

CATONSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Second Sunday of Easter ~ April 16, 2023

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

All Creatures of Our God and King
Arr. Robert J. Powell

* Call to Worship (Responsive)

Christ is risen!
He is risen, indeed!
God has given us a new birth
in the living hope of the resurrection.
Come, let us worship God!

* Hymn 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!
HYMN TO JOY

Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession & Assurance of Pardon (Responsive)

Before God, with the people of God, I confess to my brokenness:

To the ways I wound my life, the lives of others
and the life of the world,

*May God forgive you, Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.*

Amen.

Before God, with the people of God, we confess to our brokenness:

To the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others and the life of the world.

May God forgive you, Christ renew you, and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

Amen.

* Response of Praise: Hymn 582

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me
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* Passing of the Peace

Life in Community

The peace and joy of the Lord be with you and yours today.
Thank you for joining us for worship.

Children's Message



Prayer for Illumination (Together)

*Holy One, you've gifted us with the Holy Spirit as our advocate and guide.
Open us to the Spirit's breath. Carry us on the wings of your wisdom.
Set us on the solid foundation of your Word read and proclaimed.
May we hear the truth you intend for us today. Amen.*

Scripture John 20:19-31

(Pew Bible, NT p.115)

Sermon "Making Room for Doubt"

Hymn 482 *Baptized in Water*

BUNESSAN

Sacrament of Baptism

Presentation

Matthew and Amelia Lupinski

Promise and Commitment

Q: Do you, as members of the church of Jesus Christ promise to guide and nurture Matthew and Amelia by word and deed, with love and prayer?

A: *We do.*

Q: Will you encourage them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of Christ's church?

A: *We will.*

Baptism

Prayer

Call to Offering

Offertory *Come, Thou Font of Every Blessing*

Arr. Duane Funderburk



* **Doxology 607** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

* **Prayer of Dedication (Together)**

*Risen and redeeming God, you have given us more than we could ever give you in return.
You are gracious and generous in your love.
Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf.
May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served.
Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen.*

*Please rise in body or in spirit

Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer (Together)

*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.*

Hymn 257 *The Risen Christ*

WOODLANDS

* **Benediction**

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

We leave this sanctuary a blessed people.

Let us go now and be a blessing to others.

May the grace, hope, peace and love of God our Creator,
Redeemer, and Sustainer
be with us all, now and forever. *Amen.*

Postlude

Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren
(*"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"*),
Setting by Johann Gottfried Walther

*Please rise in body or in spirit

Participants

- Dorothy Boulton, *Associate Pastor*
- Debbie Davis, *Ruling Elder, liturgist*
- Keith and Kathy Glennan, *Ruling Elders, video production*
- Wendy Johnston, *Organist and Assistant Director of Music*
- Greg Knauf, *Director of Music*
- Kenneth E. Kovacs, *Pastor*
- Vickie Lord, *social media support*
- Dottie Marshall, *Ruling Elder, sanctuary set up*
- Ann Quinn, *clarinet*

Sources

- *Book of Common Worship* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2018).
- *Glory to God: The Presbyterian Hymnal* (Louisville: Westminster John Knox Press, 2013).
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LIFE IN COMMUNITY

Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Mark & Debbie Davis in honor of Robert & Wendy Davis who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on April 14.

WELCOMING ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

Catonsville Presbyterian Church recognizes that people of all ages have varying abilities and needs. If you meet or see someone with differing needs, whether an adult or a child, please recognize that underlying conditions may occasionally cause behavior that might be misinterpreted as inappropriate. Please reach out. Ask if there is a way that you might assist, and otherwise be understanding and supportive.

If you or a family member has special needs, please speak to one of the pastors or the Deacon of the Day. We want to fully appreciate each individual's gifts and talents and help you to feel a part of this faith community.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Children are welcome in worship as part of the Whole Family of God. We are delighted they are here. We are currently providing childcare on the second Sunday morning of the month, but fellowship hall is available for families to use if they wish. The service can be heard in the room, plus there's plenty of space for active children. Children's Bibles and books are available in the back of the sanctuary, along with clipboards, crayons, markers, and paper. Information about our education ministries is in our newsletter and can be found on our website, catonsvillepres.org.

ABOUT TODAY'S MUSIC

A special thanks to Ann Quinn for sharing her gifts with us in worship this morning and on Good Friday.

***Lobe den Herren, den mächtigen König der Ehren* ("Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty"), setting by Johann Gottfried Walther**

Joachim Neander first published this German-language hymn in 1680. Found in the *Glory to God* hymnal as hymn #35, the German text was translated into the English by Catherine Winkworth in 1863. The text is a paraphrase of Psalms 103 and 150. John Julian writes that this hymn is "a magnificent hymn of praise to God, perhaps the finest creation of its author, and of the first rank in its class." Today's setting is by Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748).

*Praise ye the Lord, o let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the amen sound from his people again;
Gladly for aye we adore him.*

GROWING IN GRACE: ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Join us in person at 9:00 a.m. in the library for adult education.

Caring for Creation: Ken Kovacs (Sunday, April 23)

On this Earth Day weekend, we'll explore the theological reasons why care for creation and concerns about climate change are integral to our lives as Christians. We'll explore how a misreading of the word "dominion" in Genesis 1:26 contributed to some of the challenges we are facing today. And we'll turn to the spirituality of the Celtic Christians. By placing the doctrine of the incarnation at the center of their lives they might have something to teach us how to be more embodied and, thus, more connected to the physical world as the bearer of God's goodness and glory—and, therefore, worthy of our care and stewardship.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Congregational Meeting

The Session has called for a special congregational meeting following worship today. The purpose of the meeting is to receive a report from the Nominating Committee.

Youth Group

Youth Group for middle and senior high will meet at the church this evening from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. We'll be getting ready for Earth Day with devotions & activities. Snacks will be served!

Messenger Deadline

Please submit all announcements, events, and photos for the May Messenger to the church office (office@catonsvillepres.org) by tomorrow morning. Submissions are typically due the 15th of each month.

Catonsville Concerts at 3

The Atlantic Guitar Quartet will perform a program of music by living composers this afternoon. ACQ has been proactive in expanding the repertoire of the classical guitar quartet by commissioning new works. With major institutional support by the Peabody Conservatory, ACQ has premiered new pieces by American composers. Like all Catonsville Concerts at 3, this event is non-ticketed and free.

Upcoming Creation Care Opportunities

Workdays for the church grounds are planned for Saturday, April 22 and Saturday, April 29 beginning at 9:00 a.m. People of all skill levels and no skill levels are invited to lend a hand! Please contact Ron Gunderson (cinron.md@gmail.com) or the church office to RSVP or learn more.

Creation Care Sunday

Make plans to attend Creation Care Sunday on April 23. Starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Library, Adult Education will focus on God's call to care and tend to the earth. The 10:30 a.m. service of worship will incorporate reflections from several members as well as a special fellowship hour outdoors.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

Bible study will take a break for the remainder of April and resume on Thursday, May 4. When we resume, we will explore four texts in the book of Acts. Be sure to mark your calendar for May 4 at 10:30 a.m. in the Library on online via Zoom!

Calendar

Monday, April 17	7:00 p.m.	Contemplative Prayer (Zoom)
Tuesday, April 18	10:30 a.m.	Needlework Group (Zoom)
	12:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
	7:00 p.m.	Presbyterian Women: Passages circle
	4:00 p.m.	Hillcrest Earth Day Festival (Woodlands)
Wednesday, April 19	7:00 p.m.	Presbyterian Women: new circle
Thursday, April 20	7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal (Choir room)
Saturday, April 22	9:00 a.m.	Church Grounds Workday

Giving Update

We rely on everyone to support what God is doing through this congregation. The vitality of this ministry is secured by God’s grace and funded by the faithfulness and commitment of God’s people. We are counting on the ongoing generosity of our members and friends.

Keith Glennan, Finance Committee

Actual Income as of 04/15/23	\$ 240,879
Actual Expense as of 04/15/23	\$-211,464
Total	\$ 29,415

Per capita contributions\$ 1,430



Welcome to Our Visitors and Guests

We welcome you with open minds and hearts. Come in your faith and in your doubt. If you are joining us for the first time, we invite you to share your information by scanning the QR code. We would love to connect.



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Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248

1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.

Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.

In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"

Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."

582 Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3: (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)
 B^b F B^b F B^b F Gm F

1 Glo - ry to God, whose good - ness shines on me,
 2 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(D) (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)
 F B^b E^b B^b Gm7 C7

and to the Son, whose grace has par - doned me,
 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(A7) (D) (F#) (Bm)
 C7 F A Dm

and to the Spir - it, whose love has set me free.
 World with - out end, ♪ with - out end. A - men.

(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)
 Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F

As it was in the be - gin - ning, is now and ev - er shall be. A - men.

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Baptized in Water



1 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, cleansed by the
 2 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, dead in the
 3 Bap-tized in wa - ter, sealed by the Spir - it, marked with the



blood of Christ our King; heirs of sal - va - tion, trust - ing the
 tomb with Christ our King; one with his ris - ing, freed and for -
 sign of Christ our King; born of the Spir - it, we are God's



prom - ise, faith - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 giv - en, thank - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.
 chil - dren; joy - ful - ly now God's prais - es we sing.

Each stanza of this compact and carefully constructed text about baptism begins with allusions to John 3:5 and Ephesians 1:13. The interplay of constant and changing lines accentuates each added image. It is set here to a Gaelic tune first transcribed in the 19th century.

TEXT: Michael A. Seward, 1981

MUSIC: Gaelic melody; arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985

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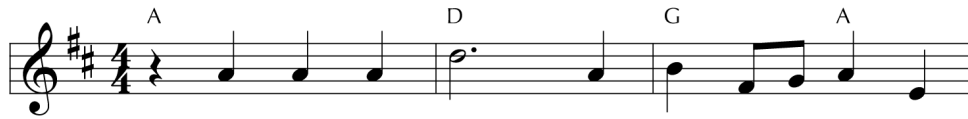
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The Risen Christ

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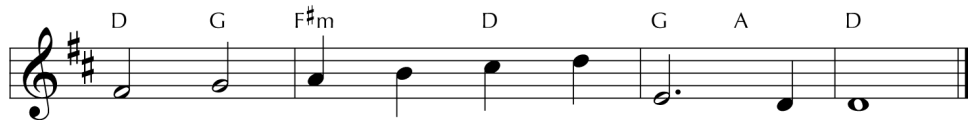
1 The ris - en Christ, who walks on wound - ed
 2 The ris - en Christ, who stands with wound - ed
 3 The ris - en Christ, who breaks with wound - ed
 4 May we, Christ's bod - y, walk and serve and



feet from gar - den tomb through dark - ened cit - y
 side, breathes out his Spir - it on them to a -
 hand the bread for those who fail to un - der -
 stand with the op - pressed in this and ev - ery



street, un - locks the door of grief, de - spair, and fear, and
 bide whose faith still wa - vers, who dare not be - lieve; new
 stand, re - veals him - self, de - spite their lin - gering tears, en -
 land, till all are blessed and can a bless - ing be, re -



speaks a word of peace to all who hear.
 grace, new strength, new pur - pose they re - ceive.
 flames their hearts, then quick - ly dis - ap - pears.
 stored in Christ to true hu - man - i - ty.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This perceptive hymn centers on Christ's post-Resurrection appearances described in John 20:19–29 and Luke 24:13–48. The first three stanzas are shaped by the wounded body parts: feet, side, hand; the fourth prays for such woundedness in the witness of Christ's body, the Church.