

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

*Easter*

March 23, 2008

9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
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Welcome. We are an active congregation which is deeply committed to our worship of God, to our mission and service in the community, to the Christian education of both young and old, and aware of the joys and risks of caring for each other. We welcome all persons into our fellowship and service to Jesus Christ. We rejoice over your presence with us, for you are no stranger to us, but rather a friend who is one with us in the Lord Jesus Christ. If you are a visitor, please wear the yellow dove badge, sign the pew pad and visit our Information Table in St. Andrews Hall. Please turn off all electronic communication devices during worship.

\* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

PH - The Presbyterian Hymnal  
Renew - Renew! Hymnal (grey)

OT - Pew Bible Old Testament  
NT - Pew Bible New Testament

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CALLING THE COMMUNITY TO WORSHIP

*A time for silent prayer and preparation*

PRELUDE

*Thine Is the Glory*

arr. John Ferguson

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: Jesus Christ the Lord is risen! Alleluia!

**People: He is risen indeed!**

Pastor: Let us sing our joyous praise.

**People: Alleluia! Amen!**

\* PROCESSIONAL HYMN

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

PH 123

EASTER HYMN

1. **Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!**

**Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!**

**Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!**

**Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

2. **Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!**

**Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!**

**Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!**

**Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

3. **But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!**

**Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

- 4. Sing we to our God, above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as God's love, Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!**

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ANTHEM

9:00

*Christ Our Lord is Risen*

11:00

*Easter Fanfare*

Paul Fetler

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*We will pray first in silence and then together.*)

**God of the resurrection, we confess to you that it is hard to believe in Easter, to have the joy of resurrection in our hearts. We confess our fear of dying and our fears of daily living. We do not have the perfect love and trust which cast out fear. Hope often has no home in our hearts, so we quibble about unimportant matters and worry about little things. Forgive us, and teach us through your triumph over death that Christ is risen and we can be new creatures too. In his name we ask this forgiveness. Amen.**

DECLARATION OF PARDON

Pastor: Friends, hear and believe the good news that comes from God.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen.**

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

PH 104

**Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!  
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.  
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.  
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.**

HYMN TO JOY

\* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

*Greet those around you, saying "Peace be with you" or "The Peace of Christ"*

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**PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

ANTHEM (9:00)

*Christ Our Lord is Risen*

CHILDREN'S MEDITATION

*Children will return to sit with their parents following the meditation*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (*remain seated*)

PH 304 (vs. 1)

JESUS LOVES ME

**Jesus loves me! This I know,**

**For the Bible tells me so;**

**Little ones to Him belong;**

**They are weak, but He is strong.**

**Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!**

**Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.**

ANTHEM (9:00)

*Christ Is Alive*

Truro/arr. Hinton

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

*John 20:1-18*

NT p. 114

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

SERMON

*The Face of Love*

The Reverend Dr. Donna Knight

\* SERMON HYMN

*Christ Is Alive!*

PH 108

TRURO

1. **Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.**  
**The cross stands empty to the sky.**  
**Let streets and homes with praises ring.**  
**Love, drowned in death, shall never die.**
2. **Christ is alive! No longer bound**  
**To distant years in Palestine,**  
**But saving, healing, here and now,**  
**And touching every place and time.**
3. **Not throned afar, remotely high,**  
**Untouched, unmoved by human pains,**  
**But daily, in the midst of life,**  
**Our Savior in the God-head reigns.**
4. **In every insult, rift, and war,**  
**Where color, scorn, or wealth divide,**

**Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
And lives, where even hope has died.**

5. **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.**

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

\* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

**This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

*from 1 Corinthians 15:1-6; Mark 16:9;  
Matthew 16:16; Revelation 22:13; John 20:28*

RITUAL OF FELLOWSHIP/HAND OF GREETING

*We welcome visitors every time we gather for worship, and we hope the warmth of that welcome is evident to you. When the offering is received, please sign the Ritual of Friendship along with all those who are members. Please place the visitor badge on your lapel or collar to identify yourself as a visitor.*

SHARING OF OUR LIVES THROUGH OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY 9:00	<i>Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above</i>	J.S. Bach/arr. D. Blakley
11:00	<i>Let All the World in Every Corner Sing</i>	Dominick Argento

\* PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS AND SETTING OF THE TABLE

\* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Doxology with Alleluias*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!  
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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## SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*All who have been baptized and believe in Jesus Christ, regardless of denomination are invited to join with us*

*in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) practices open communion. Baptized children, with their parents' permission, are encouraged to receive the Sacrament. All other children will be invited to come forward to the Lord's Table to receive the grapes from the pastors.*

#### INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Pastor: Welcome to the joyful feast of the people of God.

**People: Alleluia! Amen!**

Pastor: This is the resurrection meal of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He invites all who trust him to celebrate his resurrection as the triumph of love and to share the feast he has prepared.

**People: To Jesus Christ be the glory and power forever and ever! Amen.**

#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Sanctus*

Renew 207

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are filled with your glory: Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord;  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

LAND OF REST

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER (*debts/debtors*)

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Memorial Acclamation*

Renew 209

Leader: Christ has died,

**People: Christ has died,**

Leader: Christ is risen,

**People: Christ is risen,**

Leader: Christ will come again!

**People: Christ will come again!**

#### SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

**People: Alleluia! Amen!**

#### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

*Jesus, Lamb of God*

Renew 215

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**  
**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**  
**Jesus, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace. Give us your peace.**  
**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.**  
**Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.**  
**Jesus, Redeemer of the world, give us your peace.**

*The bread and wine are used as symbols of the body and blood of Christ. During the Supper, you are invited to serve the bread and wine to one another. You can use the words "The Body of Christ" or "The Bread of Life" for the bread and "The Blood of Christ" or "The Cup of the New Covenant" for the wine, or another appropriate greeting. The elements being served during our communion service include wine in the outer ring and grape juice in the inner ring. A separate basket of gluten free wafers for those with a wheat allergy or intolerance will be passed. Please indicate if you need it passed to you. Children not partaking of the supper may come forward to receive the grapes.*

#### COMMUNION MUSIC

9:00	<i>Jesus Christ Is Risen Today</i>	arr. Angerman
11:00	<i>Now the Green Blade Rises</i>	arr. Erik Whitehill

#### SHARING OF THE GRAPES WITH THE CHILDREN

##### \* THE GRACE

**Pastor:** The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**People:** **And also with you.**

##### \* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

PH 508 (vs.1)

**For the bread which You have broken,  
For the wine which You have poured,  
For the words which You have spoken,  
Now we give You thanks, O Lord.**

KINGDOM

##### \* PRAYER AFTER THE SUPPER (*unison*)

**We give thanks great God, for the hope we have in Jesus, who died but is risen, and rules over all. We praise you for His presence with us. Because he lives we look for eternal life, knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come, can separate us from your great love made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### GOING FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST

##### \* HYMN OF DEDICATION

*The Day of Resurrection!*

PH 118

**1. The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad;**

LANCASHIRE

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 heavens be joyful,  
Let earth the song begin,  
Let the round world keep triumph,  
And all that is therein;  
Let all things seen and unseen  
Their notes of gladness blend,  
For Christ the Lord is risen,  
Our joy that hath no end.

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION/EASTER GREETINGS

POSTLUDE

*Toccata from Symphony V*

C.M. Widor

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING - We will be receiving the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering. Envelopes for the offering may be found in the pew racks.

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LAY READER 9:00  
11:00

Bob Johnson  
Linton Brooks

MUSIC MINISTRY 9:00  
11:00

Joyful Noise/Cherubs/Chimers/Genesis/St. Andrews  
Chancel Choir/Westminster Choir

INSTRUMENTS 9:00/11:00

Ken McGee and Michael Kerns, trumpet, Elisa Harvey, euphonium  
Trent Stockton, trombone, Kelly Breedlove, timpani

CLERK OF SESSION  
TREASURER  
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