

Welcome to Worship

*Please sit on any pew that is **not** marked as reserved and place 6 feet of distance between you and anyone not in your immediate family or “pod.” At the end of the service, we ask that you exit the building before socializing.*

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

Mark Gourley

WELCOME

Drew Herring

PRELUDE

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!
(GELOBT SEI GOTT) Melchior Vulpius; Michael Burkhardt, arr.

Mark Gourley

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

“Assurance”

Jennifer Clatterbuck

from *Prayers & Litanies for the Christian Seasons*, Sharlande Sledge

We celebrate good news:
Jesus Christ is risen!

God is our strength and our song;
God is our salvation.

When we lock ourselves away in the upper rooms of our lives,
Christ’s presence comes to us with words of peace...
Words that send us out of our hiding places with strength and power.

When believing does not come easily and we are more skeptical than faithful,
Christ’s presence comes to us with words of assurance...
Words that transform our anxiety to comfort and turn our mourning into joyful dance.

When tears cloud our eyes, so we cannot see signs of resurrection,
Christ’s presence comes to us with words of hope...
Words that remind us of new life all around us—even within us.

Our assurance is in Jesus Christ,
Our Risen Lord.

Christ is risen!
Christ is risen indeed!

RESPONSE

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

Mark Gourley

Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song. Even when life overwhelms us
Easter people sing this song: Alleluia! Alleluia! Everlasting Sunday song.

CHILDREN’S LESSON

Frances Carlton

MUSIC MEDITATION *Christians to the Paschal Victim* Mark Gourley
(VICTIMAE PASCHALI LAUDES) 11th Century Plainsong; Charles Callahan, arr.

CENTERING PRAYER Skyler Daniel

SERMON *Still Wondering* Drew Herring
Luke 24: 36b-48

HYMN *For the Fruit of All Creation* Men's Ensemble

For the fruit of all creation, thanks be to God. For His gifts to every nation, thanks be to God.
For the plowing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping,
future needs in earth's safekeeping, thanks be to God.

In the just reward of labor, God's will is done. In the help we give our neighbor, God's will is done.
In our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing,
in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God. For the good we all inherit, thanks be to God.
For the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us,
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Angie Smith

DOXOLOGY (Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN) Mark Gourley

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
O Praise Him! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Trumpet Tune on "He is Risen"* Mark Gourley
(UNSER HERRSCHER) Joachim Leander; David Lasch, arr.

**standing*