

Order of Service

First Parish in Concord

April 9, 2023

*It matters how we treat ourselves, each other, and our communities.
It matters that we treat each other with love.*

Organ Prelude “Choral Preludes” by Johann Sebastian Bach– Eric Huenneke, organist
Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn, BWV 630
Herr Jesu Christ, dich zu uns wend, BMV 632

Welcome & Announcements – Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

Call to Worship – Rev. Liz Weber

Chalice Lighting – Rev. Amy Freedman

Unison Response: O flame of our faith, open our hearts
 And fill our bodies and souls with persistent strength;
Enliven our spirits and engage us deeply in this life of ours,
 This sacred essential moment now.

Opening Hymn #61 “Lo, the Earth Awakes Again”

Wisdom Story

Anthem “Roll Away the Stone” by Gretchen Haley (words) and Jason Shelton (music) – First Parish Choir

Sermon “Easter Sunday” – Rev. Seth Carrier-Ladd

Anthem “Alleluia” by Randall Thompson

Parish Concerns, Calling of Names & Prayer

Silence

Hymn “I Am the Calm”

I am the calm in the eye of the storm, come to center.
I am the calm in the eye of the storm, take a breath.
I am the calm in the eye of the storm, come to center.
I am the calm in the eye of the storm, you can rest.
I am the calm.

Call for Offering

Offertory “Chorale Prelude” *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*, BMV 634 by J. S. Bach

Closing Hymn #270 “O Day of Light and Gladness”

*Singers who wish to join with the choir to sing the “Hallelujah Chorus”
may come forward during the final hymn*

Closing Words & Benediction

Go out into the world in peace
Have courage
Hold on to what is good
Return to no person evil for evil
Strengthen the faint-hearted
Support the weak
Help the suffering
Honor all beings

Postlude “Hallelujah Chorus” by G. F. Handel

We invite you to remain as our service concludes with the postlude.

*To give to the Offering via text message - send a text message to 855-691-2592.
Please join us for coffee and social time after the service.*