

**Morrisville Presbyterian Church**

**Morrisville, PA**

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

**April 11, 2010**

**10:30 a.m.**

**GATHERING**

**PRELUDE**      *String Quartet in D Major: Andante Cantabile*      Tchaikovsky/arr. Williams  
Maddy Stoner, Acolyte

**WORDS OF WELCOME**      Pastor Hancock

**INTROIT**      *The Strife Is O'er*      Palestrina/arr. Monk

**CALL TO WORSHIP**      Elder Paul Clough

One: God welcomes us here and walks beside us on our journey.  
All: **Give God praise and thanks.**

One: Call upon the name of God and praise God in our midst.  
All: **We are precious in God's sight.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

One: O God, your Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread. Open the eyes of our faith, that we may see him in his redeeming work; who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
All: **Amen.**

\***HYMN 121** – *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright*

PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

\***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** – *Unison*

**Almighty and Eternal God, forgive us our indifference to the good news of your love. We close our eyes to the hurts of the world and yet you call us to recognize you in the life of each other. Each day we have opportunity to give witness to your great love, and yet we make excuses that we don't have time. We are side-tracked from doing your will by distractions of our everyday world. Forgive us our nearsightedness, our apathy and our lack of courage to do your will. Make us bold to be your Easter people, proclaiming your love to all the world. Amen.**

\*Congregation Standing (Those Who Are Able)    \*\*\*Ushers Will Seat Worshipers

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE** *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord* George Whelpton

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

**\*RESPONSE TO GOD’S PARDON – HYMN 567 – *Glory to the Father*** GLORIA PATRI

**\*THE PEACE**

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

One: Let us greet one another with the peace of Christ.

*As a sign of their reconciliation in Christ, the people share the peace of Christ, greeting one another with these or similar words:*

*“The peace of Christ be with you,” “Peace be with you,” or simply, “Peace.”*

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**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**EPISTLE READING – 1 Peter 1:17-23** (New Testament, pages 218-219)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM OF THE DAY – Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19** (Old Testament, pages 533-534)

**GOSPEL READING – Luke 24:13-35** (New Testament, page 84-85)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Walkin’ On the Road to Emmaus* Mike Blanchard  
Marilyn Shenenberger and Peter de Mets

**TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

*K-2 children may leave for Cherub Choir rehearsal in the music room during the sermon.*

*All other children return to the pews to continue worshipping with their families.*

**SERMON** *A Walk to Remember* Pastor Hancock

**\*HYMN 108 – *Christ Is Alive!*** TRURO

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – *Confession of 1967***

**The risen Christ is the Savior for all. Those joined to him by faith are set right with God and commissioned to serve as his reconciling community. Christ is head of this community, the church, which began with the apostles and continues through all generations. The same Jesus Christ is the judge of all. His judgment discloses the ultimate seriousness of life and gives promise of God’s final victory over the power of sin and death. To receive life from the risen Lord is to have life eternal; to refuse life from him is to choose the death which is separation from God. All who put their trust in Christ face divine judgment without fear, for the judge is their redeemer.**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION AND THANKSGIVING**

**THE LORD’S PRAYER** (debts/debtors, *Presbyterian Hymnal*, page 16)

**OFFERING**

**Invitation**

**Offertory**

*Jesus, With Us Abide*

James Southbridge

**\*Doxology**

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 430 – *Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!***

DARWALL’S 148TH

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*Threefold Amen*

Danish Tune

**\*POSTLUDE**

*The Gate of Jerusalem*

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