

HARVARD

The Memorial Church



ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 21, 2024, 11 am

PRELUDE

Introduction and Toccata on “Weisse flaggen” from *Triptych for Organ*

Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953)

HYMN

No. 1, “All People That on Earth Do Dwell”
The congregation stands and sings

Old Hundredth

CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

Minister: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Minister: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

People: This is the Lord’s doing; and it is marvelous in our eyes.

Minister: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. God’s steadfast love endures forever.

People: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Minister: O taste and see that the Lord is good; blessed are those who take refuge in God.

CONFESSION

In unison

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sin, and whose mercy we forget: cleanse us from all offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires; that humbly we may draw near to thee, confessing our faults, confiding in thy grace, and finding in thee our refuge and our strength, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

HYMN

No. 23, “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”
The congregation stands and sings

Ode to Joy

THE PEACE AND GREETINGS

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

All are invited to join in the singing of Hymn No. 27, stanza 1

OFFERTORY

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Psalm 23 *Dominus regit me*

C. Hylton Stewart (1884–1932)

Sung by the choir

DOXOLOGY

The congregation stands and sings.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all people here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

FIRST LESSON

1 John 3:16–24

Pew Bible, page 213 (NT)

ANTHEM

Will the Circle Be Unbroken (arr. 2011/16)

*Traditional Appalachian
arr. J. David Moore (b. 1962)*

Will the circle be unbroken by and by, Lord, by and by?

There's a better home a-waiting if we try, Lord, if we try.

I was singing with my sisters (and my brothers)

I was singing with my friends

And we all can sing together,

'Cause the circle never ends.

I was born down in the valley

Where the sun refuse' to shine

But I'm climbing up to the highland

Gonna make that mountain mine

Cathy Winter, Betsy Rose, and Marcia Taylor

SECOND LESSON

John 10:11–18

Pew Bible, page 90 (NT)

ANTHEM

Let Us Cheer the Weary Traveler (publ. 1926)

*African American Spiritual
arr. R. Nathaniel Dett (1882–1943)*

Let us cheer the weary traveler,
Cheer the weary traveler,
Let us cheer the weary traveler,
Along the heavenly way.

I'll take my gospel trumpet,
And I'll begin to blow,
And if my Savior helps me,
I'll blow wherever I go.

And if you meet with crosses
And trials on the way,
Just keep your trust in Jesus,
And don't forget to pray.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

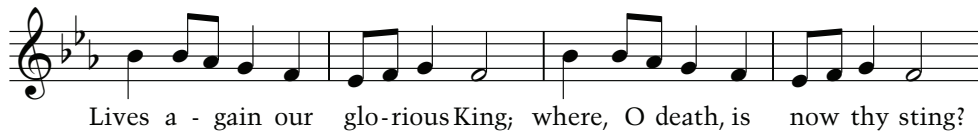
THE LORD'S PRAYER

In unison

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

PRAYER RESPONSE

The congregation remains seated



SERMON

Anna Burnham

HYMN

No. 196, “The King of Love My Shepherd Is”
The congregation stands and sings

St. Columba

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Nun danket alle Gott: Marche triomphale, Op. 65, No. 59 (ca. 1908) *Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877–1933)*

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