
The Lord's Service: Morning Worship

Welcome and Announcements—Pastor James Grant

Preparation for Worship (Luke 24:1-35) Pianist-Audrey Caldwell

The Lord Calls Us Into His Presence

† *The Call to Worship* Matthew 28:1-8

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
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† *Hymn of Praise No. 161* “Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Minister: Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen Matthew 28:19

The Lord be with you! Ruth 2:4

And also with you!
Thanks be to God! 1 Corinthians 15:57
Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

† *Hymn of Praise* “Gloria Patri”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning; is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen. Amen.

† *Prayer of Adoration* Pastor James Grant

The Lord Cleanses Us in Christ

Corporate Confession of Sin Hebrews 4:14-16

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,

Let us hold fast our confession.

We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,

But one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.

Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace,

That we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

[Silent Prayer—Individual Confession, *bow or kneel*]

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

† *Declaration of Pardon* Colossians 3:1-4

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.

The Lord Consecrates Us by His Word

† *Hymn of Thanksgiving No. 159* “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

The Old Testament Reading: Psalm 16
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

The Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

The Gospel Reading: John 20:1-18
This is the Gospel of Jesus Christ **Praise be to you, O Christ!**

† *Prayer of Supplication* The Lord's Prayer

Our Father which art in Heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done, in earth, as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,

And the glory, forever, Amen.

† *Confession of Faith* Nicene Creed

† *Psalm of Consecration* Psalm 16 [Tune: Leominster]

Preserve me, O my God; I put my trust in You.
LORD, I confess, You are my Lord; No good have I but You.

The godly ones on earth, those holy in Your sight,
The noble and majestic ones fill me with great delight.

The lines that fell to me enclose a pleasant site.
The heritage that I received to me is a delight.
I bless the LORD Who guides with counsel that is right.
My heart within me He directs to teach me in the night.

I always keep the LORD Before me, Him to see.
Because He is at my right hand I never moved shall be.
Thus gladness fills my soul; my joy must be expressed
With my whole being, for my flesh securely finds its rest.

My soul You will not leave in death's dark pit to be.
Corruption You will not permit Your Holy One to see
The path of life You'll show; of joy You hold great store.
Before Your face, at Your right hand, are pleasures evermore.

The Proclamation of the Word Pastor James Grant

Sermon XVIII—The Gospel of Luke:
The Resurrection of our Lord

† *An Easter Litany*

O Christ, after your resurrection you appeared to your disciples; you breathed on them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit. You gave joy and exultation to the whole creation. Through your victory, we pray to you:

Hear us, Lord of glory!

O Christ, after your resurrection you sent out your disciples to baptize and teach the nations in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; you promised to be with them and us until the end of the world. Through your victory, we pray to you:

Hear us, Lord of glory!

O Christ, through your resurrection you lifted us up, and filled us with rejoicing. Through your salvation you enrich us with your gifts. Renew our lives and fill our hearts with joy. Through your victory, we pray to you:

Hear us, Lord of glory!

O Christ, you are glorified by angels and redeemed saints in heaven, and you are worshiped by your church on earth. On the glorious feast of your resurrection, we pray to you:

Hear us, Lord of glory!

Save us, O Christ our Lord, in your goodness, extend your mercy to your people who await the resurrection at the end of history, and have mercy on us.

Hear us, Lord of glory!

Heavenly Father, we rejoice that the grave could not hold your Son, and that he has conquered death, risen to rule over the powers of this earth. We praise you that he summons us into new life, to follow him with joy and gladness. By your Spirit, lift us from doubt and despair, and set our feet in Christ's holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life, and that all we are and do may show forth his love. Praise, glory, and thanksgiving to you, our God, now and forever more.

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Amen!

† *Hymn of Praise* “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.

We offer ourselves through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

† *Presentation of the Offering & Prayer*