The Apostles' Creed Week Six: "...the resurrection of the body..."

July 23, 2023 Trinity Presbyterian Church Topeka, Kansas

Pre-Service

"Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us" Jaron Marcus, Piano

GATHERING

We gather as the Body of Christ to encounter God in worship.

Prelude

"Sanctuary" Thompson & Thrupp Jaron Marcus, Piano

CENTERING WORDS

What does the promise of resurrection mean for your spiritual journey?

Welcome and Announcements

Beverley Lutz

Introit

"Peace and Harmony" Kurt Meyer Trinity Handbell Quartet Jaron Marcus, Piano

Responsive Call to Worship

Congregation

God's Spirit gathers us

We are not alone

God's Spirit calls us

We are to discern together God's will

God's Spirit sends us

We are to shine like the sun, bearing witness to Christ our Savior

Prayer of the Day

*Hymn No. 375, vv. 1, 2, 4

"Shall We Gather at the River"

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you see us as we are, and know our inmost thoughts.

We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns.

We have not always sought or done your will.

We have not lived as your grateful children, nor loved as Christ loved us.

Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole.

Set us free from our sin, and restore to us the joy of your salvation now and forever.

(silent confession)

Responsive Assurance of Forgiveness Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan Because Christ has been raised from the dead.

sin and death do not have the last word!

Our faith is not in vain!

Baptized into Christ's death and resurrection, we are forgiven and set free to live for God and neighbor. Thanks be to God.

Sung Response GTG 581

"Gloria Patri"

THE WORD

The Word of God in scripture and interpreted in proclamation is the center of worship.

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson 1 Corinthians 15: 12-22

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised.

your faith is futile, and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human, for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

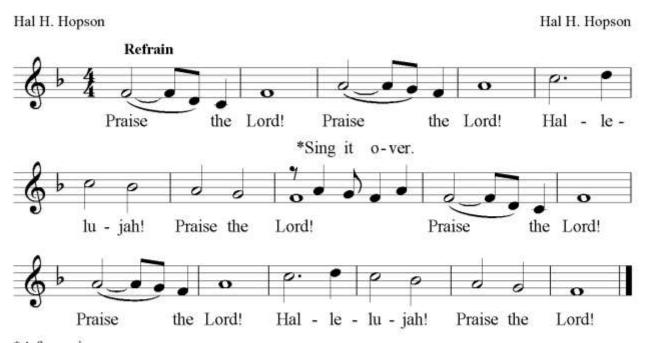
This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Psalter Psalm 111

Reproducible Congregational Part

Psalm 111



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Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the assembly of the upright, in the | congregation.

Great are your works, O Lord, pondered by all who delight in them.

Majesty and splendor mark your deeds, and your righteousness endures forever.

You cause your wonders to be remembered; you are gracious and full of compassion.

-REFRAIN-

You give food to those who fear you, remembering forever your covenant.

You have shown your people the power of your works in giving them the lands of the nations.

The works of your hands are faithfulness and justice; all of your precepts are sure.

They stand fast forever and ever, because they are done in truth and equity.

You sent redemption to your people and commanded your covenant forever; holy and awesome is your name.

The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who practice this have a good understanding.

God's praise endures forever.

-REFRAIN-

Special Music

"Solid Rock" Jason Krug Trinity Handbell Quartet

Second Lesson Luke 24: 36-49

While they were saying these things, Jesus himself stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" They were terrified and afraid. They thought they were seeing a ghost.

He said to them, "Why are you startled? Why are doubts arising in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet. It's really me! Touch me and see, for a ghost doesn't have flesh and bones like you see I have." As he said this, he showed them his hands and feet. Because they were wondering and questioning in the midst of their happiness, he said to them, "Do you have anything to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish. Taking it, he ate it in front of them.

Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the Law from Moses, the

Prophets, and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures. He said to them, "This is what is written: the Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and a change of heart and life for the forgiveness of sins must be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. Look, I'm sending to you what my Father promised, but you are to stay in the city until you have been furnished with heavenly power."

This is the Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"The Resurrection and the Life" Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our substance.

*Hymn No. 481

"I Believe in God the Father"

Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
he was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

"Sanctuary" Thompson & Thrupp Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Doxology (Hymn No. 607)

Congregation

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God whom we adore.

Amen.

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.

Sending Forth Worship equips us to go forth to serve God in the world.

*Sending Hymn No. 238

"Thine is the Glory"

*Charge and Blessing

*Sung Response (Hymn No. 600)

"Amen"

*Postlude

"Just a Closer Walk with Thee" Jack Schrader Jaron Marcus, Piano

^{*}Prayer of Dedication

^{*}Please rise in body or spirit.

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