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April 11, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Traditional Service

PRELUDE The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done Palestrina/Shackley

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Jay Smith

PRAISE AND ADORATION

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Make a Joyful Noise

John Helgen

Refrain: Make a joyful noise to the Lord. Serve the Lord with gladness. Come into His presence with singing. Serve the Lord with gladness. Make a joyful noise all the earth.

Know that the Lord is God, it is He who made us, and we are his people, the sheep of His pasture. (refrain)

Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and His courts with praise, give thanks to Him, bless His name, for the Lord is good. His steadfast love endures forever, His faithfulness to all generations. (refrain)

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND PRAISE (in unison)

Rev. Smith

Almighty and eternal God, the strength of those who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's blessing, who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever. Amen.

HYMN We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight No. 399

We walk by faith and not by sight; No gracious words we hear From Christ Who spoke as none e'er spoke; But we believe Him near.

We may not touch His hands and side, Nor follow where He trod; But in His promise we rejoice, And cry, "My Lord and God!" Help then, O Lord, our unbelief; And may our faith abound To call on You when You are near And seek where You are found:

That, when our life of faith is done, In realms of clearer light We may behold You as You are, With full and endless sight.

CONFESS OUR SINS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (in unison)
Almighty God,
you love us, but we have not loved you.
You call, but we have not listened.
We walk away from our neighbors in need,
wrapped in our own concerns.
We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed.

God of Grace, help us to admit our sin, so that as you come to us in mercy, we may repent, turn to you, and receive forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our redeemer. Amen.

RESPONSE TO THE CONFESSION

Jesus Remember Me, When You Come into Your Kingdom.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Rev. Smith

Rev. Casey Riker

RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

Gloria Patri

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.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD OF GOD

CHORAL ANTHEM My Faith Has Found a Resting Place
My faith has found a resting place,
Not in device nor creed;
I trust the Ever-living One,
His wounds for me shall plead.

I need no other argument, I need no other plea;

Chuck Bridwell

It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, This ends my fear and doubt; A sinful soul I come to Him, He'll never cast me out.

I need no other argument, I need no other plea; It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.

My great Physician heals the sick, The lost He came to save; For me His precious blood He shed, For me His life He gave.

I need no other argument, I need no other plea; It is enough that Jesus died, And that He died for me.

My faith has found a resting place In Jesus Christ, my Lord!

READING OF GOD'S WORD John 20:19-31 Rev. Riker

THE SERMON I Don't Believe it Rev. Riker

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE The Lord's Prayer Rev. Riker

HYMN OF DEDICATION O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing! No. 117

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

1 O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of Heaven, the glorious King, O'er death and hell rose triumphing. Alleluia! Alleluia!

2 That night the apostles met in fear; Among them came their Lord most dear, And said, "My peace be with you here." Alleluia! Alleluia!

3 When Thomas first the tidings heard, How they had seen the risen Lord, He doubted the disciples' word. Alleluia! Alleluia! 4 "My pierced side O Thomas, see; My hands, My feet, I show to thee; Not faithless, but believing be." Alleluia! Alleluia!

5 No longer Thomas then denied, He saw the feet, the hands, the side; "Thou art my Lord and God," he cried. Alleluia! Alleluia!

6 How blest are they who have not seen, And yet whose faith hath constant been, For they eternal life shall win. Alleluia! Alleluia!

BENEDICTION Rev. Riker

RESPONSE TO THE BENEDICTION First Song of Isaiah

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust in Him and not be afraid. For the Lord is my strong-hold and my sure defense, And He will be my Savior.

*POSTLUDE Low in the Grave He Lay Lowry/Hayes