

Old Testament Lesson: Num. 13:25–14:10
(page 121)

Responsive Reading: Psalm 135

Praise the Lord!

Praise the name of the Lord,

give praise, O servants of the Lord,

**who stand in the house of the Lord,
in the courts of the house of our God!**

*Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good;
sing to his name, for it is pleasant!*

**For the Lord has chosen Jacob for himself,
Israel as his own possession.**

*For I know that the Lord is great,
and that our Lord is above all gods.*

**Whatever the Lord pleases, he does,
in heaven and on earth, in the seas and all deeps.**

He it is who makes the clouds rise at the end of the earth,

**who makes lightnings for the rain
and brings forth the wind from his storehouses.**

*He it was who struck down the firstborn of Egypt,
both of man and of beast;*

**who in your midst, O Egypt,
sent signs and wonders
against Pharaoh and all his servants;**

*who struck down many nations and killed mighty kings,
Sihon, king of the Amorites, and Og, king of Bashan,
and all the kingdoms of Canaan,*

**and gave their land as a heritage,
a heritage to his people Israel.**

*Your name, O Lord, endures forever,
your renown, O Lord, throughout all ages.*

**For the Lord will vindicate his people
and have compassion on his servants.**

*The idols of the nations are silver and gold,
the work of human hands.*

**They have mouths, but do not speak;
they have eyes, but do not see;**

*they have ears, but do not hear,
nor is there any breath in their mouths.*

**Those who make them become like them,
so do all who trust in them.**

*O house of Israel, bless the Lord!
O house of Aaron, bless the Lord!*

**O house of Levi, bless the Lord!
You who fear the Lord, bless the Lord!**

Blessed be the Lord from Zion, he who dwells in Jerusalem!

Praise the Lord! (ESV)

Epistle Lesson: Philippians 4:8-13 (page 982)

Gospel Lesson: (to be announced)

Reader: ...the Word of the Lord!

Congregation: **Thanks be to God!**

Sermon *'Year of the Dog' or You Can't Go Back
or A Different Spirit*

The Rev. McIlhenny

*Creed The Nicene Creed

**WE BELIEVE in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible
and invisible.**

**AND IN ONE Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten
Son of God, begotten of his 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; through 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; and the third day he
rose again according to the Scriptures, and as-
cended into heaven, and is seated at 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.
AND WE 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 we believe in one holy catholic and
apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism
for the remission of sins; and we look for the
resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world
to come. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Intercession
(concluding with the Lord's Prayer)

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*The Doxology Trinity Hymnal #731

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Offertory Prayer

*Hymn #95 "Though Troubles Assail Us"

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Hymn #300 "Blessing and Honor and
Glory and Power"

*Benediction

*Congregational Response Trinity Hymnal #267
(v. 3)

**Now let the heav'ns be joyful,
Let earth her song begin;
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is therein; Invisible and visible,
Their notes let all things blend,
For Christ the Lord hath risen,
Our Joy that hath no end. Amen.**

Postlude

Anna Abbey

On our banner, the cross set against the background of the spreading heavenly light speaks of the glorious triumph of Christ over sin and death and all the powers of hell! Christ has defeated all his and our enemies: *Hallelujah, Christ is risen! He is risen, indeed!*

Announcements

VISITORS: Welcome to El Camino! Please sign our guest book and join us for refreshments after the service.

WE WELCOME Chaplain-Pastor Charles A McIlhenny to the pulpit today. Dr. McIlhenny is a full-time hospital chaplain, along with his wife, Donna. He is also overseeing pastor-preacher of Resurrection OPC, our Vietnamese church in Westminster, and ministerial advisor to Grace OPC, Costa Mesa, CA. Dr. McIlhenny is author of *When the Wicked Seize a City* about his experiences pastoring First OPC, San Francisco.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11: 12:15pm. Our first 30-minute Lunch Devotional / Bible Study will be at the church. Bring your own lunch. Visitors welcome. Contact Rienco De Jong or Jim Robbins for more information.

DATES TBD: "Supper for Six." The Session invites everyone to sign up for small-group fellowship opportunities to be held in April. For more information contact Donna De Jong or Susan Robbins.

6:00 Evening Prayer and Praise

- *Call to Worship
- *Hymn #2 "O Worship the King"
- *Prayer of Invocation
- Responsive Psalm 16 (Hymnal, p. 788)
- Congregational Hymn Selections
- Offering
- Prayer for Illumination
- Scripture Lesson: John 20:24-31 (page 907)
- Sermon *The Doubter*
from a recording of the Rev. R.C. Sproul
- *Creed The Apostles' Creed
- Congregational Prayer (concluding with the Lord's Prayer)
- *Hymn #706 "Jesus Lives and So Shall I"
- *Prayer of Benediction



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The Lord's Day

April 8th, 2018

10:45AM Morning Worship

- Prelude Anna Abbey
- *Greeting and Call to Worship (*Congregation stands)
- *Hymn #119 "I Sing the Almighty Power of God"
- *Prayer of Adoration and Invocation
- *The Gloria Patri Trinity Hymnal #735
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

Unison Prayer of Confession

MOST MERCIFUL God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Minister: ...you are forgiven.
Congregation: **Amen!**

*Call to Grateful Obedience

Minister: ...this is God's will for you in Christ.
Congregation: **Amen!**

*Hymn #140 "O Word of God Incarnate"

Unison Prayer for Illumination

O Lord our God, your Word is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path. Give us grace to receive your truth in faith and love, that we may be obedient to your will and live always for your glory; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.