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APRIL 18, 2021

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# WORSHIP SERVICE

April 18, 2021

Third Sunday of Eastertide

Prelude

Words of Welcome and Announcements

## GATHERING

**\*Call to Worship from Psalm 22:25-31 (NLT)**

*I will praise you in the great assembly. I will fulfill my vows in the presence of those who worship you.*

**The poor will eat and be satisfied. All who seek the Lord will praise him. Their hearts will rejoice with everlasting joy.**

*The whole earth will acknowledge the Lord and return to him. All the families of the nations will bow down before him.*

**For royal power belongs to the Lord. He rules all the nations. Let the rich of the earth feast and worship.**

*Bow before him, all who are mortal, all whose lives will end as dust.*

**Our children will also serve him. Future generations will hear about the wonders of the Lord.**

*His righteous acts will be told to those not yet born. They will hear about everything he has done.*

## Praise

Songs of Praise

*“Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing” (#206 vs. 1, 3-4)*

*“Come to Us, Beloved Stranger” (#207 vs. 1-3)*

God’s Greeting

## Renewal

**Call to Confession from Psalm 32:1-5**

*Blessed is the one whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the one whose sin the Lord does not count against them and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy on me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.” And you forgave the guilt of my sin.*

**Prayer of Confession:**

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we**

have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name, Amen.

**Song of Assurance:** “You Are My Hiding Place” (#412)

**Words of Assurance from Psalm 32:6-7 & Colossians 3:1-4**

*Therefore let all the faithful pray to you while you may be found; surely the rising of the mighty waters will not reach them.*

***You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble and surround me with songs of deliverance.***

*Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.*

**Song of Response:** “Blessed Assurance: Jesus is Mine” (#363 vs. 1-3)

## RESPONSE

**Prayers of the People**

**Reminder of Opportunity for Tithes and Offerings**

**(Designated Offering: General Fund)**

## PROCLAMATION

**Scripture:** Isaiah 59:1-21 & Ephesians 6:10-20

*This is the Word of the Lord*

**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon:** Fearful Animals; God’s Armor

**Hymn of Response:** “Savior of the Nations, Come” (#74 vs. 1, 4, 6)

## SENDING

**\*Benediction**

**\*Doxology** “Savior of the Nations, Come” (#74 vs. 7)

**Postlude**

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