



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday in Easter

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE- Jour d'ete a la montagne
I. Pastorale

Eugene Bozza (1905-1991)

CALL TO WORSHIP- Psalm 57:8-11

Liturgist: Caitlin Vera

Leader: Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn.

**People: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
We will sing praises to you among the nations.**

Leader: For your steadfast love is as high as the heavens;
your faithfulness extends to the clouds.

People: Be exalted, O God, above the heavens. Let your glory be over all the earth.

*HYMN #251

Thine Is the Glory

*1 Thine is the glory,
risen conquering Son;
endless is the victory
thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded graveclothes
where thy body lay.*

*lovingly he greets us,
scatters fear and gloom.
let his church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing;
for the Lord now liveth;
death hath lost its sting. [Refrain]*

Refrain:

*Thine is the glory, risen,
conquering Son;
endless is the victory
thou o'er death has won*

*3 No more we doubt thee,
glorious Prince of Life!
Life is naught without thee;
aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors
through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan
to thy home above. [Refrain]*

*2 Lo! Jesus meets us.
Risen from the tomb,*

*OPENING PRAYER

*PRAISE SONG

Better Is One Day

*How lovely is your dwelling place
Oh, Lord Almighty
For my soul longs and even faints for You
For here my heart is satisfied
Within Your presence
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings*

*Better is one day in Your courts
Better is one day in Your house
Better is one day in Your courts
Than thousands elsewhere*

*One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place Your glory dwells
One thing I ask and I would seek
To see Your beauty
To find You in the place Your glory dwells*

*My heart and flesh cry out
For You, the living God
Your Spirit's water to my soul
I've tasted and I've seen
Come once again to me
I will draw near to You
I will draw near to You*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. Amen.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – Apostle's Creed**

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and born of the Virgin Mary, He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day He rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Karey Garrison

ANTHEM

A Hymn Medley

John E. Davis

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory- American Hymn Medley

Victoria Jicha (b. 1926)

***Doxology– 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 Dedication**

SCRIPTURE:

1 Peter 4:1-6

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON:

"Learning How To Die"

Ars Moriendi: The Art of Dying Well

*"...for whoever has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin,
so as to live for the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for human passions
but for the will of God." – 1 Peter 4: 1-2*

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Words of Introduction, Invitation, Institution
Partaking of the Communion Elements
Closing

*CLOSING HYMN #679

1 Sing the wondrous love of Jesus,
Sing His mercy and His grace;
In the mansions bright and blessed
He'll prepare for us a place.

Refrain:

When we all get to heaven,
what a day of rejoicing that will be!
When we all see Jesus,
we'll sing and shout the victory!

2 While we walk the pilgrim pathway
Clouds will overspread the sky;

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE- Jour d'ete a la montagne
IV. Ronde

When We All Get to Heaven

*But when traveling days are over
Not a shadow, not a sigh. [Refrain]*

3 *Let us then be true and faithful,
Trusting, serving every day;
Just one glimpse of Him in glory
Will the toils of life repay. [Refrain]*

4 *Onward to the prize before us!
Soon His beauty we'll behold;
Soon the pearly gates will open-
We shall tread the streets of gold. [Refrain]*

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