

# Welcome to Central Order of Service 4.23.2023 Third Sunday After Easter Liturgical Color: White

## Prelude

*Tell the Story* - arr. Dennis  
Performed by the Bells of Praise  
Bass Guitar-Justin Harper

**Acolyte**— Eli O.

## Welcome/Announcements

### Opening Worship

*Glorious Day* (CCLI # 7081388)  
V1, V2, CH, V3, CH, Bridge, CH

#### Verse 1

I was buried beneath my shame  
Who could carry that kind of weight  
It was my tomb 'til I met You

#### Verse 2

I was breathing but not alive  
All my failures I tried to hide  
It was my tomb 'til I met You

#### Chorus

('Cause when) You called my name (and)  
I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day  
You called my name (and)  
I ran out of that grave  
Out of the darkness into Your glorious day

#### Verse 3

Now Your mercy has saved my soul  
Now Your freedom is all that I know  
The old made new Jesus when I met You  
(Chorus)

#### Bridge

I needed rescue my sin was heavy  
But chains break at the weight of Your glory  
I needed shelter I was an orphan  
Now You call me a citizen of Heaven  
When I was broken You were my healing

Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing  
I have a future my eyes are open  
(Chorus)

## *Raise a Hallelujah* (CCLI Song # 7119315)

### Verse 1

I raise a hallelujah in the presence of my enemies  
I raise a hallelujah louder than the unbelief  
I raise a hallelujah my weapon is a melody  
I raise a hallelujah Heaven comes to fight for me

### Chorus

I'm gonna sing in the middle of the storm  
Louder and louder you're gonna hear my praises  
roar  
Up from the ashes hope will arise  
Death is defeated the King is alive

### Verse 2

I raise a hallelujah with everything inside of me  
I raise a hallelujah I will watch the darkness flee  
I raise a hallelujah in the middle of the mystery  
I raise a hallelujah fear you lost your hold on me

### Bridge

Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)  
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)  
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)  
Sing a little louder (Sing a little louder)

### Bridge

Sing a little louder in the presence of my enemies  
Sing a little louder louder than the unbelief  
Sing a little louder my weapon is a melody  
Sing a little louder Heaven comes to fight for me  
(REPEAT)

Sing a little louder

### Ending

I raise a hallelujah

## Morning Prayer

*The Lord's Prayer* UMH 895

## Special Music

*Jesus is Coming Again*—John Peterson

Marvellous message we bring,  
Glorious carol we sing,  
Wonderful word of the King -  
Jesus is coming again! (again!)

### Refrain:

Coming again, Coming again;  
May be morning, may be soon,  
May be evening and may be soon!  
Coming again, Coming again;  
O what a wonderful day it will be -  
Jesus is coming again!

Forest and flower exclaim, Mountain and meadow the same,  
All earth and heaven proclaim -  
Jesus is coming again! (again!)

Standing before Him at last,  
Trial and trouble all past,  
Crowns at His feet we will cast - Jesus is coming again! (again!)

### Offering

*Just a Closer Walk with Thee* - arr. Ingram  
Performed by the Bells of Praise  
Bass Guitar-Justin Harper

### Doxology UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow, Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up-lifts!  
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

### Centering Hymn

*Holy Holy Holy* UMH #64 Verse 1

#### Verse 1

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty,  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

### Scripture Lesson

#### Matthew 9:32-24 (NRSVEU)

*32 After they had gone away, a demon-possessed man who was mute was brought to him. 33 And when the demon had been cast out, the one who had been mute spoke, and the crowds were amazed and said, "Never has anything like this been seen in Israel." 34 But the Pharisees were saying, "By the ruler of the demons he casts out the demons."*

### Sermon—Pastor Bruce Gwyn

#### Apostle's Creed (No. 881)

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he arose from the dead; he ascended

into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

### Closing Hymn

*I'd Love to Tell the Story* (Verse 1 & 4) UMH 156

#### Verse 1

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

#### Refrain:

I love to tell the story,  
'twill be my theme in glory,  
to tell the old, old story  
of Jesus and his love.

#### Verse 4

I love to tell the story, for those who know it best seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.  
And when, in scenes of glory,  
I sing the new, new song, 'twill be the old, old story  
that I have loved so long. [Refrain]

### Benediction

### Chiming of the Holy Trinity

### Postlude

*Fanfare and March on "St. Theodulph"-arr. Dixon*

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration and memory of  
Ruth Barnett Wilson  
By: Kathy, Aubrey Livsie & Family  
Ken, Dolores Wilson & Family*

**Ushers:** Joe Patterson, Johnny Harris  
**Greeter:** Paula Goforth

#### STEWARDSHIP REPORT ATTENDANCE

(4/16) 10:00a Service.....85

#### Operating Fund 2023

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