

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

APRIL 16, 2023 | 10:15 A.M.

PREPARATION & PRAISE

Prelude: "Shout to the North," "Rise Up, O Church of God" Arr. Tom Fetke
"Holy is the Lord" Arr. Tom Gerou and Victor Labenske
Chorus from "Judas Maccabaeus" G.F. Handel

Welcome and Announcements

ENTER HIS GATES WITH THANKSGIVING

Call to Worship: Psalm 16:7-12

Prayer of the Day:

Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your Son you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in him. Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

- * Hymn: "Come You Faithful, Raise the Strain" PH 389
- * God's Greeting: based on Revelation 1:5-6

CONFESSION & PRAYER

Call to Confession Lord's Day 23 (PH p. 886)

Prayer of Confession

Hymn: "His Mercy Is More"

Assurance of Pardon: based on Romans 6:1-7

God's Will for Our Lives: Romans 6:8-14

Congregational Prayer

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

- * Hymn: "Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"
- Prayer for Illumination
- Sermon: *The Beginnings of Eternal Joy* Luke 24:1-12 (p. 1047)

- * Hymn: "See, What a Morning"

OUR RESPONSE OF GRATITUDE

- * Offertory Prayer for the General Fund & NAC Food Pantry
- * Confession of Faith: Apostles' Creed

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

- * Benediction: Hebrews 13:20-21

- * Doxology: "He Is Lord" PH 633

Postlude

**Indicates congregation stands, as able*

Minister: Rev. Joel Vande Werken

Liturgists: Dan Vos, Dorothy Vandenberg

Piano/Organ: Brandie Vande Werken

Violin: Peggy Kuipers-Sawyer, Katie Vande Werken, Jacob Vande Werken

Prayer of the Day adapted from N.1.4.10 Worship Sourcebook

Prayer of Confession adapted from Worship Sourcebook N.2.2.1