

## Morning Corporate Worship Services

### Example A: Morning Worship, April 11, 1999

The preaching text for that morning was 2 Timothy 2:8–13, in which Paul affirms that the resurrection is at the heart of the gospel he preaches: “Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, descended from David. This is my gospel . . .” (v. 8). Providentially, this passage from an ongoing series on the Pastoral Epistles fell on the Sunday following Easter, which provided us with a natural and exciting opportunity to continue the celebration of Easter while at the same time expounding the full text of the passage.

The tune chosen for the doxology was *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*, which with its “Alleluias” expresses resurrection joy. We use this tune from Easter to Pentecost. The haunting anthem “Christ Is Now Arisen” focused powerfully on the scriptural theme, as did the bell choir’s “Alleluia! The Strife Is O’er.” The progression of the three hymns “The Day of Resurrection,” “Good Christian Men Rejoice” (which might have seemed out of place had this passage been preached in another season), and “Jesus Lives and So Shall I,” all worked to build ringing unity. The final hymn became a resounding congregational response to the Word preached.

### Morning Worship, April 11, 1999

*[As you are seated, please move to the center of the pew,  
so others can join you in worship.]*

<b>Prelude</b>	<i>Morning</i>	Edvard Grieg
	<i>O Sons and Daughters Let Us Sing</i>	arr. F. Gramann
	And we with holy church unite	
	As evermore is just and right	
	In glory to the King of Light.	
	<i>Jubilation Ringers, Bryan Park, conductor</i>	

#### Choral Call to Worship

Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth.  
Serve the Lord with gladness;  
come before him with joyful songs. (Ps. 100:1–2)

**Welcome †** Pastor Marc Maillefer

**Silence**

**Invocation**

9:00—Pastor David White  
10:40—Pastor Niel Nielson

**Doxology \***

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Apostles' Creed \***

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ, His only son, our Lord, who was conceived  
by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin, Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell;  
the third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence He shall come 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.

**Hymn #168 \*†** *The Day of Resurrection*

**Congregational Prayer/Lord's Prayer**

(See inside back cover of hymnal) Pastor Kent Hughes

**Hymn #170 †** *Good Christian Men, Rejoice and Sing*

**Anthem** *Christ Is Now Arisen* Lee Scott  
Chancel Choir Greg Wheatley conducting

Now the song is begun, for the battle is done, and the victory won:  
Now the foe is scattered: Death's dark prison shattered:  
Sing of joy, joy, joy; sing of joy, joy, joy;  
And today raise the lay, Christ is now arisen!  
They that followed in pain shall now follow to reign,  
and the crown shall obtain;  
They were sore assaulted, they shall be exalted:  
Sing of life, life, life; sing of life, life, life;  
Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!  
For the foe nevermore can approach to that shore,  
when the conflict is o'er;  
There is joy supernal; there is peace eternal;  
Sing of joy, joy, joy; sing of joy, joy, joy;  
Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!

Then be brave, then be true, ye despised and ye few,  
for the crown is for you:  
Christ, who went before you, spreads His buckler o'er you.  
Sing of strength, strength, strength, sing of strength, strength, strength;  
Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!  
Lo, the vict'ry is won, and the foe is scattered, death's dark prison  
shattered!  
Hallelujah! Earth and skies bid it rise, Christ is now arisen!  
Hallelujah! Come today, raise the lay, Christ is now arisen!

**Tithes and Offerings \*\***

**Offertory †** *Alleluia! The Strife Is O'er* arr. F. Gramann  
Jubilation Ringers

Death's mightiest powers have done their worst  
And Jesus hath his foes dispersed  
Let shouts of praise and joy outburst. Alleluia!  
On the third morn he rose again Glorious in majesty to reign  
O let us swell the joyful strain. Alleluia!

**Scripture Reading \*** 2 Timothy 2:8-13 9:00—Mrs. Diane Jordan  
(P. 1178) 10:40—Mr. Bill Ladd

**Gloria Patri \*** GREATOREX  
Hymn #575

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.

**Sermon** *The Essential Memory* Pastor Kent Hughes

**Hymn #159 \*** *Jesus Lives and So Shall I*

**Benediction \*** Pastor Kent Hughes

*[Please be seated for a moment of reflection]*

**Postlude** *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing* H. Willan  
Ed Childs, organ

*[Reception for visitors in the Fireside Room  
immediately following each service.]*

\* Congregation standing

† Ushers will assist worshipers to seating

\*\* 10:40 a.m.; Children dismissed for Wonders of Worship: K, Room 001; Grades 1-2, Room 205