



The Doubt of St. Thomas
He Qi

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

OPENING VOLUNTARY

HOLY MANNA

ARR. DAVID CHERWIEN

(As the opening voluntary begins, please use the time to center yourself for worship.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOLLY MCGINNIS

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen, indeed!

RINGING OF THE BELL

✦ OPENING SENTENCES

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen, indeed!

We gather again to celebrate the resurrection.

We gather again to proclaim life in the face of death.

The risen Christ meets us here and says, "Peace be with you."

The risen Christ goes before us in the new life God offers.

Open our lips, O God.

And our mouths will declare your praise!

✦ HYMN NO. 248

CHRIST IS RISEN! SHOUT HOSANNA!

HYMN TO JOY

Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

✦ When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

For the younger ones among us:

You may have noticed that we are saying "Christ is risen!" again today. Easter was last week, right? Actually, Easter is a whole season! The church calendar has different seasons in the year to celebrate and reflect on different things. Easter lasts for 50 days! Alleluia! You'll have to ask your parents about the candy, though.

✦CALL TO CONFESSION

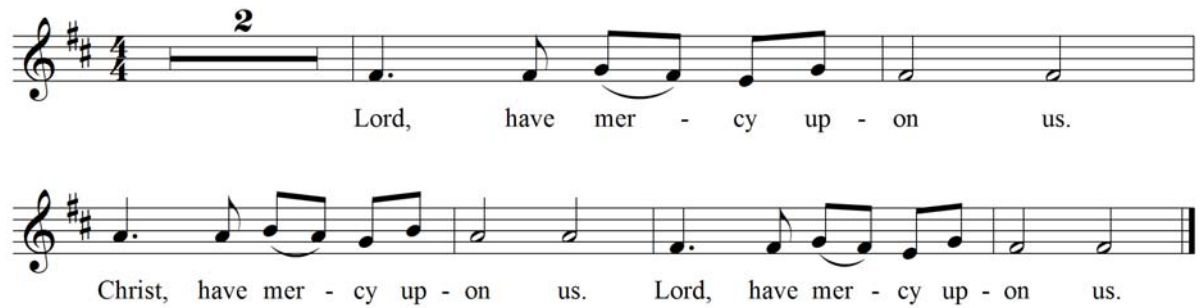
✦PRAYER OF CONFESSION

How quickly we forget that we are an Easter people, raised up out of the ways of death into fullness of life. Forgive us, God, for seeking to limit your truth to what we can understand. Forgive us for doubting the reality of your presence with us. While we long for the new life you offer, the power of death leaves us shaken and hesitant. We are ruled by fears more than faith, by hostility more than peace, by doubt more than hope. Overwhelmed by the busyness of our lives and struggles of our world, we begin to wonder whether the good news is really for us. Release us from our fear and help us to see and believe the signs of your presence so that we may witness with joy to our risen Lord . . .

(Silence for personal prayer and reflection.)

✦KYRIE

LEE AFDAHL



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

✦ASSURANCE OF PARDON

✦PASSING THE PEACE

✦RESPONSE HYMN NO. 582 GLORY TO GOD, WHOSE GOODNESS SHINES ON ME

PAUL VASILE

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

ACTS 2:14A, 22-32

PAGE 112 NT, PEW BIBLE

SECOND READING

JOHN 20:19-31

PAGE 109 NT, PEW BIBLE

SERMON

THE FLIP SIDE OF EASTER

KIMBERLY WAGNER

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

✦HYMN

CHRIST HAS RISEN WHILE EARTH SLUMBERS (See insert)

HOLY MANNA

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

FROM THE IONA ABBEY WORSHIP BOOK

With the whole church, we affirm that we are made in God's image,
befriended by Christ, and empowered by the Spirit.
With people everywhere we affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity,
planted more deeply than all that is wrong.
With all creation we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life;
the unfolding purposes of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.
And so, in the midst of hunger and war, we celebrate the promise of plenty and peace.
In the midst of doubt and despair we celebrate the promise of faith and hope.
In the midst of hatred and death, we celebrate the promise of love and life.
We celebrate the promise of the Living Christ.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MICHELLE HWANG

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(Please see the text in the margin note.)*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

(Please sign the Friendship Pad found at one end of your pew, and pass it along.)

MUSIC AT THE OFFERTORY

EASTER ANTHEM
CHANCEL CHOIR

WILLIAM BILLINGS

The Lord is risen indeed! Hallelujah!
Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that slept.
And did he rise? Hear it, ye nations! Hear it, O ye dead! He rose, he rose,
He burst the bars of death and triumphed o'er the grave.
Then, then I rose. Then first humanity triumphant passed the crystal ports of light,
and seized eternal youth. Humanity immortal, hail, hail.
Heaven all lavish of strange gifts to us.
Thine's all the glory, ours the boundless bliss.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Blessed One, our Father and our Mother, Holy is your name. May your love be enacted in the world. May your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For all that we do in your love, and all that your love brings to birth, and the fullness of love that will be are yours, now and forever. Amen.

During the offering, take a minute to sign the friendship pads found in each pew. If you are visiting with us, please leave your contact information so that we can reach out to you! Newcomers and regulars alike can see who is sitting around them and greet each other by name. By signing in, you help us build stronger community connections at Central.

✦ AT THE PRESENTATION HYMN NO. 240, STANZA 1

ALLELUIA NO. 1

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.
Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the king of creation.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord,
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

✦ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

✦ HYMN NO. 246 CHRIST IS ALIVE! (STANZAS 1-4)

TRURO

✦ CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

✦ CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE HYMN NO. 246 (STANZA 5))

TRURO

Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,
Till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

HYMN TO JOY

BEETHOVEN, ARR. DAVID CHERWIEN

WORSHIP NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our liturgists today are Michelle Hwang and Molly McGinnis.

Our lector today is Lillian Paris.

Audio recordings of sermons may be found at www.cpcatlanta.org. You may find us on Facebook as "Central Presbyterian Church."

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WELCOME VISITORS

Welcome to Central! We are glad you are here! All are invited to worship God in this place. Wherever you are on the journey of faith, may Central be a community in which you can be nurtured and supported along the way and a place where you may serve and be served in the spirit of Christ. Contact David Cozad at dcozad@cpcatlanta.org to learn more about life at Central. We hope to see you again soon!

TOWN HALL

To hear the survey results
Sunday, April 30 | 12:30 in the Atrium

THOSE SERVING DURING WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers

Jeff Spruell, captain
Mary Sidney Harbert ▪ Sherry Wright
Kimble McNair ▪ Deanna Robbins
Em McNair ▪ Wills Moore

Greeters

Isabel Werber ▪ Daphne Evans
Nancy Wilkes ▪ Martha Kimes

Sound Engineer

Tom Banyai

Deacons of the Day

Paul Greene ▪ Becky Battle

Collectors of Friendship Pads

Liz Burkhardt ▪ Becca Leland
Hugh & Shirley Landrum

Bell Ringer

Runge Family

Counters

Doris Beachy ▪ Roland Kinser
Max Gallman ▪ Stephen Smith

Choir Guild

Kathy Kohn

THIS WEEK AT CENTRAL

Sunday, April 23

12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch
12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
4:30 p.m. Silent Auction and Variety Show
(See schedule elsewhere in bulletin)

Monday, April 24

5:30 p.m. Stated Session Meeting

Tuesday, April 25

10:00 a.m. Worship Staff Meeting
1:30 p.m. Revelation Ringers

Wednesday, April 26

5:30 p.m. Geneva Handbell Choir
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 27

No events scheduled

Friday, April 28

No events scheduled

Saturday, April 29

6:00 p.m. Ceilidh - Scottish Dancing
St. Lukes Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 30

9:00 a.m. Children's Choirs
9:00 a.m. Youth Handbell Choir
9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
11:00 a.m. Worship for the Lord's Day
Anna George Traynham
preaching
Installation of Officers
12:15 p.m. Fellowship Lunch
12:15 p.m. Peace Vigil
12:30 p.m. Town Hall Survey Report
Atrium
5:00 p.m. Elementary Parent's Potluck
6:00 p.m. Youth Hangout

CEILIDH! SCOTTISH FOLK DANCING

Saturday, April 29

6:00 p.m.

Includes a light supper
St. Luke's Presbyterian
Church

1978 Mount Vernon Road
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