

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021

GATHERING

Announcements and Greeting

Prelude: “My Lord, What a Morning”

Robert Lau

Invocation

Hymn: #238 “Thine Is the Glory”

1. Thine is the glory,
risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory
thou o’er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment
rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes
where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory,
risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory
thou o’er death hast won.

2. Lo! Jesus meets us,
risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us,
scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness
hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth;
death hath lost its sting. (*Refrain*)

3. No more we doubt thee,
glorious Price of life!
Life is naught without thee;
aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors
through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan
to thy home above. (*Refrain*)

Prayer of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

***Response:** In the Lord I’ll be ever thankful; In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God: do not be afraid. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. (#654)

PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Anthem: “ I Trust in You” Mary McDonald

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer

Hymn: #794 “O Savior in This Quiet Place” (vs. 1,2,5,6)

Scripture Reading: Luke 24: 36b-48

36 While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them “Peace be with you.” 37They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. 38He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? 39Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me, and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” 40And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. 41While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them “Have you anything here to eat?” 42They gave him a piece of broiled fish, 43and he took it and ate in their presence.

44 Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you – that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” 45 Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, 46 and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses to these things.”

Sermon: **Joy and Doubt**

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

*Affirmation of Faith – Apostles Creed

The Peace of Christ

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Hymn: #257 “The Risen Christ” (to the tune of #836) (see download)

Benediction

Silent Prayer

Postlude: “Christ Arose” arr. Lani Smith

The End of Worship

The Beginning of Service

Rev. Robert W. Birch, Minister

Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

PRAYERS OF THE CONGREGATION:

PRAYER FAMILY THIS WEEK: **Harold & Dianne Yuninger**

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Leacock Presbyterian Church

First met in Leacock Township in 1724, recognized by the Synod in 1740, moved to Paradise in 1840.



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