

Easter from Visual Prayers by Julie Quinn

# The Worship of God

Second Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2019

Music for Gathering

Marietta Mobley, piano

Christ Candle

Hannah Porter

Opening Sentences

Rev. Alan Sherouse

Opening Voluntary

Jack Os

Fanfare for Eastertide

## **tCall to Worship**

Terri Vancil

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!  
Exult, all creation around God's throne!  
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!  
Sound the trumpet of salvation!

**Rejoice, heavenly powers!**  
**Sing, choirs of angels!**  
**Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor,  
radiant in the brightness of your King!  
Christ has conquered! Glory fills you!

**Rejoice, heavenly powers!**  
**Sing, choirs of angels!**  
**Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

Rejoice, O mother church! Exult in glory!  
The risen Savior shines upon you!  
Let this place resound with joy,  
echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

**Rejoice, heavenly powers!**  
**Sing, choirs of angels!**  
**Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!**

—ancient Easter proclamation called *Exultet*

## **tHymn of Praise 250**

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Jesus Christ Is Risen Today  
Tony Sanders, music intern *trumpet*

## **tWords of Friendship**

Dr. Steve Sumerel

### **A Family Covenanting**

Rev. Sherouse, Christina McCord

John Blanton Hardy, son of Ben and Sara Beth Hardy

After the family covenanting, children, ages four through first grade may attend  
**Junior Church** and return to the sanctuary after the sermon.

### **Prayers of God's People**

Rev. Chris Cherry

### **Opening of God's Word**

Katie Parrish

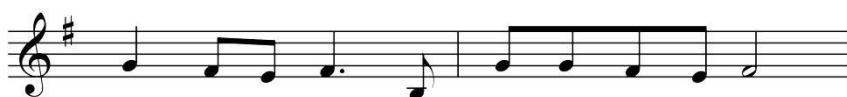
## Easter Carol



Now the green blade ris - es from the\_\_ bur-ied grain,  
In the grave they laid him, Love by\_\_ hat-red slain,  
Forth he came at Eas - ter, like the\_\_ ris-en grain,  
When our hearts are win - tery, griev-ing,\_\_ or in pain,



wheat that in the dark earth man-y\_\_ days has lain;  
think - ing that he would nev-er\_\_ wake a - gain,  
he\_\_ that for three days in the\_\_ grave had lain;  
your\_\_ touch can call us back to\_\_ life a - gain,



love lives a - gain that with the dead has been;  
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;  
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



Refrain: *Love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.*

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## Scripture Lesson

Dr. Sumerel

John 20:19-31

## Choral Music

Robert Sterling

Jesus Paid It All

Sanctuary Choir, Levone Tobin Scott, accompanist

## Sermon

Rev. Sherouse

Whispers of Resurrection I Believe

## Hymn 248

ACKLEY

He Lives

## Musical Interlude

Missions Moment

Robert Angell

Offertory Prayer

Cathy Isom, deacon

Musical Offering

Savior Medley  
Lollis and Joel Reynolds, vocal duet

†Benediction

Rev. Sherouse

Music for Dismissal

Toccata Brevis

Daniel Gawthrop



The sanctuary flowers are given to the glory of God  
and in honor of **Harold and Jane Messick**  
on the occasion of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary  
by Matt, Holly, Sam and Kate Messick.

**Guests** are warmly welcomed today. There are several ways during the worship hour that we can become better acquainted. During the **Words of Friendship**, we will share a personal greeting with those sitting around us. You will find a **Connection Card** in the bulletin that can be filled out and dropped in the offering plate as it is passed in the service. **Ministers** will also be greeting worshipers at each exit door after the service.