

# Sunday, April 18, 2021 – 11:00 a.m.



# ORDER OF SERVICE

## **ORGAN PRELUDE**

"Alla Hornpipe" from Water Music

*G.F. Handel* Stephen Boda

## **OPENING HYMN**

No. 330 "Jesus Shall Reign" Jesus shall reign where e'er the sun does its successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song, and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound wheree'er he reigns: and prisoners leap to lose their chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honours to our King, angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud Amen!

# CALL TO WORSHIP

- Minister: In this glorious season of Easter, we celebrate the many surprising ways that Jesus appears in our lives.
- All: As we are going on our way, Jesus walks with us and talks with us.
- Minister: As we're focused on our many worries, the word of God comes to us, speaking straight to our hearts and helping us to see the world in new and hopeful ways.
- All: Let us set aside our worries for now, and worship the God of eternal life, hoping that He will surprise us once more.

## **OPENING PRAYER**

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus Christ, you are mighty in deed and word before God and before people. We confess to you that sometimes we are foolish and slow of heart to believe. Sometimes you are right there with us, yet

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we fail to see you. Forgive us, we pray, and open our eyes and our hearts to understand the mysteries of your great love, that we might live in confident faith and hope, by the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

#### **RESPONSIVE KYRIE**

Minister: Lord have mercy upon us;

All: Christ have mercy upon us;

Minister: Lord have mercy upon us.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

#### **WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## ANTHEM

"I See The Love of God"

*Ouchterlony* David Michael Moote, Elaine Choi

I see the love of God in every river, flowing wide, flowing free; I see the love of God in every ocean reaching further than eye can see. I see the love of God in every valley, offering shelter to you and me; I see the love of God in every mountain, standing fast through eternity. The love of God is all around me, whate'er the trouble, pain, or care. The love of God is all around me, if I will look, I'll find it there. I see the love of God in eyes of old folk, kindly wisdom shining clear; I see the love of God in little babies, sleeping softly, without a fear.

## **CHILDREN'S TIME**

#### SCRIPTURE READING

#### Luke 24:13-27

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the

Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

#### SERMON

## The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling "Let's Have a Proper Conversation"

#### ANTHEM

"Never Weather – Beaten Sail"

## Ryan McDonald, Stephen Boda

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Never weather-beaten sail more willing bent to shore. Never tired pilgrim's limbs affected slumber more, than my wearied sprite now longs to fly out of my troubled breast: O come quickly, sweetest Lord, and take my soul to rest. Ever blooming are the joys of Heaven's high Paradise. Cold age deafs not there our ears nor vapour dims our eyes: Glory there the sun outshines whose beams the blessed only see: O come quickly, glorious Lord, and raise my sprite to thee!

## PASTORAL PRAYER

#### 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **OFFERING ANNOUNCEMENT**

#### **CLOSING HYMN**

No. 288 "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Great is thy faithfulness, God our Creator, there is no shadow of turning with thee; thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not; as thou has been thou forever wilt be.

#### [Refrain:]

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see; all I have needed thy hand hath provided -great is thy faithfulness, ever to me! Faithfulness

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above join with all nature in manifold witness to thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. *[Refrain]* 

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide, strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow -wondrous the portion thy blessings provide. *[Refrain]* 

## BENEDICTION

## **ORGAN POSTLUDE**

"Toccata in E Minor"

Joseph Callaerts Stephen Boda

NEXT WEEK:

# SUNDAY, APRIL 25, 2021 11:00AM WORSHIP SERVICE LIVESTREAM

The Rev. Dr. Andrew Stirling preaching

"Keep Going!"

from Acts 1:1-7

# **IN MEMORIAM**

In memory of Salvatore Vella, a donation has been made to General Fund by Laura Vella.

