

THE LAMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We are a family of faith wrapping our arms around God's world
and making Jesus Christ a way of life*

through **worship**, as we praise and glorify God;
through **study**, as we listen for God's Word in body, mind and spirit;
through **mission**, as we embody God's love in service to the world;
through **giving**, as we express gratitude to God;
through **fellowship**, as we love and care for one another.

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who was crucified.***



"He has been raised; he is not here."

Mark 16:6b

EASTER SUNDAY

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
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April 1, 2018

9:00AM & 11:00AM

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PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE Sonata in B-flat Major for Trumpet and Organ Henry Purcell
 Haochen Wang, trumpet

WELCOME

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

INTROIT *Messiah*, HWV 56 George Frideric Handel
 No. 31 Recitative "He Was Cut Off Out of the Land of the Living" Isaiah 53:8
 No. 32 Air "But Thou Didst Not Leave His Soul in Hell" Psalm 16:10
 John Cloys, soloist

* CALL TO WORSHIP 9:00AM Nivita Thomas/11:00AM Duncan Rose

Leader: My heart is ready, O God,

Psalm 57:7-11, Gelineau translation

People: my heart is ready; I will sing your praise.

Leader: Awake my soul, awake lyre and harp,

People: I will awake the dawn.

Leader: I will thank you Lord among the peoples,

People: praise you among the nations;

Leader: for your love reaches to the heavens

People: and your truth to the skies.

Leader: O God, arise above the heavens,

People: may your glory shine on earth!

Leader: The Lord is risen.

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People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: Let us worship God!

* GATHERING HYMN 123 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

* RESPONSIVE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: If at times we deny you,

People: God forgive.

Leader: When the risks of discipleship are high
and we are nowhere to be found:

People: God forgive.

Leader: When we wash our hands of responsibility:

People: God forgive.

Leader: When we cast our lot with powerful oppressors
and seek to buy freedom with silver:

People: God forgive.

Leader: When fear keeps us from witnessing to the truth,
or prejudice keeps us from believing it:

People: God forgive.

Leader: In the bright light of Easter morning, O God,
our sin is exposed and your grace is revealed.

**People: Tender God,
raise us in your love so that, with joy,
we may witness to your awesome deeds,
in the name of Jesus, the risen one.**

* KYRIE

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

You are the Christ, giver of mercy!

You are the Lord, giver of mercy!

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

- * CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 579) 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.**

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Children through 7th Grade are excused to go with their teachers to church school.)

ANTHEM

Messiah, HWV 56

G.F. Handel

No. 33 Chorus "Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates"

Psalms 24:7-10

SECOND READING

Mark 16:1-8

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Now You See Him"

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* HYMN 115

“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain”

ST. KEVIN

* AN EASTER AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison*)

**This is the gospel which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved,
if we hold it fast:
that Christ died for our sins
according to the Scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and to the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last,
the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY Gigha from Sonata in F Major, K. 78
PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

Domenico Scarlatti

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

St. Kevin, #115

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Heav'n and earth are full this day of your glory bright
Glad hosannas now we raise, raise them in the highest
To the one who in God's name
comes to dwell beside us.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF BREAD AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(You are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. Please remain seated. The communion elements will be served to you. Gluten and casein free elements are available.)

SOLO

Air "As with rosy steps the morn", from *Theodora*, HWV 68

G.F. Handel

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION *(unison)*

Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life.

**We are fed by your love
and strengthened by your life.**

**You send us forth into this world to live your way
and share your joy.**

**Give us courage to
feed as we have been fed,
forgive as we have been forgiven,
love as we have been loved.**

**Thanks be to God,
who gives us the victory!**

THE SENDING

* SENDING HYMN 118

"The Day of Resurrection!"

LANCASHIRE

* BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Messiah, HWV 56

G.F. Handel

No. 34 Recitative "Unto Which of the Angels Said He"

Hebrews 1:5

John Cloys, soloist

No. 35 Chorus "Let all the Angels of God Worship Him"

Hebrews 1:6

* POSTLUDE

Suite in C Major for Trumpet and Organ

Henry Purcell

Haochen Wang, trumpet

** All who are able please stand*

Welcome to Lamington: If you are a guest, please fill out the information card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or to the pastor or usher at the end of the service. The church office hours are Monday-Friday from 10:00AM-3:00PM, phone: (908) 572-7013, email: lamingtonchurch@gmail.com. If you have a pastoral emergency and need assistance immediately, please contact Pastor Carl Wilton at (908) 910-5360.

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Today's Worship Notes

We welcome you today on the occasion of this greatest celebration of the Christian year: the resurrection of our Lord. If you're here for the first time, you are especially welcome. We hope you will return often!

The Easter Affirmation of Faith we are using today incorporates language from the following biblical passages: Mark 16:1-9; Matthew 16:16; Revelation 22:13; John 20:23; 1 Corinthians 15:1-6.

Haochen Wang, GUEST TRUMPETER

This morning we welcome to Lamington Church trumpeter Haochen Wang, from Tianjin, China, just southeast of Beijing. Mr. Wang is currently in his first year of graduate study at Westminster Choir College of Rider University, working toward the Master of Music in Choral Conducting degree. At Westminster, he serves as section leader for the basses of the Symphonic Choir and is studying piano in addition to his degree program courses.

DEACONS/ELDERS

9:00AM

Sallye Grubel, Eleanor Halsey, Joe Scott, Meridith Scott, Immanuel Thomas, Monica Thomas

11:00AM

Lynn Carter, John Gordon, Mary Jenkins, Greg Mistele, Duncan Rose, Ann Silk

LITURGIST

9:00AM

Nivita Thomas

11:00AM

Duncan Rose

The Officers of The Lamington Presbyterian Church

Session

Meridith Scott, *Clerk of Session*

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Scott Campbell
Angus Miller
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Alison Paine
Georgie Schley
Ann Silk

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Lynn Carter
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