

**APRIL 12, 2009
EASTER SUNDAY**

*The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid;
I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.
He is not here; for he is risen." (Matthew 28: 5-6)*

PROCESSIONAL INTROIT Organist Miah Han
"Trumpet Tune on 'Lyra Davidica'"
David Lasky

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Bill
We extend a special welcome to all guests. **You come as a guest and leave as family.** CDs (\$2.00) & DVDs (\$5.00) are available of today's worship. **Please put your cell phone on vibrate or turn it off. God will find another way to reach you today.**

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

PREPARING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS
CHIMES OF THE HOUR

PRELUDE Chancel Choir
Danielle Fowler-flute, Tim Nicolcia-cello
"Psalm 136: To God the Mighty God"
Maurice Green, arr. by Michael Burkhardt

*CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist
(Matthew 20: 17-19) Seminary Intern, Dan Heaton

L: Jesus told His disciples:
P: **"We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be condemned to death.**
L: He will be mocked and flogged and crucified;
P: **And on the third day he will be raised to life."**
L: Hallelujah! He is risen!!
P: **He is risen, indeed!!**

Choir: Praise the Lord!
People: **The Lord's name be praised!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE Congregation
#123 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

*THE PEACE Congregation
Liturgist: The Peace of the Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Please stand and greet one another, saying, "The Peace of the Lord be with you" or some other appropriate phrase.

CHILDREN'S TIME Pastor
(After the Children's Message and Prayer, the Preschool children return to the Room B05 downstairs, K-5th graders go upstairs to Room 203 for a "Ms Peggy Sunday". Parents who are visiting and wish to take advantage of this special children's time, you may take your children to class with the assistance of Ms. Peggy.

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
Danielle Fowler, Grace Han- flute
Tim Nicolcia-cello, Terry DeFauw -timpani
"Christ Is Risen"
J. S. Bach, arr. by Michael Burkhardt

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Liturgist and Congregation
Almighty God, we hear Your promises in the Easter story. But we fail to live by them. You say You forgive our sins but we go around beating ourselves up with guilt. You promise us eternal life. But we get bogged down with the messiness of life. We think there is nothing in the future for us. You promise to be with us. But we fail to spend time developing a relationship with You. Lord, we are in a sorry state. We need Your promises in the empty cross, the empty tomb, and the empty grave clothes. Amen.

SILENT PERSONAL CONFESSION

(Let us travel through our memories and confess any sins we come upon.)

THE KYRIE p. 574 Congregation

**Lord have mercy upon us,
Christ have mercy upon us,
Lord have mercy upon us.**

ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS Pastor

*RESPONSE: Gloria Patri
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.**

PROCLAIM GOD’S WORD

*HYMN Congregation
#113 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION Pastor

SCRIPTURE Pastor
Old Testament Isaiah 53: 5-9 (page 684)
New Testament Luke 24: 1-12 (page 90)

SERMON “The ‘Empty’ Easter Promises ” Pastor Roxie

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & LORD’S PRAYER Pastor
**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy
kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts
as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil, for thine is the kingdom and the
power and the glory forever. Amen.**

AMEN RESPONSE

Choir

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

OFFERING Pastor

(As the offering plates are being passed, please pass the Friendship pads and sign, with your name, address, e-mail and phone, so we can properly greet you if you are visiting with us today).

MUSIC AT THE OFFERING Keith Brown, vocal solo
“The Holy City” Taemin Han, piano
Stephen Adams

*OFFERING RESPONSE
**Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all
creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GO IN GOD’S NAME

*HYMN Congregation
#122 Thine Is the Glory

**(Please remain standing DURING the Benediction
and the Choral Response)**

*CHARGE/BENEDICTION Pastors

*CHORAL RESPONSE Choir
**(Please be seated AFTER the Choral Response.
This will allow the Chancel Choir to process out)**

POSTLUDE Organist
“Toccata” from “Symphony No. 5”
Charles Marie Widor

* Those who are able may rise.