



SERVICE FOR THE  
LORD'S DAY  
JUNE 14, 2020  
11:00AM

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

WELCOME AND INVITATION

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

OPENING VOLUNTARY

*Prelude and Fugue in A Major*

William Selby

*During the Opening Voluntary, we invite you into a period of quiet reflection.*

*Bless me, O God,  
with a reverent sense of your presence,  
that I may be at peace  
and may worship you with all my mind and spirit,  
through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.*

INTROIT

*Creator of the Stars of Night*

Conditor Alme Siderum

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: Jesus comes, proclaiming good news.

All: **The Kingdom of God has come near!**

**Repent and believe in the good news!**

One: Jesus comes, inviting us to follow.

All: **Jesus said, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people."**

One: We hear the good news. We hear God's call.

All: **The Kingdom of God has come near, and we have work to do!**

One: Let us worship God!

*Refrain:*

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
 till all the world adore his sacred name.*

*Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,  
 the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God. (Refrain)*

*All newborn servants of the Crucified  
 bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died. (Refrain)*

*O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
 your death has brought us life eternally. (Refrain)*

*So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
 praise to the Crucified for victory. (Refrain)*

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Have mercy on us, O God,  
 according to your steadfast love;  
 according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.  
 Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity, and cleanse us from our sin!  
 For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.  
 Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight,  
 so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.  
 Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities.  
 Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.  
 Cast us not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from us.  
 Restore to us the joy of your salvation, and uphold us with a willing spirit.  
 For you will not delight in sacrifice, or we would give it;  
 you will not be pleased with a burnt offering.  
 Our sacrifice, O God, is a broken spirit;  
 a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.  
 In Christ's name we pray...

(Psalm 51)

## SILENT CONFESSION

# ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
 All: **Thanks be to God!**

# RESPONSE

HYMN 581

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.*

# PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.  
 All: **And also with you.**

# PROCLAIMING THE WORD

THE WORD FOR CHILDREN

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

*The Glory of the Father*

Egil Hovland

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:1

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

*The Beginning*

Dr. Thomas E. Evans

## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

THE APOSTLES' CREED (Unison)

I believe in God the Father Almighty; Maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord;

who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;

He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;

the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;

the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (Responsive)

One: Gracious God,

All: **hear our prayer.**

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP: 21 DAY RACIAL EQUITY CHALLENGE

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*I Waited for the Lord*

Felix Mendelssohn

DOXOLOGY

HYMN 606

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

*praise God, all creatures here below;*

*praise God above, ye heavenly host;*

*praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

### THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

## BEARING THE WORD TO THE WORLD

### HYMN 269

*Lead On, O King Eternal!*  
(words below; hymn printed at end of bulletin)

LANCASHIRE

*Lead on, O King eternal!  
The day of march has come;  
henceforth in fields of conquest  
your tents shall be our home.  
Through days of preparation  
your grace has made us strong,  
and now, O King eternal,  
we lift our battle song.*

*Lead on, O King eternal,  
till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
and holiness shall whisper  
the sweet amen of peace;  
for not with swords' loud clashing,  
nor roll of stirring drums;  
with deeds of love and mercy  
the heavenly kingdom comes.*

*Lead on, O King eternal:  
we follow, not with fears,  
for gladness breaks like morning  
where'er your face appears;  
your cross is lifted o'er us;  
we journey in its light.  
The crown awaits the conquest;  
lead on, O God of might!*

## CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### CLOSING VOLUNTARY

*Lift High the Cross*

Donald Busarow

## PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S WORSHIP SERVICE

Dr. Thomas E. Evans  
Rev. Joanne R. Hull  
Rev. Leslie A. Lang  
Mrs. Holly M. Bannan

Holt Andrews, Director  
Marcia Andrews, Organist

### Additional Musicians

Katie Jo O'Neal  
Valerie MacPhail  
Lisa Cunningham  
Reel Robertson  
Paul MacPhail

### *Today's Memorial:*

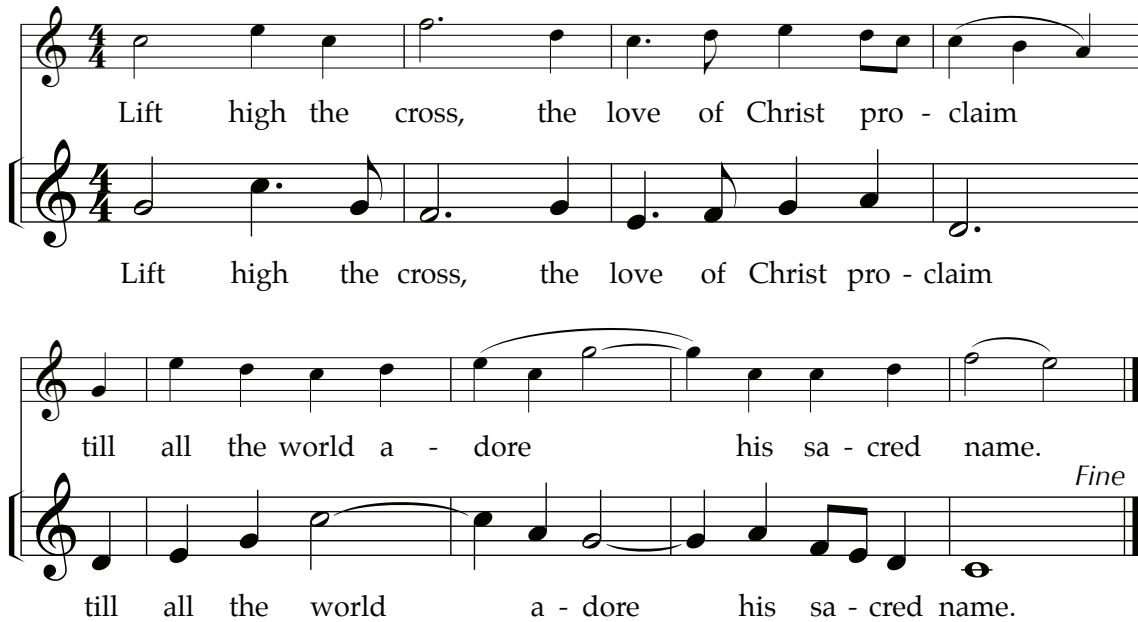
*In loving memory of  
Janet and Frank Weir, Jr.  
by Janet and Jim Shaw.*

# Lift High the Cross

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*Refrain*

*Descant*

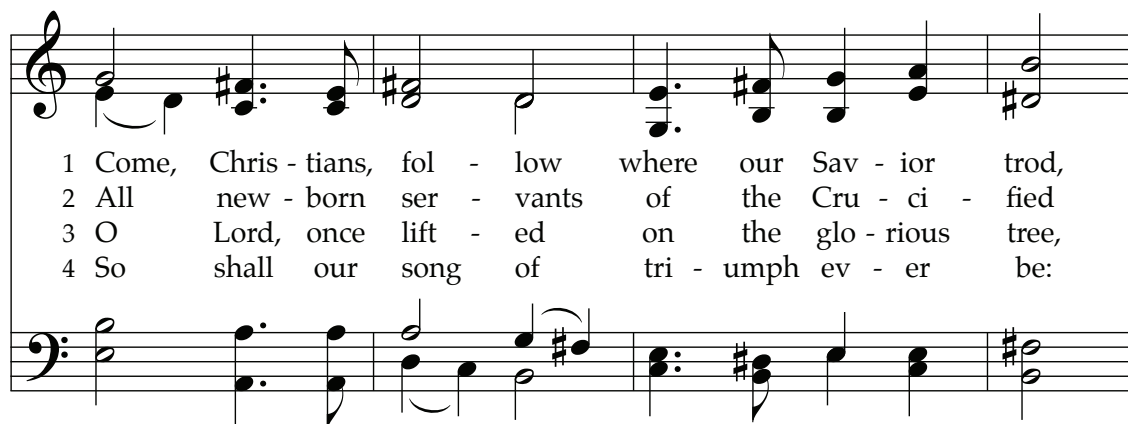


Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

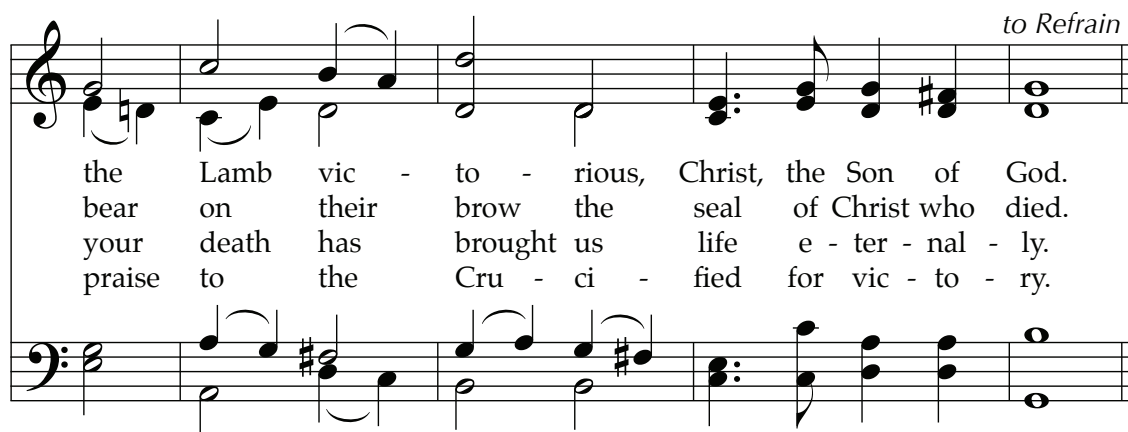
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till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name. *Fine*

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,  
 2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
 3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:



*to Refrain*

the Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
 bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.  
 your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

This majestic hymn celebrates the paradox that for Christians a means of painful death has been transformed into a symbol of renewed life; a sign of defeat has become an emblem of victory. With the cross traced on our foreheads at Baptism we are marked as Christ's own forever.

TEXT: George William Kitchin, 1887; rev. Michael Robert Newbolt, 1916, alt.

MUSIC: Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 1916; desc. Richard Proulx, 1985

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CRUCIFER

10.10 with refrain

# 269 Lead On, O King Eternal!

1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;  
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents shall be our home.  
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;  
 for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher-e'er your face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong,  
 for not with swords' loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums;  
 your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light.

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.  
 with deeds of love and mer - cy the heaven-ly king-dom comes.  
 The crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Not everything that looks like a battle ends up being one. This text, written for a seminary graduation, works well with its martial tune in the first stanza; but later stanzas turn from such imagery and focus on "deeds of love and mercy" and courage for life's journey.

TEXT: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888, alt.  
 MUSIC: Henry Thomas Smart, c. 1835

LANCASHIRE  
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 (this tune in a higher key, 233)