

“Why are you frightened,
and why do doubts
arise in your hearts?
Look at my hands and my feet;
see that it is I myself.”

~ Luke 24:38-39



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Valley Community Presbyterian Church
8060 SW Brentwood, Portland, Oregon 97225

April 19, 2009 at 10:00 AM
Second Sunday of Eastertide

❖ *Please stand if you choose*
Bold Text is spoken by everyone

GATHER IN G_D'S NAME

PRELUDE *Victory* C.S. Lang

ACOLYTES Kate Pippenger and Rachel Pippenger

WELCOME AND COMMON CONCERNS

OUR PURPOSE IN ACTION *Vacation Bible School,
Katie Simenson and Kay Hope Gold*

INTROIT *Old Time Hallelujah Religion
Royal Ringers*

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP Liturgist, Linda Sanderman

One: *Christ our Savior is risen from the dead! Alleluia!*

All: **Break forth into joy! Sing together! G_d comforts those
whose hearts are broken in sorrow.**

One: *We who once suffered in death, we who once cried in despair---*

All: **Now we know victory over death!
Now we know joy over despair!**

All: **For G_d has raised Christ from the grave!
The tomb is empty and death has been defeated for all the
earth!**

HYMN OF PRAISE *Lord of All Hopefulness* No. 2197

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

G_d of all worlds and all time, we gather voicing thanks for this season of resurrection. May our worship be as an Easter tide.

Wash over us and seep into us to refresh and to cleanse. Dissolve the prejudices that cling to us like barnacles, the jealousies that lodge in crevices of memory. Move toward us with power and might when we are rock-rigid in our views and when we are unforgiving as granite. Let us hear the thunderous sound of good news as it breaks upon our hardness of heart. And bid us, G_d, to dare to journey upon the sea of the Spirit. May the waves of an Easter tide buoy us up and beckon us to the adventure of resurrection living. Amen.

SILENT, PERSONAL PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

❖ RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

No. 579

❖ THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you!

A TIME WITH THE YOUNG CHURCH

PROCLAIM G_D'S WORD

ANTHEM

For the Beauty of the Earth

Rutter

Sanctuary Choir; Youth Choir; King's Kids
Mark Kemball, piano

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 3:12-19 and Luke 24:36-49

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Disbelieved for Joy

Pastor Minshew

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Frank Powers, Deacon

THE LORD'S PRAYER (p.16)

RESPOND TO THE WORD

OFFERING (Please sign and pass the friendship folder)

Call for the Offering

Offertory *Blessed Jesu, at Thy Word*

J.S. Bach

❖ **Doxology for Eastertide**

(sung to the tune "Praise G_d From Whom All Blessings Flow")

**O Jesus, risen now to bless,
Do thou thyself our hearts possess,
That we may give you all our days
The willing tribute of our praise! Amen.**

❖ **Prayer of Dedication**

O G_d, we thank you that Christ has entrusted us with the task of feeding your people. Make us faithful and courageous in our ministry of love and may we use these gifts to your glory. Amen.

GO IN G_D'S NAME

❖ **HYMN**

My Song Is Love Unknown

No. 76

❖ **BENEDICTION**

❖ **CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Christ Is Alive! (verses 1 and 5 only – please join in singing with the choir)

No. 108

The time after the benediction is a time for hospitality. Please take this opportunity to make new friends and invite them to join you upstairs at coffee hour.