RIVER ROAD CHURCH, BAPTIST THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Third Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2020

Today we worship via the internet. As you gather around your phone, computer, or tablet, we encourage you to pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.

Quiet your mind, listen to the voluntary, and prepare to worship God.

Voluntary

Symphonic Chorale on "Ach bleib mit deine Gnade" Op.87 Abide by Us, Lord Jesus Christ, BWV 649 Sigfrid Karg-Elert J.S. Bach

Welcome, Invocation, and Our Lord's Prayer

Sandy Rooney

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread

ST. FLAVIAN

- Be known to us in breaking bread, But do not then depart; Savior, abide with us, and spread Thy table in our heart!
- 2. There sup with us in love divine; Thy body and Thy blood, That living bread, that heavenly wine, Be our immortal food.

Old Testament Lesson

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds. I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Offertory Sentences Sandy Rooney

*Doxology

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

Meditation

Our Eyes Were Opened

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

The Way to Emmaus Luke 24:13-32 (King James Version)

And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs. And they talked together of all these things which had happened. And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.

But their eyes were holden that they should not know him. And he said unto them, "What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?" And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, "Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?" And he said unto them, "What things?"

And they said unto him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people: And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive."

Then he said unto them, "O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?" And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further. But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him.

O Jesus Christ, our Lord and our Savior, abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. Abide with us, abide, abide.

Victoria Jackson, soprano Recorded April 8, 2018

Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

*Hymn

1. The day of resurrection!
Earth tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness,
The Passover of God.
From death to life eternal,
From this world to the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over
With hymns of victory.

The Day of Resurrection!

2. Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light; And, listening to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain, For Christ the Lord is risen, Our joy that hath no end.

LANCASHIRE 3. Now let the heavens be joyful,

3. Now let the heavens be joyful,
Let earth the song begin,
Let the round world keep triumph,
And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen
Their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen,
Our joy that hath no end.

*Benediction

Voluntary

My Heart is Filled with Gladness

Johannes Brahms

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