

Fairlawn Christian Reformed Church

EASTER SUNDAY

April 21, 2019 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION AND PRAISE

Prelude: "An Easter Carillon"
"Christ the Lord Has Risen"
"The Risen Christ"

Smith
Broughton
Peterson

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

* Call to Worship: Luke 24:1–8

Choir Anthem: "Because He Lives, Amen" arr. Hogan

* Hymn: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" PH 388:1–4

* God's Greeting:

Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who has created us and saved us in Jesus Christ our hope.

The Lord is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Grace and peace from him who was and is and is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before the throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

Amen.

* Prayer of the Day:

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. From the waters of death you raise us with him and renew your gift of life within us. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

* Response: "Oh, How Good Is Christ the Lord" PH 401

CONFESSION AND PRAYER

Call to Confession: *Our World Belongs to God* §56 PH 1037

God's Will for Our Lives: Colossians 3:1–10

Prayer of Confession

Response: "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" PH 402

Assurance of Pardon: 1 Corinthians 15:20–22

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

* Hymn: "Low in the Grave Christ Lay" PH 396

Children's Message

Prayer for Illumination

[Children age 3 – grade K may leave for Children’s Church after the prayer.]

Scripture Reading:

Hebrews 2:5–18 (p. 1185)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon: *Free Indeed*

Prayer

* Hymn: “This Joyful Eastertide”

PH 403

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

* Offertory Prayer

Offering: Fairlawn General Fund

Offertory: “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

Smith

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

* Benediction:

“I am the resurrection and the life,” says the Lord.
May Christ’s rising lift your spirits and gladden your hearts.

Alleluia! Amen.

All those who believe in Christ will never perish.
May you pass with Christ from death to life.

Alleluia! Amen.

Christ has gone to prepare a place for us.

May his resurrection bring you all joy and peace in believing so that you may
abound in hope.

Alleluia! Amen.

Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—bless you now and forever.

Alleluia! Amen.

* Doxology: “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

PH 388:5

* Postlude: “Paeon of Triumph”

Smith
