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Service of Worship

May 3, 2020 || Fourth Sunday of Easter || Facebook Live

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Prelude

“Rondo in G”

John Bull/arr. Ellsasser

Welcome

Call to Worship

*Leader: In these moments of isolation
and wondering what tomorrow might bring,
we lift our voices to God.*

**People: We call on the One who promises to hear us,
and better—to listen to our hearts and souls.**

*Leader: In these days of uncertainty,
we rest in the assurance that,
in life and death and every moment in between,
God’s grace holds us secure.*

**People: We rejoice in the One who walks beside us,
opening our eyes, touching our hearts.**

*Leader: As God’s people, we know that God’s Bread of Life is for us,
even as we hunger for hope, life, joy, healing for our brokenness.*

**People: Just as we do with the Cup of Salvation,
we lift our hearts in thanksgiving to our God.**

Leader: Let us worship God.

Hymn #240

“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”
(please see next page)

Alleluia No. 1

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Refrain E C#m F#m B

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le -

Fine

al - le - lu - ia! Praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B E

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B

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Prayer of Confession

Risen One, like your first followers,
we struggle to recognize resurrection in our midst.
The ways of this world are so familiar,
we struggle to see beyond their claims and assumptions,
their measurements and cliques.
Even when you stand before us
and invite us into new life,
we cling to what we've known rather risking the new.

How quickly we forget your way of grace,
and its call to live with open hands,
open minds, and open hearts.
How quickly we forget your way of love,
hunkering down
rather than pursuing all that your love makes possible.

Open us again, God of New Life,
to your work of transformation in and around us.
As you opened those first confused,
close-minded disciples to the ways of resurrection,
open us, we pray,
Remind us to look for what you are raising up
in us, around us, and through us—
your Resurrection People.

~ silent prayers of confession ~

Assurance of Grace

*Leader: Friends, new life in Christ is yours.
God loves you, claims you, and redeems you.*

People: Praise be to God! Amen.

Sharing the Peace of Christ

*Leader: After Jesus' death, the disciples gathered in fear and sadness,
wondering how everything had gone so wrong.
But the resurrected Christ appeared to them, saying,
"Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I send you."
Friends, may the peace of our resurrected Lord be with you.*

People: And also with you.

Livestream Check-In

Children's Message

Scripture Reading

Luke 24: 13-35

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture;

For the word of God among us;

For the word of God within us:

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Called to Remember”

The Lord’s Supper

The Invitation

The Institution

The Communion

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn #510

“We Gather in Jesus’ Name”

(please see next page)

Come, Share the Lord

Gifts of Commitment

Three Ways to Give:

- Online at towsonpres.org
- Text "CheerfulGiver" (one word; case sensitive) to 73256
- Mail to TPC 400 W. Chesapeake Ave, Towson, MD 21204

Benediction

Postlude

“Slow Down”

Edwin T. Childs

Capo 3: (G) (D) (Em7)
 B^b F Gm7

1 We gath - er here in Je - sus' name;
 2 He joins us here; he breaks the bread;
 3 We'll gath - er soon where an - gels sing;

(D) (Asus)
 F Csus

his love is burn - ing in our hearts like liv - ing flame;
 the Lord who pours the cup is ris - en from the dead;
 we'll see the glo - ry of our Lord and com - ing King;

(A7) (D) (A) (D)
 C7 F C F

for through the lov - ing Son the Fa - ther makes us one:
 the one we love the most is now our gra - cious host:
 now we an - tic - i - pate the feast for which we wait:

(G) (D) (Em) (A) (D)
 B^b F Gm C F *Fine*

come, take the bread; come, drink the wine; come, share the Lord.

(A7) (D) (G) (A7) (D)
 C7 F B^b C7 F

(1) No one is a strang - er here; ev - ery - one be - longs.
 (2) We are now a fam - i - ly, of which the Lord is head.

(G) (A7) (D) (Bm) (Em7) (Asus) (A)
 B^b C7 F Dm Gm7 Csus C

Find - ing our for - give - ness here, we in turn for - give all wrongs.
 Though un - seen, he meets us here in the break - ing of the bread.