

Sunday, April 27th
Second Sunday of Easter

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

“Choral Chalice Lighting” by Charlie Schott

Permission to use.

Call to Worship (Psalm 150)

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in the sanctuary.

Praise God in the vault of heaven.

Praise God in the earth and skies.

Sing praises to the Lord.

Shout and sing praises to God.

We have witnessed God's mighty acts.

We have seen the Lord's greatness.

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord.

**Let everything that draws breath
praise the Lord!**

***Hymn**

“Morning Has Broken”

Pilgrim Hymnal #38

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Prayer for Illumination

O Risen Christ, be with us this day. We recognize your wounded hands; they tell us that you know what it is to struggle and suffer, and to prevail in the power of love. We grasp those hands, that they may lead us together into a deeper place of peace. Our week has left worries, answerless questions, blatant injustices, and unexpected disappointments. We are weary. **Come, O Risen Christ and receive our burdens as we empty our cares into your loving hands. Extend to us your joy. Give us imagination enough to pursue your abundant life! Pour into us the freshness of your new life; for you are our strength and our might. How wonderful you are for your loving-kindness toward us. Amen! Alleluia!**

Anthem

“Ave Verum Corpus” by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Scripture

John 20:19-31

Jane Bernstein

A Time for All God's Children

***Hymn**

“Not with Naked Eye”

New Century Hymnal #406

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Sermon

“Resurrection Witness”

Rev. Abby Gackenhaimer

Music of Reflection

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer Response

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“Hear Our Prayer”

by H.M. Teasdale

Call to Offering

Offertory

**Doxology Pilgrim Hymnal #515 *[alternative words]*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise Him [God], all creatures here below

Praise Him [God] above, ye heavenly host

Praise Father [Creator], Son [Christ], and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Unison Prayer of Dedication

God, we offer you these gifts, and pray that you would take this offering and turn it into ministry. Use these gifts to transform the world we live in to better reflect the home you have envisioned for us—a home of peace, a home built on the foundation of love.

Gratefully we pray, amen.

*Hymn

“Now the Green Blade Rises”

The New Century Hymnal #238

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Benediction

Benediction Response *“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”* by Ludwig van Beethoven

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Postlude

Worship Liturgy: Bill Hoppe <https://www.ministrymatters.com/all/entry/3714/worship-elements-april-24-2022>

Prayer: The Loving Hands of God: Service Prayers for the Second Sunday of Easter was written by the Rev. Vivian M. Lucas, Director, Franklinton Center at Bricks: United Church of Christ, Justice and Witness Ministries

Morning Has Broken

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Eleanor Farjeon, 1881-

BUNESSAN 5.5.5.4.D.

Gaelic Melody

Harm. by David Evans, 1874-1948

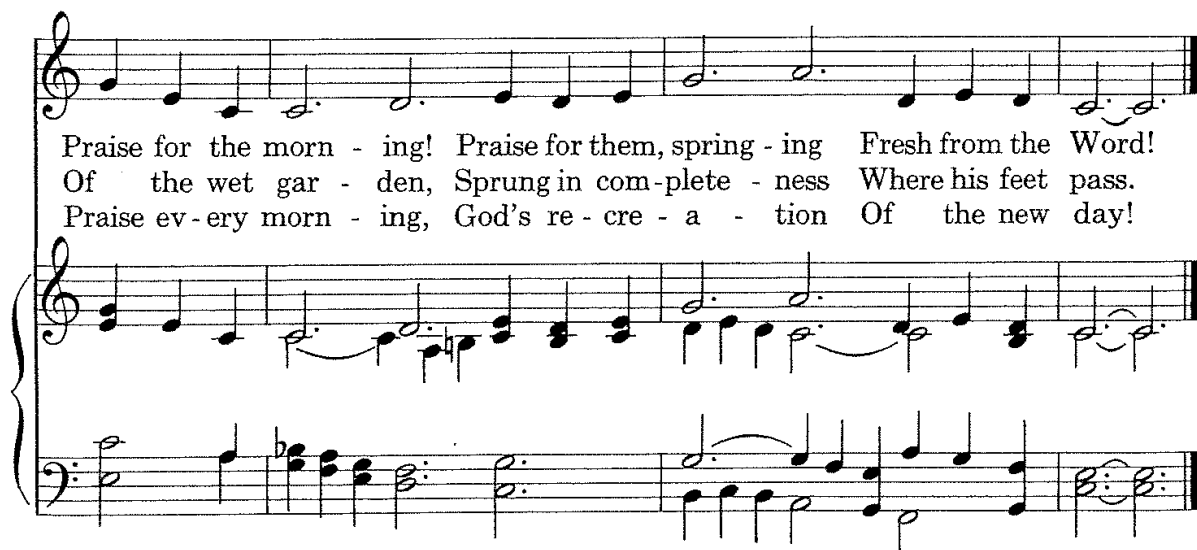
In unison



1 Morn-ing has bro - ken Like the first morn - ing, Black-bird has
2 Sweet the rain's new fall Sun - lit from heav - en, Like the first
3 Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing Born of the



spo - ken Like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing!
dew - fall On the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness
one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion,



Praise for the morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing Fresh from the Word!
Of the wet gar - den, Sprung in com-plete - ness Where his feet pass.
Praise ev-ery morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion Of the new day!

Not with Naked Eye, Not with Human Sense 406

Dan Damon, 1989

John 1:18; 20:26-29

Unison G Em G

1 Not with na - ked eye, not with hu - man sense:
 2 Not a gold - en king, not a might - y queen:
 3 Chil - dren learn of God sit - ting in the grass,
 4 Thom - as saw the Christ break - ing earth's rou - tine;
 5 Not with craft - ed scope, not with crys - tal lens:

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Through the eye of faith ob - serve om - ni - po - tence.
 God's in earth and heaven and all that lies be - tween.
 Touch - ing, tast - ing, smil - ing, hear - ing Je - sus pass.
 Blessed are those who trust the Ho - ly One un - seen.
 Vi - sion of the Christ be - gins where see - ing ends.

Dan Damon commented about this hymn: "People who do not see with their physical eyes learn to rely on other senses. Sometimes faith is one of them." The tune is named for Valerie Stiteler, a United Church of Christ minister.

Tune: STITELER 5.5.5.6.
 Dan Damon, 1989

Now the Green Blade Rises

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*John M. C. Crum, 1928; alt.**Matt. 27:57-28:7; Luke 23:50-24:12*

1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain;
 2 In the grave they laid their Love whom hate had slain,
 3 Christ came forth at Eas - ter, like the ris - en grain,
 4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,

Wheat that in dark earth for man - y days has lain;
 Think - ing that their Love would nev - er wake a - gain,
 Je - sus, who for three days in the grave had lain,
 Christ's warm touch can call us back to life a - gain,

Love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been:
 Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen:
 Quick from the dead the ris - en One is seen:
 Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:

Refrain
 Love is come a - gain like wheat that ris - es green.

John M. C. Crum, an English priest who was canon of Canterbury for fifteen years, wrote these words for this ancient French Christmas carol tune when it was included in the Oxford Book of Carols (1928).

Tune: NOËL NOUVELET 11.10.10.11.
French noel, 15th century
Harm. Martin F. Shaw, 1928