

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAWRENCEVILLE

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 19, 2020 10:00am

Participating in the Service Today:

Rachel Johnson, The Rev. Dr. Louise Johnson, Janet McGregor Williams

Music: James D. Moyer

Welcome to today's worship service, via live-stream! Please consider inviting (via text or IM) someone now to join you in worshipping today via our live-stream.

THE SERVICE OF WORSHIP

Prelude

"Tune Your Harps" - George Frideric Handel
John Calkins, tenor

Welcome and News of the Life and Work of the Church

Introit

Call to Worship

(selections from Psalm 18)

He is risen!

He is risen indeed!

I love you, O Lord, my strength.

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer,

My God, my rock in whom I take refuge.

My shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

I call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised,

So shall I be saved from my enemies.

The Lord lives!

Blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.

For this I will extol you, O Lord, among the nations,

And sing praises to your name.

Let us stand and worship God.

The Hymn of Praise

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, nearer than we know and closer than we feel, break down every wrong attitude or desire. Remove any obstacle that stands between us and you.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

We confess that we are prone to denial, given to procrastination, fond of making excuses, and quick to blame others for our own faults.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Forgive our pride, our stubbornness and our reluctance to own our weaknesses.

Replace our willfulness with willingness to serve you and our neighbors.

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria

Alleluia
John Calkins, Tenor

Children's Message

Janet McGregor Williams

Gospel Lesson

John 20:19-31

Anthem

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks!
John Calkins, Tenor; Matthew Kauffman, Bass

Sermon

Be Not Unbelieving but Believing
Rachel Johnson, preaching

Hymn of Response

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Affirmation of Faith

(adapted from 1 Peter 1:3-5; 8-9)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

Prayers of the People and 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Offertory

Because He Lives – Bill Gaither
Matthew Kauffman, Baritone

Doxology and Offertory Prayer

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Peace

May the peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

Closing Hymn

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!

Benediction

Benediction Response

Threefold Amen
John Calkins, Tenor

Postlude

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The sympathy of the congregation is extended to Phil and Kyra Duran and their family upon the death of Phil's father, Manuel Duran (1925-2020).

Hospitalized this week: Gordon Buxton at Deborah Heart and Lung Center, Browns Mills, NJ

Congratulations to Rick and Sue Steen upon the April 6 birth of granddaughter Lily Parker Steen, daughter of Rich and Rhea Steen.

Special Offering: One Great Hour of Sharing

During this time of crisis, we are reminded that the most vulnerable in our midst suffer first, most, and longest. One Great Hour of Sharing has, for over 70 years, supported the most vulnerable among us. OGHS supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, The Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Give online to OGHS at: <https://specialofferings.pcusa.org/make-a-gift/gift-info/oghs/> Or mail your check to The Presbyterian Church of Lawrenceville, 2688 Main Street, Lawrenceville, NJ 08648, with OGHS in the memo line.

We will continue to worship on Sunday mornings at 10:00am via Facebook Live

WINK check in on Sundays at 5:00pm via Zoom

Youth Group check in on Sundays at 6:00pm via Zoom

Women of the Word (WoW) will be meeting every Tuesday at 7:00pm via Zoom

Be together with our church community informally on Fridays at noon via Zoom

Children of all ages Bible story and yoga Wednesdays at 7:00pm via Zoom

Look for *Today's Encouraging Word* emails on Fridays and Tuesdays. Tuesday will be for children and adults too. Announcements by our regular E-news will continue on Fridays.

Thursdays at 7:00pm – Zoom with Ms. Robyn for children and adults

Let's Do Our Part! Red Cross Blood Drive 4/28/20

Co-sponsored by Temple Micah and PCOL, the American Red Cross will be conducting a Blood Drive at PCOL on Tuesday, April 28 from 2:00pm to 7:00pm. Donating blood products is essential to community health and the need for blood products is constant. As part of our nation's critical infrastructure, healthy individuals can still donate in areas that have issued shelter in place declarations during this pandemic. The Red Cross follows the highest standards of safety and infection control, and volunteer donors are the only source of blood for those in need. Appointments are preferred. Please visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter the sponsor keyword: LawrencevilleComm. Or call Rick van den Heuvel at 609-462-9101 or Mary Kuller at 609-275-4843.

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