# Sunday, April 18, 2021



Prelude "Affettuoso" from Trio Sonata in C Major

J.J. Quantz

Johanna Gruskin, flute; Shelley Gruskin, recorder; LeAnn House, harpsichord

#### Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Call to Worship Ann and Jim Wheeler

One: Glorious prince, risen from the tomb,

All: To thine be the glory!

One: Endless victory over death you have won,

All: To thine be the glory!

One: Let the church with gladness sing of your gift of love,

All: To thine be the glory!

Hymn Thine Be the Glory UM Hymnal #308 led by Adair Ballavance, Carol Donahue, Nancy Eaton, and Michael Goodlet

- 1. Thine be 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 be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
- 2. Lo! Jesus meets thee, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets thee, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,

for our Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors, through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son, endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

#### **Morning Prayer**

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Concerns and Celebrations

Jesus' Prayer - from Human Rites by Ward and Wild

Beloved, our Father and Mother, in whom is heaven, hallowed be your name, followed be your royal way, done be your will and rule, throughout the whole creation. With the bread we need for today, feed us. In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us. In times of temptation and test, strengthen us. From trials too great to endure, spare us. From the grip of all that is evil, free us. For you reign in the glory of the power that is love, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Message

Jojo Coffin- Langdon

## Scripture Reading Luke 24:36-48 Atley Collins

While they were saying these things, Jesus himself stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" They were terrified and afraid. They thought they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you startled? Why are doubts arising in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet. It's really me! Touch me and see, for a ghost doesn't have flesh and bones like you see I have." As he said this, he showed them his hands and feet. Because they were wondering and questioning in the midst of their happiness, he said to them, "Do you have anything to eat?" They gave him a piece of baked fish. Taking it, he ate it in front of them. Jesus said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the Law from Moses, the Prophets, and the Psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. He said to them, "This is what is written: the Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and a change of heart and life for the forgiveness of sins must be preached in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

Anthem Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Elias Mokole, baritone; Velda Graham Bell, piano

**Sermon** *Can I Get a Witness?* 

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

Offering Our Gifts and Tithes

Pastor Jeanine Alexander

Hymn Alleluia, Alleluia

UM Hymnal #162 led by Emma Rustan

(Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

1. Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

2. Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

3. We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever.

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

4. Come, let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Benediction

Pastor Cynthia Coffin-Langdon

**Postlude** Intrada on Two Hymns by G.F. Handel

Velda Graham Bell, organ

arr. Alice Jordan



**Members of the Sanctuary Choir** made generous gifts in memory of two musical singers. The church will be lighted the week of April 18 in memory of Dave Miller, and that gift will also purchase music for the Sanctuary Choir. The church was lighted the week of April 11 in memory of Roger Downs, and that gift also benefited the music sound system.

**Next Sunday** is Earth Sunday, when we celebrate the beauty of God's creation. Please join us for a special service, including a sermon by our own Geoff Bell.

**Next Sunday** we will celebrate Holy Communion, so please have ready a piece of bread (or some kind of food) and juice (or some kind of drink) so you can fully participate.

**Parking Lot Social Next Sunday.** Following online worship on **Sunday, April 25**, there will be a Parking Lot Social with doughnuts, coffee, and visiting in the church parking lot. It will **begin at 11:15am and go until 12:30pm**. In case of bad weather, we will gather on the following Sunday, May 2. Please plan to wear masks in the parking lot to ensure everyone is safe. It will be GREAT to get together in person!

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