

## SUNDAY, APRIL 15 | REVELATION 4.1-11

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

In our anguish we cried to the Lord,  
and he answered by setting us free.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

The Lord is our strength and our song;  
he has become our salvation.

We will not die but live,  
and will proclaim what the Lord has done.

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his love endures forever.

The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the Lord has done this;  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

### CONFESSION OF SIN

Almighty God,  
in raising Jesus from the grave,  
you shattered the power of sin and death.  
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death.

We overlook the poor  
and the hungry and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to  
calls for peace; we despise the weak and abuse the earth you made.

Forgive us, God of mercy.  
Help us to trust your power  
to change our lives and make us new,  
that we may know the joy of life abundant  
given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

## **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Hear the good news!

Who is in a position to condemn?

Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.  
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.  
Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

Thanks be to God!

## **BENEDICTION**

God is worthy to receive all glory and honor and power - for he created all things and by his will they exist and were created.

As image bearers of him, created for good works - go and live in this city as men and women who bring glory and honor to his name. Give your lives to him - that others would see it and do the same. Amen.