



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 21, 2019

Easter Sunday

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

SILENT MEDITATION CHIMING THE HOUR

PRELUDE Choral Charles-Marie Widor

Movement from organ Symphony no. 10 based on Easter chants

THE EASTER STORY Luke 24:1-9

WORDS OF GREETING

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: And also with you! Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

CHORAL INTROIT This Is the Day! MacKenzie

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

People: His steadfast love endures forever! Leader: The Lord is my strength and my might;

People: He has become my salvation.

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become

the chief cornerstone.

People: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our

eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*HYMN No. 123 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (UNISON)

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

Leader: "Do not be afraid; I know you are looking for Jesus

who was crucified. He is not here; for he has been

raised, as he said."

Friends hear and believe the Good News:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

*Gloria Patri

Hymn No. 579

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

RECOGNITION OF NEW MEMBERS

 $[^]st$ Those who are able are invited to stand.

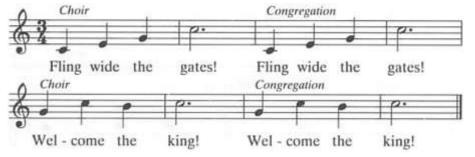
THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (UNISON)

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the light of eternity. Enlighten our minds and kindle our hearts that in the reading of the scriptures we may hear your word of promise and joy. Amen.

ANTIPHONAL PSALM RESPONSE

Psalm 118



Let the doors of righteousness be opened; we will go in and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; it is opened for the righteous.

We will give praise, for God has heard us and has come to save us. (R)

The stone which the builders rejected as worthless has become the cornerstone.

This is your work, O Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

Lord, you have made this day; let us rejoice and be glad. (R)

You are our God; we give you praise; we will proclaim your greatness. We will offer thanks because of your goodness; your love endures forever. (R)

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth.

ANTHEM

Christ is Risen! Christ is Alive!

Larson

Christ is risen! Sing alleluia! Celebrate this day of days. Sing aloud your hymns of gladness; Sing your joyous hymns of praise!

Christ is Risen! Sing alleluia! King of kings whom we adore. Death is conquered, sin is defeated. Jesus lives forevermore.

Where, O grave, is your victory? Where, O death, is your evil sting? Christ is risen, he is risen! He's risen from the dead.

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing! The cross stands empty to the sky. Let streets and homes with praises. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

Christ is alive and comes to bring Good news to this and every age; Till earth and sky and ocean ring With joy, with justice, love, and praise.

Christ is risen! Sing alleluia! Sing your joyous hymns of praise!

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

SERMON *Life in Christ: Life in Joy* Rev. Sherard Edington

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

SONG OF PRAISE

He Saved Us All!

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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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

OFFERTORY

My Glory, Joy, and Crown

Parks

*Doxology

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE THE LORD'S PRAYER

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SENDING FORTH

*HYMN No. 122

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*Postlude

Toccata (organ Symphony no. 5)

C.M. Widor

Participating in the 11:00 service today are Presley Bush, horn, Cal Clark, soloist, Alice Lloyd, cello, and Wayne Ray, soprano saxophone.

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this Easter morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner April 24, 6:00 p.m.

Lemon Chicken, Cheese Grits, Broccoli Slaw, Dessert

To make a reservation, please call the church office at (615) 444-1360 by Tuesday.

THE PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY of the congregation are extended to Loyce Bradshaw and family upon the death of **Charles Bradshaw** on April 12.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS – The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the life of **Bill Harm** by Becky Harm.

NEW MEMBERS – It is with great joy that we receive into membership today Jack Emmert, Fred & Sue Lutz, Laura, Alden, & William Simmons, Marcia Slagle, Jim & Mickey Stueck, and Margaret Ann Trail.

The **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING** offering will be received today. Your gift enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

VANGOES TRIP – On April 23 the VanGoes will take a tour of Wynnewood State Historic Site in Castalian Springs and have lunch at The Chocolate Covered Strawberry restaurant in Gallatin. Please call the church office to make a reservation.

On Tuesday, May 14, the VanGoes will tour the Nissan plant in Smyrna. Tour is limited to 12. Contact the church office by April 30 to make your reservation.

ORGAN CONCERT featuring J.D. Plant will be held on Sunday, April 28, at 4:00 p.m. Everyone is welcomed to attend.

ALL-CHURCH BREAKFAST – On Sunday, May 5, everyone is invited to our All-Church Breakfast. See bulletin insert to make a reservation.

SERMON SERIES – Today is the last of a 6-part Lenten Sermon Series called *Life in Christ*. Through the scripture readings for Lent and Easter, we will explore what it means to live our lives with Christ.

THIS WEEK AT FPC Today Wednesday Worship 8:45 a.m. 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Meal Church School **Choir Practice** 9:45 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 11:00 a.m. Worship Thursday 9:00 a.m. Preschool Monday **Tuesday** 6:30 p.m. Praise Team 9:00 a.m. Preschool Friday 9:45 a.m. VanGoes Trip Saturday

	ELDERS	
Class of 2019	Class of 2020	Class of 2021
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Organist – J.D. Plant
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Brown, Kayla McClanahan
Custodians – Richard and Donna Morales

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children Adult
Nursery Atypical Class
Preschool – 1st Grade Cross Roads Class
Elementary Class Faith Builders Class
Middle School Class
High School Class Women's Class

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