

Order of Worship for April 24, 2022  
Second Sunday of Easter

*Gathering Music:*

*I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me*

*GTG #700*

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

*Lord Prepare Me*

*GTG #701*

**Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true  
With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you**

**Welcome**

*Rev. Barbara Macfie*

**Call To Worship** (Psalm 150)

*Liturgist*

(L) Praise the Lord! Praise God in the sanctuary.

**(C) Praise God in the vault of heaven. Praise God in the earth and  
skies.**

(L) Sing praises to the Lord. Shout and sing praises to God.

**(C) We have witnessed God's mighty acts. We have seen the Lord's  
greatness.**

(L) Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.

**(C) Praise the Lord!**

*Hymn : Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

Refrain:

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give Praise to His name. (repeat)

1: Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of Creation.

2: Spread the good news o'er all the earth, Jesus has died and has risen.

3: We have been crucified with Christ. Now we shall live forever.

4: Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

## PREPARING FOR THE WORD

### **Call to Confession**

*Liturgist*

Remember that our Lord Jesus can sympathize with us in our weaknesses, since in every respect he was tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with boldness approach the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. (Hebrews 4:14-16) Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

### **Prayer of Confession**

**Lord, we confess our preoccupation with Proof. Too often we muffle faith and hand the microphone to Proof. We'll move if Proof says so.**

**We'll act if Proof gives the okay. After your resurrection, we may have asked to touch you a second time -- just to make sure. We confess our frequent failure to trust you. Hear us and help our unbelief, we pray.**

### **Words of Forgiveness**

The Lord did not abandon Thomas to his unbelief, nor will the Lord abandon us to ours. God hears our cries for help and answers. God knows how we struggle to believe what we can't see or touch. Know that our Invisible God makes forgiveness visible to our hearts and souls. See God at work in your life from this day forward. Now trust your spiritual sight more each day. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

### *Gloria Patri*

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

## HEARING THE WORD

### **Prayer of Illumination**

*Liturgist*

Gracious God, as we turn to your Word for us, may the Spirit of God rest upon us. Help us to be steadfast in our hearing, in our speaking, in our believing, and in our living. Amen.

**Old Testament Reading:** *Psalm 150*

*Liturgist*

1. Praise the Lord.[a] Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens.

Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals.

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.

**New Testament Reading:** *John 20: 19-31*

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19 On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." Now Thomas (also known as Didymus[a]), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!" But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas,



**We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer**

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**Invitation To The Offertory**

*Liturgist*

Let us gather our gifts together and offer them to God in gratitude and praise.

**Offertory**

*Doxology*

Praise we the Father, Spirit, Son: Praise we the victory God has won:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise we the Lamb who reigns above: Praise we the King whose rule is love:

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Offertory Prayer**

*Liturgist*

Lord, we thank for Your faithfulness. Thank you that we can always trust in You. You are an abundant God and out of Your great mercy you have given us so much. We give you this offering today. With it we worship You and give our whole selves to You. Please now take it and use it for Your kingdom and Your glory. Extend and multiply its reach and influence, we pray. May it be a blessing too many. We ask all this in the powerful name of Jesus. Amen.

*Hymn: Thine is the Glory*

GTG #238

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 Prince 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]

**Benediction**  
**Postlude**

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