

Introit*Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded*

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Day of delight and beauty unbounded,
tell the news, the gospel spread!
Day of all wonder, day of all splendor,
praise Christ risen from the dead!
Sing of the sun from darkness appearing;
sing of the seed from barren earth greening;
Sing of creation, alleluia!
Sing of the stream from Jesus' side flowing;
sing of the saints in water made holy;
Sing of salvation, alleluia!

*Text: Delores Dunfer, OSB***Call to Worship**

Alleluia!

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Christ is Risen!

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In a world that is weary,

Jesus Christ is Risen!

In communities that are shuttered,

Jesus Christ is Risen!

In hearts that are hurting,

Jesus Christ is Risen!

Alleluia!

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Christ is Risen!

He is Risen indeed!

Hymn 232 (stanzas 1, 2 and 3)

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host,

suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing.
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Prayer of Confession

God of Life,

today you call us

to face the east of Easter

to bathe in the light of life,

to lean into our deepest longings.

But we confess our fear.

We are afraid to believe.

We are afraid to change.

We are afraid to trust your promises

that grace opens graves

that time heals viruses

that life always has the last word.

God of goodness,

resurrect us this day.

Fill us with hope.

And send us as hope for the world.

We pray in the name of our Living Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Passing of the Peace

We invite you to participate in an ancient tradition of the church. In grateful response to God's forgiveness and assurance for each of us, turn to those worshiping with you and share a sign of reconciliation and friendship with one another – a smile, an elbow bump or a bow:

The peace of Christ be with you

And also with you.

Response of Joy (Hymn 236)

The Strife Is O'er

The strife is o'er, the battle done;

The victory of life is won;

The song of triumph has begun.

Alleluia!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Jeremiah 31:1-6

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Time with the Children

Congregational Response (Hymn 157, stanza 5)

I Danced in the Morning

They cut me down, and I leapt up high.

I am the life that will never, never die.

I'll live in you if you'll live in me,

I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.
 Dance, then, wherever you may be;
 I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
 And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
 And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.

The Good News of the Gospel

Matthew 27:62 - 28:10

Sermon

Heavy Hope

Susan Andrews

Hymn 233

The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Offering

Offertory

The Trumpet Shall Sound (from Messiah)

G.F. Handel

Behold, I tell you a mystery:
we shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,
in a moment,
in the twinkling of an eye,
at the last trumpet.
The trumpet shall sound,
and the dead shall be raised incorruptible,
and we shall be changed.

Text: I Corinthians 15:51, 52

Festival Doxology (Hymn 609)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise God, in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Ministry Opportunities

Prayers of the People – Lord’s Prayer

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 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.

BEARING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

Hymn 238 (Stanzas 1 and 2)

Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering Son; end - less is
2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - quering
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

Sending Out the Light

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Toccatà (Symphonie 5)

Charles-Marie Widor

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Recently hospitalized: Gib Henderson. We offer our Christian love and sympathy to Jill (Mark) Stoneman and family on the death of her mother, Carolyn L. Arnold, on April 8.

The flowers in the Chancel are given in loving memory of James F. Mauzé and the Rev. Dr. & Mrs. J. Layton Mauzé, Jr. by the Mauzé family.

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Donations to the **Flower and Music Fund** provided palms for Palm Sunday, the beautiful Easter flowers delivered to our home bound members by our Deacons, the flowers decorating the Church and the special music provided on Easter Sunday. Donations have been received from:

Marj & Phil Alderson in memory and in honor of children and grandchildren;

Susan Andrews & Sim Gardner in memory of Mark & Elizabeth Andrews and William & Mary Gardner;

Roger & Marilyn Blackburn in honor of David Erwin;

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THE SEARCH CONTINUES! Despite the obstacles we are all experiencing during this anxious time, your Pastor Nominating Committee continues to meet every other week, though, now, we are doing so from our homes via conference calls.

We are receiving many PIFs, which are the candidates' applications. We are receiving lots of matches of common interest between candidates and our Ministry Information Form. We have also received several referrals from Ladue Chapel members. We are reviewing each very carefully. Please keep sending us your referrals as we believe this is where we will most likely find our next Pastor, Head of Staff.

As we have said in the past, this is the time when we cannot provide details about the search or the applicants, but please keep asking us questions; just understand that we may not be able to answer freely.

The PNC has been told that we are looking for the perfect pastor. We are not sure about that, but we do know that you have high standards and expectations. With God's help and guidance, and your prayers, we are committed to achieving those expectations so Ladue Chapel can continue the mission of God's work. The timeline we have communicated in the past has not changed. We hope to find the right person by fall, but will not settle for less, so it might take longer.

We want to assure you that we are keenly aware of the faith and confidence you placed in us. We want to assure that that all decisions are made solely by the PNC and that we continue to work hard and at full speed, representing you, to find the very best next Pastor, Head of Staff for Ladue Chapel. - *Your PNC: Ralph Thaman and Sarah Yancey (Co-Chairs), Linda Bryant, Mary Carr, Laila Crabtree, Lisa Eitzwiler, Rick Oleshak, Steve Peacock, John Spencer, Carol Wellman, Rick Wilhelm*

Ladue Chapel Vacation Bible School: Save the date: August 3–6, from 9:00 a.m.–12 noon. VBS is for children ages 4 years old through fifth grade. This year's theme for Vacation Bible School is *God's Great Big Beautiful World*. Registration and payment (\$40 per child) are available through the church website.

Play Day Out is now accepting enrollment for our 2020 Summer Camp: Our camp offers a wide variety of summer activities to enjoy, including art projects, water play, and treasure hunts for children 2-5 years old. The fun begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends after lunch at 1:00 p.m. Monday–Thursday **July 6-23**. Camp registration is available on the church website.

Ladue Chapel Nursery School: We are gearing up for the 2020-2021 school year at Ladue Chapel Nursery School. Please see the website (<https://laduechapelnurseryschool.com/>) for more information.

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