection which await. We are "Easter people," and we also want to become "Easter people," known for the life of the Risen Christ producing generosity and goodness through our community.

## Call to Worship

As for man, his days are like grass;  
he flourishes like a flower of the field;  
for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,  
and its place knows it no more.  
But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting  
on those who fear him.

This is the good news:  
the grave is empty; Christ is risen;  
the light now shines in the darkness,  
and the darkness can never put it out.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**He is risen indeed!**

# ACROSS THE LANDS

KEITH GETTY, STUART TOWNEND, 2002



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther from be-fore the world be-gan;  
2. Yet you left the gaze of an-gels, came to seek and save the lost—  
3. With a shout you rose vic-tor-ious, wrest-ling vic-t'ry from the grave,



Ev-'ry star and ev-'ry plan-et— has been fash-ioned by your hand.  
and ex-changed the joy of Heav-en— for the an-guish of a cross.  
and as-cend - ed in - to Heav-en,— lead-ing cap - tives in your way.



All cre - a - tion holds to-gether by the po - wer of your voice.  
With a prayer you fed the hun-gry, with a word you calmed the sea;  
Now you stand be - fore the Fa - ther, in - ter-ced - ing for your own;



Let the skies de - clare your glo-ry;— let the land and seas re - joice.  
Yet how si - lent - ly you suf-fered, that the guilt - y may go free.  
From each tribe and tongue and na-tion— you are lead-ing sin-ners home.



You're the Au - thor of cre - a - tion, you're the Lord of ev - 'ry man,—



and your cry of love rings out a-cross the lands.

## Psalm 150

Praying through the Psalms each week teaches us how to pray, using the prayer book of ancient Israel.

# Praying the Psalms

Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

**praise him in his mighty heavens!**

Praise him for his mighty deeds;

**praise him according to his excellent greatness!**

Praise him with trumpet sound;

**praise him with lute and harp!**

Praise him with tambourine and dance;

**praise him with strings and pipe!**

Praise him with sounding cymbals;

**praise him with loud clashing cymbals!**

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

**Praise the Lord!**

# CHRIST HAS ARISEN

HOWARD S. OLSEN, 1977



1. Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia, re - jice and praise him,  
2. For three long days the grave did its worst un - til its strength by  
3. "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. He has a - ris - en,  
4. Christ has a - ris - en to set us free. Al - le - lu - ia, to



al - le - lu - ia. For our re - deem - er, burst from the tomb,  
God was dis - persed. He who gives life did death un - der - go,  
this world to save. Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done.  
him prais - es be. Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing.



e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling the gloom.  
and in its con - quest his might did show.  
E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."  
He reigns tri - umph - ant, heav - en - ly King!



Let us sing praise to him with end-less joy. Death's fear-ful sting he has



come to de - stroy. Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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## Confession

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In order to stand before the holy God of the universe, we must come with clean consciences. Therefore, early in the service we confess our sins to him. This is not meant to be a time of maudlin groveling in our failures, but rather an expectant grasping of the grace of Jesus toward sinners like us. The assurance of pardon is the promise of the gospel in God's word to the penitent.

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## 1 Cor 15:20-22

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# Confession of Sin

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation, to you be praise and glory forever. As once you ransomed your people from Egypt and led them to freedom in the promised land, so now you have delivered us from darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your risen Son. May we, your Easter people, rejoice in this new day you have made, and praise you for your mighty acts. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Blessed be God forever. Amen.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you, in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

(You are invited to confess your sins silently.)

# Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and sisters in Christ,  
Christ has been raised from the dead:  
the firstfruits of those who sleep.  
For as by man came death:  
by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;  
for as in Adam all die:  
even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

**Thanks be to God!**

In Christ your sins are forgiven.  
And even now you have a high priest who is alive,  
making intercession for you in heaven. Amen.

# BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

CHARITIE BANCROFT, 1863



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect plea,  
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de-spair, and tells me of the guilt with - in,  
3. Be - hold him there! the ris-en Lamb, my per-fect, spot - less Right-eous-ness;



a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me.  
up - ward I look and see him there who made an end to all my sin.  
the great un - change - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace!



My name is grav - en on his hands, My name is writ - ten on his heart;  
Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died, my sin - ful soul is count-ed free;  
One with him - self, I can-not die, my soul is pur - chased by his blood;



I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can bid me thence de - part,  
for God the Just is sat - is - fied to look on him and par - don me,  
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God,



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to look on him and par - don me.  
with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

## Welcome and Announcements

### Offering

The offering is a way for members and friends of All Saints to support the church's mission and ministry. If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give. Please let us know you've joined us today, as well as any comments or prayer requests, by placing either the tear-off sheet at the back of the bulletin, or a comment card from under the seat, in the offering plate.

### Prayers for the Church and World

### Passing of the Peace

As recipients of God's grace, we gladly receive peace from him. In response to his grace, we also extend that grace to one another with a handshake or a hug. Traditionally, Christians have greeted one another during this time in the service with the phrase, "The peace of Christ be with you."

#### Offering

If you would like to give online, we now have a method for doing so. Text GIVE to 208-591-8044 and follow the instructions that are texted in reply.



## Sermon

And God spoke all these words: 2 “I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

3 “You shall have no other gods before me.

4 “You shall not make for yourself an idol in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. 5 You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, 6 but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.”

“The Second Word”  
Rev. Brad Chaney

What does the second commandment require?

The second commandment requires us to receive, respectfully perform, and preserve completely and purely all the regulations for religion and worship that God has established in his word. These include: prayer and thanksgiving in the name of Christ; the reading, preaching, and hearing of the word; the administration of and receiving the sacraments; church government and discipline; the administration and upkeep of the church; religious fasting; swearing by the name of God; and making vows to him. Also included are disapproving, denouncing, and opposing false worship and doing our best, in accordance with our position and calling in life, to eliminate it and all forms of idolatry.

What particular sins does the second commandment forbid?

The second commandment forbids: imagining, recommending, demanding, practicing, or in any way approving any religious worship not established by God himself...the creation of any likenesses of invented gods, any worship of them or service relating to them; and all superstitious contrivances. Also forbidden are: any departure from the true worship of God by adding to or taking away from it, whether by our own invention or received from some other tradition, and whether justified by antiquity, custom, devotional practice, good intentions, or any other excuse; simony and anything sacrilegious; and finally any neglect of, contempt for, hindering, or opposition to the worship and regulations established by God.

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### Exodus 20:1-6

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Paths to Joy: The Ten Commandments and the Lord's Prayer

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### Larger Catechism 108-109

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## The Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper, also called Communion or the Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ who acknowledge their sins against God and their neighbors, and confess their need for the grace of Christ to partake of this meal. If you are a Christian and haven't been baptized, please talk with one of our pastors. We would be honored to baptize you.

The Lord be with you.

**And with your spirit.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for the promise that when we eat and drink with believing hearts you will feed us the spiritual food of the most precious body and blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

We proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

Therefore, let us keep the feast!

### Communion

Wine is available in the inner two circles; grape juice is available in the outer ring. Gluten-free wafers are available in a basket on the back table.

We hold the bread and wine until everyone has been served in order to eat and drink together.

*We ask that you dispense with your cups by the back door following the service.*

Just as the climax of all history will be the Wedding Supper of the Lamb, we conclude our worship in the presence of God by feasting. The Spirit takes the common elements of bread and wine and feeds us spiritually with the body and blood of Jesus, for our nourishment and growth in grace, and so strengthens us to be sent out into the world as God's agents of his generous hospitality.

### Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth

Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

# A TABLE SET BY GOD

HERB FROMBACH, 2007



1. The ta-ble is set, the bread and the wine; You are the guest, now



come and dine. The bod - y and the pre - cious blood;



come to the ta - ble set by God.



2. The ta - ble is set, — come now and feast; where  
3. So gath - er a - round our dear Sav-ior's feet.



all can par - take, — e - ven the least. The bod - y and the  
This is his bod - y, take — and eat. We gath - er in com -



pre - cious blood; come to the ta - ble set by God.  
mu - ni - ty. This is his blood, now take and drink.



Je - sus' bod-y bro - ken so that you might live. Je - sus' blood was



shed, what more could he give? Je - sus is the bread,



Je - sus is the wine. Come to the ta-ble set by God, Di - vine.



Come to the ta - ble set by — God.

# GLORY TO GOD

STEPHEN P. STARKE, 1991



Glo - ry to God, the Fa - ther and the Son



and Ho - ly Spir - it, ev - er three in one;



ev - er the same, while end - less a - ges run!



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

## Benediction

Let us go forth and serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

### **Thanks be to God!**

And may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,  
and may your whole spirit and soul and body  
be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.  
He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it. Amen.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24