

# 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.



## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 8, 2018

10:15AM

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**“After he said this, he showed them his hands  
and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced  
when they saw the Lord.”**

John 20:20

**PREPARATION FOR THE WORD**

**RINGING THE BELL**

PRELUDE

Sonata in A Major, K. 323  
Sonata in D Major, K. 335

Domenico Scarlatti

**WELCOME**

**\* PASSING OF THE PEACE**

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

**People: And also with you.**

INTROIT

Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty

UNSER HERRSCHER

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: We have been freed!

**People: Fear and death have no claim on us!**

Leader: Christ the Lord is risen!

**People: Even though we have not touched his wounded hands,  
yet we believe.**

Leader: Even though we have not heard him speak our names,  
yet we believe.

**People: Let us celebrate God’s love  
through the life of our risen Lord!**

**\* GATHERING HYMN 108**

“Christ Is Alive!”

TRURO

**\* INVITATION TO CONFESSON**

**\* PRAYER OF CONFESSON (*unison*)**

**Lord Jesus Christ, forgive our slowness in believing,  
our difficulty in understanding,  
this mystery of Easter.**

**From the exalted place  
where you now dwell with God,  
accept our faith  
(and help us where faith falls short).**

**As you showed yourself alive  
to those who sought you in a tomb,  
forgive us for the ways we still imagine you  
confined by convention,  
locked in the past.**

**Help us to grasp the glorious news  
that you are risen,  
that death no longer has dominion  
over you, or over us. Amen.**

\* 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 106)

ALLELUIA NO. 1

**Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Give praise to His Name.**

**HEARING THE WORD**

PRAAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING

Job 5:8-18

Leader: The Word of the Lord.      **People: Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*(Children through 7<sup>th</sup> Grade are excused to go with their teachers to church school.)*

ANTHEM

*Messiah*, HWV 56

George Frideric Handel

No. 36 Air "Thou Art Gone Up on High"

Psalm 68:18

Neil Mitchell, soloist

No. 37 Chorus "The Lord Gave the Word"

Psalm 68:11

SECOND READING

John 20:19-31

Leader: The Word of the Lord.      **People: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

"Known By Our Wounds"

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

\* HYMN 121

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"

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## \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostles' Creed*)

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 AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

## THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY                    *Messiah*, HWV 56                    George Frideric Handel  
                                  No. 38 Air "How Beautiful Are the Feet of Them"                    Romans 10:1  
                                  Katie Cloys, soloist

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

\* 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 SENDING

\* SENDING HYMN 122 "Thine Is the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

## \* BENEDICTION

*\* 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.

### Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton, PASTOR  
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### Today's Worship Notes

To most of the world, Easter is just a day. In the Christian calendar, Easter is a season, lasting forty days until Pentecost. In the hearts of Christians, Easter is a way of life.

#### Welcome Guest Soloist, Neil Mitchell

Neil Mitchell, today's guest soloist, is a graduate of Westminster Choir College. He currently serves as a staff accompanist at Westminster, and gives private voice and piano lessons in the Princeton and Philadelphia areas. He is originally from Granby, Connecticut.

DEACONS: Hunter Lewis and Laurel Rose      LITURGIST: Sandi Ramsay  
COFFEE HOUR HOSTESS: Cindy Nicol

### Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

Prayer Request Cards can be found in the pews. Please place your request(s) in the offertory plate, or email/phone the church office at [lamingtonchurch@gmail.com](mailto:lamingtonchurch@gmail.com) / (908) 572-7013. Please remember to keep the church office updated on prayer requests submitted. A list of ongoing prayer concerns of the community can be found on the bulletin board outside the church office.

#### We Pray For...

- † **Kathryn Maryanne Connolly**, born on March 27, weighing 8 lbs 4 oz and 21 inches long. Katelin and Bill Connolly are the proud parents, and Anna and Grace are the very excited big sisters! We pray for them as they begin their life together as a family of five.
- † **Peter Nicoletti**, brother-in-law of Ivan Medina, who was recently diagnosed with leukemia and for the many others in the Medina family continuing to live with cancer. We pray for comfort and strength.