



Alleluia!

HE IS ALIVE!



Service for the Lord's Day EASTER SUNDAY

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

March 21, 2010 at 10:00 AM

❖ *Please stand as you are able*
Bold Text is spoken by everyone

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

BRASS & ORGAN PRELUDE

Deo Gratias

Proulx

Murray Zenk, David Nadbornik – trumpet;
Howard Spindel, Duncan Levear – trombone; Darlene Cusick - organ

TOLLING OF THE BELL

LOWERING OF THE SHROUD

ACOLYTE PROCESSIONAL

Lauren Schinkelwitz and Rory Schinkelwitz

❖ **CONGREGATIONAL HYMN**

Christ Is Alive!

No. 108

❖ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

David Jimerson, Liturgist

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Leap and spin, you powers of heaven. Burst into explosive songs of joy, all you companies of angels.

Let the throne of God be surrounded with the praises of all that has life.

The earth glories in her Maker. Now mountain and valley glow in splendor; the sea on the shore whispers the praises of Jesus. Rivers stream through thirsty soil, bringing news of gladness – the Redeemer is risen.

His glory fills the earth. The trees thunder their praises, and loudly clap their hands.

Sound a trumpet through all the earth. Our Morning Star is alive!

Risen in splendor, He is among us; the darkness is driven back. We, His people, join in the dance of all creation.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of love, like the first witnesses of the resurrection, we too come to the empty tomb with a variety of responses. We hear the good news that Jesus has risen, but so often the evidence for this is difficult to detect in our lives.

Forgive us when we fail to make the risen Christ evident through our words, our actions and our lives.

For so many people, the only good news of this weekend is that it usually provides the opportunity for a holiday and family gatherings.

Forgive us if we feel that this time of worship is an interruption to our planned holiday activities.

(Note: **After** the offertory, please rise as the ushers pass your pew to present the offering for dedication.)

❖ Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 592

❖ Prayer of Dedication

Bless these offerings, O God, which we return to you, that in our seeking and our serving, our ministry might illumine paths and uplift the heads of those who seek you. Guide us in your wisdom and love that we may use these gifts to manifest your presence in the world in all that we do. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Supper

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Receive Elements as Invited

Communion Music

Prayer

GO IN GOD'S NAME

❖ **HYMN** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today* No. 123

❖ **BENEDICTION**

❖ **CONGREGATION BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

Hallelujah Chorus, from Messiah (music in your pew)

(The congregation is invited to come up and stand with the choir to sing the response.)

TRUMPET & PIANO POSTLUDE *Aria with Variations* Handel

Murray Zenk, trumpet; Darlene Cusick, piano

You are invited to remain seated and conclude worship with the postlude.