

We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord!

**He has been Lord from the beginning.**

**He will be Lord at the end. Even now, he is Lord.**

**\*Hymn 722**

“Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak”

**\*The Charge**

Mark 12:28-31

Which commandment is the first of all?

**You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart,  
and with all your soul, and with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.**

And the second is this:

**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**

**There is no other commandment greater than these.**

**\*Sung Benediction 500**

“Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread”

**Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;  
Savior, abide with us, and set your table in our heart.**

**\*Blessing**

*\*The congregation is invited to stand.*

**A hearing loop is active; set hearing aid to “T-coil.”**

Scripture passages are read from the New Revised Standard Version. The Morning Meditation is from John B. Rogers, Jr., “The Risen Lord,” in Rogers, *With All Our Prayers* (Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans, 2015), 43. The Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are reprinted by permission of Westminster John Knox press from *Feasting on the Word Worship Companion* © 2014.



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### SERVICE FOR THE LORD’S DAY

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 15, 2018, 9:00 A.M.

**Morning Meditation**

John B. Rogers, Jr.

*“Eternal God, as the heavens are high above the earth,  
so are your thoughts higher than our thoughts. And yet you have reached across the gulf  
between eternity and time, between the infinity of your vast domain  
and the particular places where we live and move and have our being  
within the boundaries of birth and death.”*

**Chimes of the Trinity**

**Ritual of Fellowship**

**Voluntary**

“Pastorale on *The Day Thou Gavest, Lord, Is Ended*”

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Charles Callahan

**\*Call to Worship**

from Psalm 4:1-4

Answer me when I call, O God of my right!

**Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.**

Know that those who love the LORD

have been set apart by God’s will;

the LORD hears them when they call.

**We will offer right sacrifices,**

**and put our trust in the LORD.**

**\*Hymn 401**

“Here in This Place”

**Call to Confession**

**Prayer of Confession**

Good and gracious God,  
we are creatures of dust, ignorant of your revelation,  
misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us,  
needing forgiveness.

We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us.

We beg your mercy for our fallen world.

We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus.

Be our solace in this life and always.

We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete.

Forgive us and lead us, we pray. Amen.

**Silent Prayers of Confession**

**Kyrie Eleison 437**

“You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy”

You are the Lord, giver of mercy.

You are the Christ, giver of mercy.

You are the Lord, giver of mercy.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Response 587**

“Alleluia”

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Reading from the Psalter**

Psalm 4

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

**\*Hymn 547 (verses 1 and 3)**

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

**First Reading from the Gospel**

Luke 24:13-15, 28-32

**Hymn 501**

“Feed Us, Lord”

**Second Reading from the Gospel**

Luke 24:33-48

**Sermon** “Fear, Joy, Disbelief, Wonder, and a Piece of Broiled Fish” Keith Grogg

**Prayers of the People and The 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.

**Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts**

**Offertory**

“Sheep May Safely Graze”

J. S. Bach

setting by John Carter

**\*Doxology 607**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Christ, all people here below; Praise Holy Spirit evermore;

Praise Triune God, whom we adore! Amen.

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (responsive)

from *A Declaration of Faith*

Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised him from the dead.

**The risen Lord appeared to his followers.**

**They recognized him as their Master who had been crucified.**

Before Jesus left them, he commissioned them to proclaim to all people  
the good news of his victory over death, and promised to be with them always.

**We are certain that Jesus lives. He lives as God with us,**

**touching all of human life with the presence of God.**