

# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The beginning of the opening voluntary is a call to silent personal preparation for the worship of God.*

## GATHERING

### OPENING VOLUNTARY

Prelude and Fugue in D . . . . . Dieterich Buxtehude  
Jeffrey DeVault, *organ*

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Sue Welsh

*Leader:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Leader:* Hallelujah! Praise God in the holy temple.

*People:* **Sing praise in the firmament of heaven.**

*Leader:* Praise God who is mighty in deed.

*People:* **Give praise for God's excellent greatness.**

*Leader:* Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

*People:* **Hallelujah!**

\*HYMN -- Lift High the Cross . . . . . #371

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (together) . . . . . Lisa Day

**O God, your love is boundless and your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when our hearts are hidden, even when the doors of our souls are locked. You seek us out. We cannot hide, but we can confess that sin has had us in its grip. It has led us from your ways, and corrupted our best intentions, making us believe that you don't notice, that you aren't even present. Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and receive the fullness of what you have given us in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

### SILENT PRAYER

### ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

\*RESPONSE -- Thine is the Glory . . . . . Hymn #122, 1st stanza

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 grave clothes where the body lay.  
Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
Endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

## \*THE PEACE

## OUR LIFE TOGETHER

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING -- Revelation 1:4-8 (NT, p. 245)

PSALTER -- Psalm 150 . . . . . Chris Burgher, *cantor*



### A TIME WITH CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children ages 4 through 5th grade may leave for church school classes.

\*HYMN -- That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright . . . . . #121

GOSPEL READING -- John 20:19-31 (NT, p. 115)

*Pastor:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON -- Questions Persist . . . . . Richard Wohlschlaeger

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

### OFFERING

OFFERTORY -- Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring . . . . . J. S. Bach

Jesus, joy of man's desiring, Holy wisdom, love most bright. Drawn by thee, our souls aspiring, soar to uncreated light. Word of God, our flesh that fashioned, with the glow of faith impassioned. Striving still to truth unknown, life attaining near thy throne. Through the way where hope is guiding, hark, what peaceful music rings! Where the flock, in thee confiding, drink of joy from deathless springs. Theirs is beauty's fairest pleasure. Theirs is wisdom's holiest treasure. Thou dost ever lead thine own in love of joys unknown.

*\*All who are able, please stand.*

**\*DOXOLOGY** . . . . . Old Hundredth

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host,  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (together)** . . . . . *see insert*

**THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**Invitation**

**Prayer of Great Thanksgiving**

*Pastor:* The Lord be with you.

***People:* And also with you.**

*Pastor:* Lift up your hearts.

***People:* We lift them to the Lord.**

*Pastor:* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

***People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*Pastor:* "...who forever sing to the glory of your name."

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, God of power and maj - es - ty,  
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry, O God most high!

**Communion of the People**

**Prayer (together)**

We thank you, Holy and Living Lord, for this communion meal.  
Continue to breathe on us the peace of your abiding presence,  
that our eyes may be opened to your way and our hearts  
strengthened to follow where you lead. Amen.

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN -- Alleluia! Alleluia! Give Thanks** . . . . . #106

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

**CLOSING VOLUNTARY**

Allegro Maestoso . . . . . Felix Mendelssohn

*As you leave during the closing voluntary, please do so quietly in respect for those who wish to remain seated.*

***The Swarthmore Presbyterian Church***  
*Swarthmore, Pennsylvania*

**April 11, 2010**

**10:15 a.m.**

*The Second Sunday of Easter*



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