

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Glorious Easter Sunday
Lord's Day April 21st, 2019

† *Those who are able please rise.*
∫ *Those who are able please kneel.*

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

AND THE CROWD CRIED OUT Mrs. Wendy Henry

CONFESSION OF SIN

∫ SILENT CONFESSION

∫ CORPORATE CONFESSION

Minister: O LORD, the great and awesome God, who keeps
 covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and
 keep His commandments, we have sinned and done wrong and
 acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from Your
 commandments and rules.

Congregation: *O LORD, we have sinned against You.*

Minister: We have not listened to Your servants the prophets, who spoke
 in Your name to our rulers, our leaders, and our fathers, and to
 all the people of the land. To You, O LORD, belongs
 righteousness, but to us open shame, as it is today, to all the Israel
 of God, those who are near and those who are far away, in all the
 lands to which You have driven them, because of the treachery
 that we have committed against You. To us, O LORD, belongs
 open shame, to our rulers, to our leaders, and to our fathers,
 because we have sinned against You.

Congregation: *O LORD, we have sinned against You.*

Minister: To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, for we have
 rebelled against Him and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD
 our God by walking in His laws, which He set before us by His
 servants the prophets. All the Israel of God has transgressed Your
 law and turned aside, refusing to obey Your voice. And the curse
 and oath that are written in the Law of Moses the servant of
 God have been poured out upon us, because we have sinned
 against Him. He has confirmed His words, which He spoke
 against us and against our rulers who ruled us, by bringing upon
 us great calamity. For under the whole heaven there has not been
 done anything like what has been done against His people. As it is

written in the Law of Moses, all this calamity has come upon us;
yet we have not entreated the favor of the LORD our God, turning
from our iniquities and gaining insight by Your truth. Therefore
the LORD has kept ready calamity and has brought it upon us, for
the LORD our God is righteous in all the works that He has done,
and we have not obeyed His voice.

Congregation: *O LORD, we have sinned against You.*

Minister: And now, O LORD our God, who brought Your people out of
 the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and have made a name for
 Yourself, as it is this day, we have sinned, we have done wickedly.
 O LORD, according to all Your righteous acts, let Your anger and
 Your wrath turn away from Your people, who are called by Your
 name, because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers,
 Your people have become a byword among all the nations.

All: *Now therefore, O our God, listen to the prayer of Your servants and
to our pleas for mercy, and for Your own sake, O LORD, make
your face to shine upon Your sanctuaries. O our God, incline
Your ear and hear. Open Your eyes and see our desolation. For
we do not present our pleas before You because of our
righteousness, but because of the righteousness of Your Son, Jesus
Christ, mercy made flesh for Your people. O LORD, hear; O
LORD, forgive. O LORD, pay attention and act. Delay not, for
Your own sake and for Your Son's sake, O our God, and for Your
people who are called by Your name. Amen.*

(from Dan. 9)

∫ ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Minister: Brothers and sisters, hear the LORD's words of pardon to you:

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in
 Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free
 in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. (Rom. 8:1-2)

ALL: *Thanks be to the LORD!*

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

†PSALM OF ASCENDING #81A

†RESPONSIVE READING

GENESIS 15:1-20

Leader: After these things the word of the Yahweh came to Abram in a
vision: "Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very
great."

Congregation: *But Abram said, "O Lord Yahweh, what will you give me,
for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?"
And Abram said, "Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member
of my household will be my heir."*

Leader: And behold, the word of Yahweh came to him: "This man shall
not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir." And He brought
him outside and said, "Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you
are able to number them." Then He said to him, "So shall your offspring
be."

Congregation: *And he believed Yahweh, and He counted it to him as
righteousness.*

Leader: And He said to him, "I am Yahweh who brought you out from Ur
of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess."

Congregation: *But he said, "O Lord Yahweh, how am I to know that I
shall possess it?"*

Leader: He said to him, "Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat
three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon."
Congregation: *And he brought him all these, cut them in half, and laid
each half over against the other. But he did not cut the birds in half. And
when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.
As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold,
dreadful and great darkness fell upon him.*

Leader: Then Yahweh said to Abram, "Know for certain that your
offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants
there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. But I will bring
judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out
with great possessions. As for yourself, you shall go to your fathers in
peace; you shall be buried in a good old age. And they shall come back
here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet
complete."

ALL: *When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking
fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces. On that day
Yahweh made a covenant with Abram, saying, "To your offspring I give
this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,
the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites, the Kadmonites, the Hittites, the
Perizzites, the Rephaim, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites and
the Jebusites."*

Leader: This is the Word of the Yahweh!

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

†HYMN
UP FROM THE GRAVE HE AROSE #367

† NICENE CREED (See Insert)

∫PASTORAL PRAYER

∫THE LORD'S PRAYER

†READING OF THE COVENANT

Minister: Hear now the LORD's holy, infallible, and inerrant Word.

First Reading: **Acts 17:16–34**
Second Reading: **Romans 4:13–25**
Third Reading: **Mark 2:13–17**

Minister: This is the Word of the LORD!
Congregation: *The LORD our God we will serve, and His voice we will obey!*

†PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

PREACHING OF THE COVENANT
THE TRINITY IS JUSTIFIED
MARK 2:13–17

MINISTRY OF THE SACRAMENT

†INVITATION TO THE COVENANT MEAL

Minister: The LORD be with you!
Congregation: *And also with you!*
Minister: Lift up your hearts!
Congregation: *We lift them up to the LORD!*
Minister: Let us give thanks to the LORD!
Congregation: *It is good and right so to do!*
Minister: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God; You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which You have prepared for those who love You. Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we praise and magnify your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing,

†SANCTUS (See Insert)

∫ TERMS OF PEACE

Minister: Therefore we proclaim the faith,
ALL: Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again!

†PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

†SHARING OF THE COVENANT MEAL
Genesis 14:13–20; Luke 24:13–35

†CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE *Gloria Patri*

RESPONDING IN THANKS

†PSALM OF PRAISE #117B

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

†DOXOLOGY

†CONSECRATION OF THE OFFERINGS

† BENEDICTION

†HYMN OF DESCENDING
CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY #360

†THE LORD'S COMMISSION
MATTHEW 28:19–20

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THEOLOGY IN PRACTICE: All interested brothers in Christ are invited to Pastor Stewart's house on April 25th to discuss the first section of the Nicene Creed. Bring your favorite adult beverage, a snack, and an appetite for good fellowship! The discussion will begin at 7 p.m.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH: We will be going out into the neighborhood around Temple Israel to introduce ourselves and take prayer requests from our new neighbors on Saturday the 27th at 4 p.m. Please plan to join us!



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