

BUCKINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
RESURRECTION SUNDAY

April 9, 2023

TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE - 11:00 A.M.

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

Music Director – Gregory Fraser

** Congregation please stand as you feel comfortable*

CHIMING OF THE BELLS

PRELUDE– *Bach*

WELCOME

SHEEP PEN MESSAGE: This is the Day!

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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*OPENING PRAYER

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Holy One, you come to us with power beyond all knowing. You lift all things out of the dust, you breathe love into every cell you call us into communion with you, and you claim victory over death. Blessed be your holy name now and forever. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN: Christ the Lord is Risen Today! (PH #113)

CALL TO CONFESSION:

Leader: Jesus' rising from the dead assures us that we, too, have been given new life. Let us repent of our sin before God and one another, certain of God's mercy. Let us pray:

All: All-knowing, all-powerful God, we confess that, even on this most holy day, we are unable to believe in the victory over death shown to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord. We confess our utter dependence on you not only for life but also for faith, hope, and love. Without your astonishing appearance to our ancestors and your stunning presence throughout the ages, we would be lost. Forgive us and transform us, that in every way our work and prayer will make whole what is broken and give peace on earth. Amen.

MOMENT OF SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Listen, church: God who raised Jesus from the dead has not given us over to death. What good news!

All: We believe this good news! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven and set free! Thanks be to God! Amen.

*RESPONSE: GLORIA PATRI

*PASSING OF THE PEACE:

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with all of you.

All: And also with you.

(Take a moment to turn those gathered and offer a sign of Christ's peace.)

WORDS & GESTURES OF PEACE

SONG OF PRAISE: Alleluia (PH 106)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION:

Leader: Let us ask the Spirit to give us understanding of God's holy word.

Let's pray:

All: Open our eyes and soften our hearts, O God, through the work of your Holy Spirit, that in the hearing of your Word we may receive new life. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING:

John 20: 1-18

RESPONSE TO THE READING OF GOD'S WORD

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE "We Need A Little Easter"

Rev. Mark Piedmonte

HYMN: *I Danced in the Morning* (PH #302)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Brief Statement of Faith: sections 2,5-6 (remain standing)

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God.

Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

SHARING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS (Please be seated)

PASTORAL PRAYER:

Leader: God of Mercy;

ALL: hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER (sung)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY/DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN: *This Joyful Easter Tide* (insert)

*BENEDICTION / *RESPONSE

POSTLUDE: Bach

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