



GATHERING for WORSHIP

Prelude *Amazing Grace* Marion Bolton

Opportunities For Ministry Rev. RJ Leek

Call To Worship Sufficient Grace Singers
Living Hope & Bill Neale

Prayer of Confession (Responsive) Lay Leader, Keith Haines

Loving God,
**we confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection
 but are caught in the worries of the world.**
**We confess that we do not always live in the spirit of new life
 but remain discontent, grumbling and anxious.**

Forgive us for not sharing in the Good News.
**Forgive us when we find it more comfortable to worry and complain
 than to risk the joy and encouragement of new life in Christ.**
**Call us back to Your ways, O God,
 to seek hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace.**
In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness (Leader)

Christ is Risen!
 The stone is rolled away, the tomb found empty. Mary calls out,
“I have seen the Lord!”
 We have seen Christ, too, in every helping hand,
**in every heartfelt gift,
 in every choice to restore life in this world.**
 We are called to this new life, a life of forgiveness and reconciliation.

The LITURGY of the WORD

You are forgiven; accept your forgiveness and know that God loves you.
 Walk forward on this journey of faith,
 knowing your brothers and sisters are with you. Amen.

Easter in Motion *Arise My Love* H.I.M. Ministry

Pastor’s Prayer

Our Lord’s Prayer

Kids Time Dick Krase

Worship Through Giving

Offertory *Jesus Paid it All* Julie Williams
& Bob Williams

Doxology Congregational Response

Prayer of Dedication Rev. RJ Leek

The Scripture Matthew 28:1-10

The Word Proclaimed Rev. RJ Leek

We’re Not Worthy

Hymn of Response *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*
Marcie Samuelson

The Benediction Rev. RJ Leek

Response to the Benediction Congregation
Victory in Jesus

Postlude *This is Amazing Grace* Marcie Samuelson
& Bill Neale

Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven
And spoke Your name into the night.

Then through the darkness
Your loving kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished,
The end is written.
Jesus Christ, my living Hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless
grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame.

The cross is spoken,
I am forgiven.
The King of kings calls me His own.
Beautiful Savior,
I'm yours forever.
Jesus Christ, my living Hope.

Hallelujah! Praise the One who set me free!
Hallelujah! Death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken ev'ry chain,
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living Hope!

Then came the morning that sealed the
promise.
Your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me.

Jesus Yours is the victory.

Hallelujah! Praise the One who
set me free!
Hallelujah! Death has lost its grip
on me.
You have broken ev'ry chain,
There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living Hope!

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today
Halleluia
Sons of men and angels say
Halleluia
Raise your joys and triumphs high
Halleluia
Sing ye heav'ns and earth reply
Halleluia

Lives again our glorious King
Halleluia
where, O Death, is now thy sting?
Halleluia
Once He died our souls to save
Halleluia
Where's thy victory O grave?
Halleluia

Soar we now where Christ hath led
Halleluia
Following our exalted Head
Halleluia
Made like Him, like Him we rise
Halleluia
Ours the Cross the Grave the Skies
Halleluia

Victory in Jesus

O Victory in Jesus my Savior forever,
He sought me a sought me with His redeeming
blood.
He loved me ere I knew Him,
And all my love is due Him.
He plunged me to Victory beneath the
cleansing flood.

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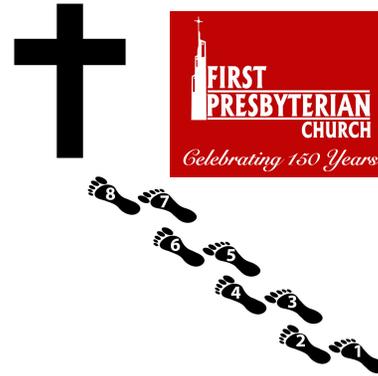
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Last Sunday in Lent

Welcome to First Pres!

Please grab a cup of coffee and something delicious from your own kitchen and join us via the web!

Vision Vital Signs

Please check in with us on Facebook or send us an email! It's so important that we stay connected through these challenging times. Reach out to each other. Check in with one another. Keep us in the loop so that we can be proactive in responding to those who need extra help. Do you need groceries? Meals? We have people willing and able to connect with you!

This Week at First All Events Cancelled

Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

Is there a stone in front of your grave that is time for Jesus to roll away? Every hope, dream ever spoken and unspoken longing of human life on our planet finds its fulfillment in an empty tomb in first century Palestine. Jesus' resurrection is the surest confirmation that God not only loves the world, but is making all things new. (Rev. 21:5) Christ has literally walked to hell and back and what does He hold in His hands at the end of His journey? A souvenir: the keys of death (Rev. 1:18) Jesus has made death's tomb a womb of everlasting life!

Rise with Christ this Easter Day. Welcome Him to lift you from the graves that hold you, and to penetrate the darkness of your fears with enduring confidence that He is truly *making all things new* Join your resurrected Lord in the healing of a broken world and show everyone Jesus is alive by living a "life of love" and bringing others to know His love.

Prayer:

Lord, I choose to rise with You. Lead me.

For your Easter Reflection:

How will I now live as an heir of Christ's resurrection life?

Based on Rise. An 8 Day Easter Devotional by Dan Wilt, M. Min.