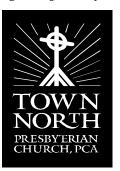
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The Week's Order of WORSHIP for THE LORD'S DAY

April 12, 2020 10:30 A.M. EASTER SUNDAY

REFLECTION

"The world is not going anywhere, in the sense of the old optimist progressives, or even of the old pessimist reactionaries. It is not going to the Brave New World which Mr. Aldous Huxley described with detestation, any more than to the New Utopia which Mr. H.G. Wells described with delight. The world is what the saints and the prophets saw it was; it is not merely getting better or merely getting worse; there is one thing that the world does; it wobbles."

-G. K. Chesterton, The Well and the Shallows, 1935

PRELUDE Lynna Harbison

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor Andrew Cies

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTOR: Christ the Lord is risen!

PEOPLE: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

PASTOR: Glory and honor, dominion and power,

be to God forever and ever!

PEOPLE: Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

"Christ the Lord is ris'n today," Alleluia! sons of men and angels say; Alleluia! raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia! sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia! Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia! death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia! where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia! where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia! made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia! ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia! Praise to thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia! thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia! hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 16:1-7

PASTOR: When the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone had been rolled back—it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe, and they were alarmed. And he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen; he is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going

before you to Galilee. There you will see him, just as he told you."

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ALL: Almighty God, you have shown us grace, and given us new life through your Son. According to your grace, forgive us for the ways we have not lived in line with this new life. Forgive us for not believing your promises. Renew us today through the resurrection of your Son Jesus. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

OF SIN

we individually come to God in prayer,
silently confessing personal sins so that we may
take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD

Romans 6:4-5, 11

PASTOR:

We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

SONG OF RESPONSE

Congregation

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song; this cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My comforter, my all in all here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied; for ev'ry sin on him was laid—here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain; then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again! And as he stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am his and he is mine—bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—this is the pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.

No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand; till he returns or calls me home—here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

PASTOR: People of God, what do you believe?

ALL: We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

The Day of Resurrection!

- ¹ The day of resurrection!
 Earth, tell it out abroad;
 the Passover of gladness,
 the Passover of God.
 From death to life eternal,
 from this world to the sky,
 our Christ hath brought us over
 with hymns of victory.
- ² Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light; and listening to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain, his own "All hail!" and hearing, may raise the victor strain.
- ³ Now let the heav'ns be joyful, let earth her song begin; let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein; invisible and visible, their notes let all things blend, for Christ the Lord hath risen, our joy that hath no end.

SCRIPTURE READING

Elder David Hitt

2 Corinthians 4:7-18

⁷But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹ persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰ always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. ¹¹ For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. ¹² So death is at work in us, but life in you.

¹³ Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, ¹⁴ knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. ¹⁵ For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

¹⁶ So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

"The World Wobbles"

RESPONDING IN SONG

Hymn 286 (vv 1-5)

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Rise, O church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell. Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell. Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now, its mouth declares: "Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares." Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with power; all hell's minions may assemble, but cannot withstand his hour. He has conquered, he has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer, but the truth proclaims a wonder thoughtful hearts receive with cheer. He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!

We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory; sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free. Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King! PASTOR: "Death is swallowed up in victory."

> "O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to

God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Amen.

POSTLUDE Lynna Harbison

Ensemble music: CCLI#89171 Unless otherwise noted, all scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version of the Bible

SERMON NOTES

| "The World Wobbles" | 2 Corinthians 4:7-18 |
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| Vext Week: | |
| Text: Mark 6:14-29 | |

Preacher: Rev. David Rogers

ACTIVITIES & ANNºUNCEMENTS

SUNDAYEaster Sunday Worship Service—by Livestream10:30 a.m.TUESDAYDeacons Meeting—by Zoom Videoconference7:00 p.m.WEDNESDAYWednesday Night Prayer—by Zoom Conference7:00 p.m.

Church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/events.

WORSHIP SERVICE

By LIVESTREAM

ACCESS: 1. Go to the Town North web site: <u>www.tnpc.org</u>

2. Click on the button that says: "Join TNPC Livestream Worship"

{NO PUBLIC SERVICES DUE TO COMMUNITY DISEASE (CORONAVIRUS) CONTROL GUIDELINES}

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LEBANON PROJECT — If you would like to support Pastor Imad Aubrey's ministry in Lebanon, please write checks payable to Town North Presbyterian Church with "Lebanon Project" on the memo line.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRAYER!
7:00 P.M. BY ZOOM CONFERENCE

Disciple Groups, Life-on-Life, Bible Studies, and other small groups are meeting by Zoom conferencing or in homes at leader & group discretion.

TNPC Officer Meetings and Ministry Leader Meetings will be held by Zoom Videoconference. The following ministry activities are CANCELLED for the weeks to come until further notice:

- Children's Sunday School
- Youth Sunday School
- Adult Sunday School & Inquirer's Class
- Youth Group (Sunday night)
- Communicants Class
- Covenant Clubhouse
- Choir and Ensemble practices
- Visitors Lunch & Kid's Lunch
- On-campus Bible Studies& Prayer Teams
- Evening Lord's Supper services

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