



Highlands United Methodist Church  
Order of Online Worship  
April 12, 2020 at 10:30 AM  
Easter Sunday

The Reverend Mikah Hudson, Preaching  
The Reverend Henry Gibson & The Reverend Deb Welsh, Liturgists  
Reggie Holder, Children's Moment  
Richard Phillips, Choirmaster and Organist  
David Busby, Lindsay Dawson, Thomas Head, and Mary Elizabeth Neal, Chamber Choir

Orchestra Prelude                      **Sinfonia in D Major**                      *Johann Christian Bach (1756-1791)*  
Op. 18, No 1; Movement I

Easter Proclamation  
*Alleluia! Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*  
*The Nash, Soong, Green, and Arnold Families*

Hymn                      **Christ the Lord is Risen Today**                      EASTER HYMN  
(See last page of document)                      verses 1-4                      *Descant Setting: Anthony Baldwin*

Collect for Easter                      Sonya Heath

The Passing of the Peace                      The Reverend Henry Gibson

The Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings                      The Reverend Mikah Hudson

Anthem                      **Christ Is Now Arisen**  
*The Choir*

*Now the song is begun, for the battle is done, and the victory won: Now the foe is scattered:  
Death's dark prison shattered: Sing of joy; and today raise the lay, Christ is now arisen.  
They that followed in pain shall now follow to reign, and the crown shall obtain; They were sore assaulted,  
They shall be exalted: Sing of joy; Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!  
For the foe nevermore can approach to that shore, when the conflict is o're: There is joy supernal;  
There is peace eternal; Sing of life: Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!  
Then be brave, then be true, Ye despised and ye few, for the crown is for you:  
Christ, who went before you, spreads His buckler o'er you. Sing of strength; Earth and skies bid it rise,  
Christ is now arisen! Lo, the vict'ry is won, now the foe is scattered, Death's dark prison shattered!  
Hallelujah. Earth and skies bid it rise Christ is now arisen!*

*Arranged by K. Lee Scott (b. 1950) **Personent Hodie***

*Text, 14<sup>th</sup> Century*

Children's Moment                      Reggie Holder

The Prayers of the People                      The Reverend Deb Welsh

Solo

**The Lord's Prayer**  
Savannah Busby, soprano

Albert Hay Malotte (1895-1964)

The Lesson

John 20:1-18  
Susan Crow, reader

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. <sup>2</sup> So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." <sup>3</sup> Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup> The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup> He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup> Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup> and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup> Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup> for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup> Then the disciples returned to their homes.

<sup>11</sup> But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup> and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. <sup>13</sup> They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup> Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup> Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup> Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

May these words reveal Christ to us.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Homily

The Reverend Mikah Hudson

The Apostles' Creed

The Rand Family

Blessing

The Reverend Mikah Hudson

Postlude

**Hallelujah Chorus**  
from MESSIAH

Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ;  
and he shall reign forever and ever, King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!

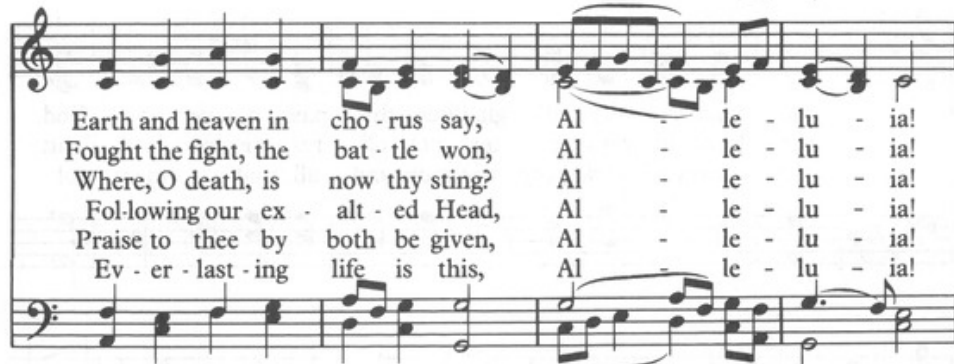
George Friedrich Händel (1685-1759)

Text, Revelation 19:6; 11: 15

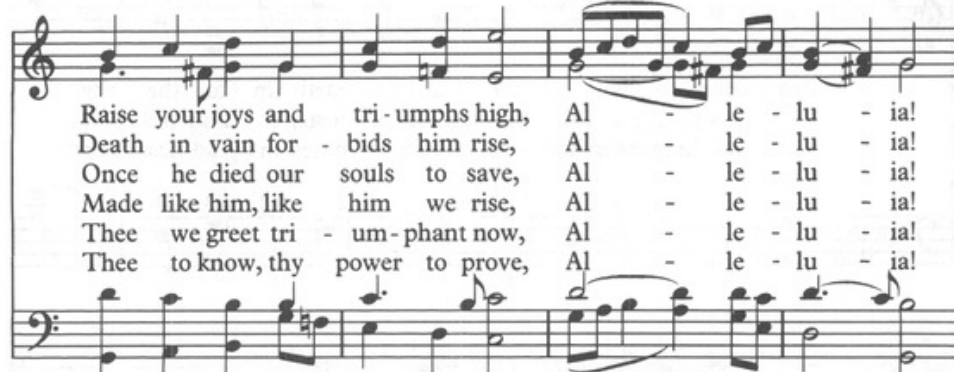
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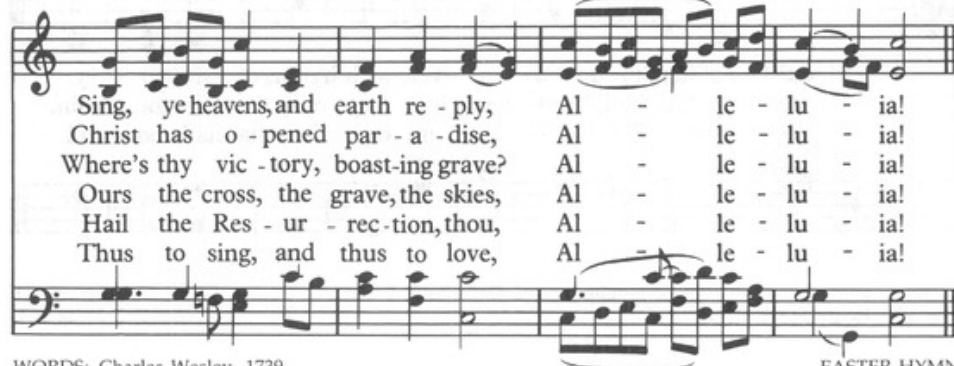
1. Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2. Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 \* 5. Hail the Lord of earth and heaven, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 \* 6. King of glo - ry, soul of bliss, Al - le - lu - ia!



Earth and heaven in cho - rus say, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fol - lowing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise to thee by both be given, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ev - er - last - ing life is this, Al - le - lu - ia!



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Once he died our souls to save, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Made like him, like him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Thee we greet tri - um - phant now, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Thee to know, thy power to prove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Where's thy vic - tory, boast - ing grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Hail the Res - ur - rec - tion, thou, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Thus to sing, and thus to love, Al - le - lu - ia!

WORDS: Charles Wesley, 1739  
 MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

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