



The Presbyterian Church  
at Bound Brook

Third Sunday of Easter  
April 14, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag

Johann Gottfried Walther  
(1684-1748)

INTROIT

I'll Praise My Maker

Matthaus Greiter  
(c. 1500-1552)

I'll praise my Maker while I've breath;  
And when my voice is lost in death,  
Praise shall employ my nobler powers.  
My days of praise shall ne'er be past,  
While life, and thought, and being last,  
Or immortality endures.

TOLLING OF THE STEEPLE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: The Lord hears us when we call:

**ALL: Come, let us put our trust in God.**

ONE: The Lord fills our hearts with gladness:

**ALL: Come, let us sing God's praises with shouts of joy!**

ONE: The Lord grants peace to our weary souls:

**ALL: Come, let us rest by the quiet waters of God's grace.**

OPENING ACCLAMATION

One: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

**All: The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION - unison

Risen Christ, we are often troubled by our doubts.  
But you are not troubled by them.  
You do not require perfect understanding.  
Instead, you reveal yourself to us again and again  
that we might come to know you.  
Forgive us when our doubts keep us stuck,  
when fear prevents us from loving all creation as you call us to do.  
Help us to accept the peace you so graciously offer to us.  
Have mercy on us when we hoard or hide it,  
when we fail to offer it to others.  
Renew us and make us whole that in this world of strife  
we may be bearers of your peace.  
In resurrection hope we pray, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

**ONE:** “See what love the Father has given us,  
that we should be called children of God;  
and that is what we are” (*1 John 3:1*).  
Children of God, we are claimed by God,  
forgiven of our sins, and set free for love.

**ALL: Alleluia! Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF GRACE

John Bell (b. 1949)

*Refrain*



Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah!

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*Fine*

Hal-le, hal-le, hal - le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu-jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

CHILDREN'S TIME

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST GOSPEL READING - John 20:19-31

Response after reading

ONE: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

SECOND GOSPEL READING – Luke 24:36b-48

Response after reading:

ONE: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**ALL: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

Doubt & Wonder

Rev. Linda E. Owens

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

## PASSING OF THE PEACE

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**ALL: And also with you.**

## JOYS & CONCERNS

## PRAYER OF INTERCESSION & THE 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.**

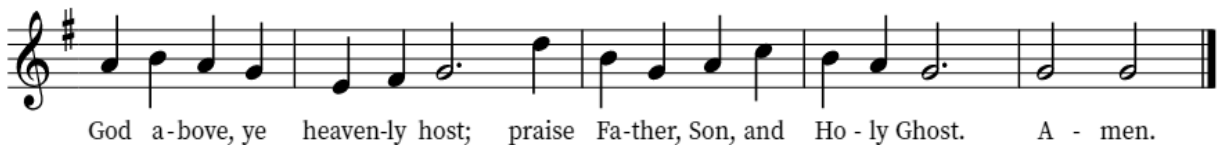
**For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## GIVING OF OUR GIFTS

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

## \*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH



## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

\*HYMN #256

These Things Did Thomas Count as Real

KEDRON

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

BENEDICTION RESPONSE We Will Go Out with Joy

We will go out with joy in the Spir - it; we will go out with God. Al - le - lu - ia!

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POSTLUDE

Prelude and Fugue in C (BuxWV 136)

Dieterich Buxtehude  
(1637-1707)

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LEADING IN WORSHIP

Reader: Ladd Boris

Anthem: BBPC Adult Choir

Director of Christian Education: Lissette González Sosa

Director of Music: Benjamin T. Berman

Pastor: The Rev. Linda E. Owens

Technician: Bill Heller

*Liturgy by Rev. Ellen Williams Hensle and provided for free distribution.*

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