Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

Saint Philip Presbyterian Church • Houston

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Vol	untary

Præludium in D major BuxWV 139 Dieterich Buxtehude (1637-1707)

Greeting

Introit

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

SHOUT ON from *The Sacred Harp*, 1859 arranged by Austin C. Lovelace (1919–2010)

I know that my Redeemer lives — glory, hallelujah! What comfort this sweet sentence gives — glory, hallelujah! He lives to bless me with his love — glory, hallelujah! He lives to plead my cause above — glory, hallelujah!

He lives to crush the fiends of hell — glory, hallelujah! He lives and doth within me dwell — glory, hallelujah! He lives, all glory to his name — glory, hallelujah! He lives, my Jesus, still the same — glory, hallelujah!

I know that my Redeemer lives — glory, hallelujah! What comfort this sweet sentence gives — glory, hallelujah! Shout on, pray on, we're gaining ground — glory, hallelujah! The dead's alive and the lost is found — glory, hallelujah!

- words by Samuel Medley (1738-1799)

Opening Sentences



Hymn 5

JENNINGS-HOUSTON



Despite the great sweep of these stanzas, each one ends by describing how our human condition needs God's help: formless, aimless, hungry, searching. Each of these adjectives is followed by a related three-syllable petition: shape us now, lead us now, feed us now, meet us now.

JENNINGS-HOUSTON 8.7.8.7.8.7

TEXT: John Thornburg, 1993, alt. MUSIC: Amanda Husberg, 1995

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Prayer of Confession

Declaration of Forgiveness



MUSIC: Fintan O'Carroll, 1981 ©

The Peace

Conversation with Children

Reading

Hymn 655

What Shall I Render to the Lord | Psalm 116

MARTYRDOM

Acts 2:14a, 36-41



TEXT: *The New Metrical Version of the Psalms*, 1909, alt. MUSIC: Hugh Wilson, c. 1800; adapt. and harm. Robert Smith, 1825

Sermon

John Wurster



TEXT: John M. C. Crum, 1928, alt. MUSIC: French carol, 15th cent.; harm. Martin Shaw, 1928 Text and Music Harm. © 1928 Oxford University Press

NOËL NOUVELET 11.10.10.11

Affirmation of Faith

Prayers of the People

Offertory

Offertory Anthem

Easter Alleluya

Alleluya! Deo Patri gloria! [Alleluia! Glory to God!]

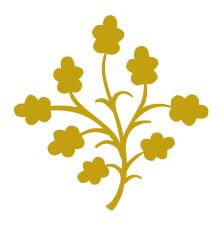
At this joyful Eastertide sing alleluia far and wide, Christ is risen, cast care aside.

He has rolled the stone away, he is the dawn of glorious day, therefore let us sing alway.

Let us then be risen with Christ, for he is the light of the world.

Alleluya! Alleluya! Alleluya!

Prayer of Thanksgiving



Andrew Carter (b. 1939)

Hymn 236

The Strife Is O'er

Refrain (before stanza 1 and after stanza 4)

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ia, al-le-lu ia, al-le-lu ia! -bat tle done; the the vic - to death have done their worst, but Christ their quick - ly sped; Christ ris - es are wound - ed the stripes which thee, from death's dread 2



MUSIC: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1591; adapt. William Henry Monk, 1861

8.8.8 with alleluias

Charge and Blessing

Voluntary

My Heart Exults with Gladness HERZLICH TUT MICH ERFREUEN | Op. 122/4 Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

VICTORY

Serving Today

PASTORS John Wurster | Keatan King

LITURGIST Al Waldrop

MUSICIANS

St. Philip Choir | Matthew Dirst, organist | Randall Swanson, director of music

Music Notes

Organ Music

Today's **opening voluntary** comes from Dieterich Buxtehude, the famed Lübeck organist who was a leading light of the North German Baroque. His praeludia feature multiple section that alternate between rhapsodic figuration for the hands and the feet and short fugues. The festive D Major Praeludium also includes a number of "echo" effects, in which the same musical ideas are repeated multiple times, allowing for changes to different registers or divisions of the organ.

Johannes Brahms' Op. 122 chorale preludes for organ are among the only works he wrote for the instrument. His setting of the German chorale tune *Herzlich tut mich erfreuen* ("My heart exults with gladness"), this morning's **closing voluntary**, conveys a kind of gentle joy at the message of Easter though accompanying figuration that surges quietly throughout the texture.

Choral Music

Today's **introit** is an arrangement by Austin Lovelace of the nineteenth-century American folk tune SHOUT ON (at one time called ANTIOCH, though not to be confused with the Christmas tune by the same name). Lovelace served for 52 years as Minister of Music at Willshire Presbyterian Church in Denver, Colorado. Once considered the "dean of American church music," Lovelace composed over 800 works for organ, choir and solo voice, and he served on the editorial committees of several denominational hymnals.

This morning's spritely offertory anthem was composed for the choir of St. Paul's Cathedral in Melbourne, Australia by English composer Andrew Carter. Published in 2001, his Easter Alleluya features a driving dancelike mostly in 8/8 time (3+3+2) that builds in intensity from beginning to end. Andrew Carter began his musical career as a bass singer in the York Minster Choir, and later founded the Chapter House Choir at York Minster, which he directed for seventeen years. Long associated with Oxford University Press, Carter has composed numerous sacred choral works for church and cathedral choirs, as well as for choirs with orchestra. In the mid-1990s Carter was invited to write his Missa Sancti Pauli for the 1997 tercentenary of the building of Christopher Wren's St. Paul's Cathedral in London. He has also composed a number of large works for organ, including his Toccata on Veni Emmanuel (1995), Organ Concerto (2005), and Passacaglia (2007).

- Matthew Dirst and Randall Swanson



IN OUR PRAYERS

Butch Wilson and family upon the death of his father, Mac Wilson, on April 9. William Rowe and family upon the death of his father, Alan Rowe, on April 7. Jamie Benard and family upon the death of his father, Gil Benard, on April 6.

- Betsy Flowers and Tyler Richard, daughter and son-in-law of Beth and Fort Flowers welcomed Leonardo "Leo" Knowles Richard to the family on April 11.
- St. Philippians and their families— Ruena Wood; Kathryn Harwood; Robin & Gary Willis; CJ Miller; Jennifer Wilson; Jane Malczewskyj; Jan Fox; Peg Palisin; Beverly Hudson; Susan Huffman; Mary Sinderson; Eleanor Grant; Judy Nunn; Molly Boren-Whitney; Carolyn Vestal; Lane Fletcher; Austin Lippincott; Richard Johnson; Don Padgett; Steve Adger; Judith Crane; Arlette Keene; Mezgebe Gebray; Willow Polk niece of Sharon Webb; Truxillo family Wayne and Sandra Truxillo; John Murphy, Sr. cousin of Gary Gardner; Carla Burns cousin of Sharon Webb; Robert Kirtley father of Amanda Kirtley; Susan Everhart niece of Nancy Everhart Johnson; Warren Cash brother of Kay Cash; Ann Perenyi mother of Lad Perenyi; Donna Harris—sister of Joyce Fugit; Darryl Cazes—brother of Pam Taylor; Ann Perkins Cloud—cousin of Stephen Paine; Carol Paine Kendrick—sister of Stephen Paine; John Anderson—brother of Tom Anderson; and Elizabeth Carlton Lithio—granddaughter of Jeanie Flowers.
- Homebound—Elizabeth Arp; Beverly Baker; John Bobbitt; Ellen MacDonald; Jean Nelson; Joyce Randolf; George and Larraine Scott; Sondra Sullivan; and Jody Tomforde.

Friends of St. Philippians— Rosebud Wiese Kirby – friend of Tina Bryan; Jacqueline Boyd – friend of Kate Burkart; Carol Gilliland - friend of Orlean Anderson; Betsy Shear Lewis – friend of Laney Miller; Shirley Stubblefield—friend of