



Evening Worship | 6:00 p.m.

Proclaiming Christ | Delighting in His Grace | Sharing in His Mission

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Asking God to attend and bless the worship of his people

*HYMN

"Come People of the Risen King"

Keith & Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

Come, people of the Risen King, who delight to bring him praise; Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him, Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

> Rejoice, rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice.

Come, those whose joy is morning sun and those weeping through the night; Come, those who tell of battles won and those struggling in the fight; For his perfect love will never change and his mercies never cease; But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from ev'ry land, men and women of the faith; Come those with full or empty hands, find the riches of his grace; Over all the world his people sing, shore to shore we hear them call The truth that cries through ev'ry age: our God is all in all.

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*DECLARATION OF FAITH—NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made.

Who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven and sits on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Acknowledging our sins before our Holy God and seeking his forgiveness in Christ

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Heavenly Father we praise you for adopting us as your children and making us heirs of eternal life in your Son, Jesus Christ, who has freed us from our sins by his blood. Yet we still fail to love you with all our hearts, or serve you as we ought. Forgive us we pray, and renew us in your grace, so that we might love you anew and live hereafter to your praise. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The Lord's declaration of our freedom from the guilt of sin and punishment of God's law

*HYMNS OF PREPARATION

"Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery"

Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, Michael Bleecker

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, in the dawning of the King. He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity. In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come. Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, he the perfect Son of Man.
In his living, in his suff'ring never trace, nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man.
Christ, the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, Christ the Lord upon the tree.

In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.

See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold.

Bringing many sons to glory; grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, slain by death, the God of life. But no grave could e'er restrain him. Praise the Lord, he is alive! What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope. Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes.

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"Jesus Paid It All"

Alex Nifong, Elvina M. Hall, John Thomas Grape

And I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small! Child of weakness watch and pray, find in me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

Lord now indeed I find, thy pow'r and thine alone, Can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone.

And when before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

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PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Asking God's spirit to illumine our hearts and minds for the understanding and application of his word

SERMON

"Let the Children Come to Me" 38th in a series on the Gospel of Mark

Rev. Thomas Myrick

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Thine Is the Glory"

Edmond Budry, George Frederick Handel

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won! Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away, Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; Endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Lo, Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb! Lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom; Let his church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing, For the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting!

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life; Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife; Make us more than conqu'rors, through thy deathless love; Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.

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*BENEDICTION

Pronouncing God's blessing on his people

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

"Benediction"

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

May the peace of God, our heav'nly Father, And the grace of Christ, the risen Son, And the fellowship of God the Spirit Keep our hearts and minds within his love.

And to him be praise for his glorious reign; From the depths of earth to the heights of heaven We declare the name of the Lamb once slain— Christ eternal, the King of Kings.

May the peace which passes understanding, And this grace which makes us what we are, And this fellowship of his communion Make us one in spirit and in heart.

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POSTLUDE

*Congregation standing as able

If you have an offering, please leave it in the plate at the back of the Sanctuary.

Hearing enhancement units are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for assistance.

Deacons provide assistance and prayer support to those in our congregation facing difficult circumstances. Contact an individual deacon directly or call the deacons' phone line at 301-320-3600, x223.

To listen to a recording of the morning worship service, contact sundayservice@4thpres.org.

Children of all ages are warmly welcome in our worship service this evening. Childcare is available for young children, ages infant through Pre-K, in Room 110.

Thank you to the many donors of our Easter lilies.

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 28

MORNING SERVICE

8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

"A Few Good Men" Philippians 2:19-30 Dr. Todd Smedley

A Deacon's Offering will be received at all morning services on April 28.

BACCALAUREATE SERVICE

6:00 p.m.

"Compelled to be World Changers"
2 Corinthians 5:14-21
Mr. Stefan Wiltz

STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE

General Giving

Annual Budget \$ 4,942,614 Year to Date Received \$ 1,141,449