



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2019 9:30 AM

First Presbyterian Church

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THE CHURCH GATHERS

PRAYER FOR MEDITATION: *Grant us, O God, a mind to meditate on you; eyes to behold you; ears to listen for your word; a heart to love you; and a life to proclaim you; through the power of the Spirit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *It is Well with My Soul* Bliss
FPC Handbells

INTROIT *Jesus, Lamb of God* McLin
Chancel Choir

#*CALL TO WORSHIP *Elder David Greene*

One: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

ALL: *And also with you.*

One: Praise be to the God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rolled back the stone and brought our Savior out from the grave!

ALL: *We rejoice, for in God's great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ!*

One: We praise God for our inheritance in Christ; an inheritance which can never perish, spoil, or fade.

ALL: *In the sacrificial gift of Jesus Christ, we find our hope and our future until the day of salvation.*

One: Sisters and brothers, we have been ransomed from the bondage of sin, not with perishable things like silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ!

ALL: *Our faith and hope are set on God, for He loved the world so much He gave His only Son, that we might believe and have life! Alleluia!*

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

#*HYMN OF PRAISE: 246 *(Please stand at the introduction to the hymns)*
Christ Is Alive!

TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Elder David Greene*

One: Merciful God, we know that one of the major marks of Christian fellowship is the sense of joy we experience as we gather to worship and to witness to the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

ALL: *Yet, we confess that there are times when we feel afraid, abandoned, and lonely; when our lives seem empty of your presence.*

One: We have known desolate times, when faith leads to doubt and questions rather than a sense of joy and peace of mind.

ALL: *Heavenly Father, unlike those first disciples, we cannot touch or see Jesus,*

One: And it is all too easy to lose sight of His living presence in our lives.

ALL: *Like the first disciples, we sometimes find the powerful truth of Easter hard to believe.*

One: Father, forgive us when we doubt, or when we believe and simply act like we doubt.
ALL: *Come to us, risen Christ.*
One: Come through the closed doors of our hearts and minds and take away our fears and doubts.
ALL: *Come to us, risen Christ. Fill us with the joy and peace of your presence. Forgive us our sins, and give us eyes to see you and lips to praise you. Through Christ we pray, Amen.*

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Elder David Greene

One: Jesus told Nicodemus that “*God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.*”
ALL: *The good news therefore is this: In Christ Jesus our sins are forgiven, for in Him we find salvation rather than condemnation! Thanks be to God!*

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: (Hymn: 581)

GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

TO GIVE THANKS, PETITION AND INTERCESSION

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Oliver Thomson Smith (see insert)

Rev. John White

HYMN: 486 *Child of Blessing, Child of Promise (stanza 1)*
*Child of blessing, child of promise, baptized with the Spirit’s sign,
with this water God has sealed you unto love and grace divine.*

KINGDOM

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

Rev. John White

Janice Webster Reaffirmation of Faith

(sing in unison) *Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Child Abuse Prevention

Kathelene White

PASSING OF THE PEACE

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Rev. John White

(After the Time with Children, our young friends ages 4-2ND grade are invited to the Children’s Church in the Education Building. An adult will escort the children. After church the children will be escorted to their appropriate Sunday School rooms. Grades 3-5 are invited to remain in the Sanctuary for worship.)

*HYMN: 238

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (p. 35 in front of hymnal)

ANTHEM

Children of the Heavenly Father
FPC Handbells

arr. Moglebust

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Elder David Greene

EPISTLE READING

Revelation 1:4-8 (pg. 243)

NEW TESTAMENT READING

John 20:19-31 (pg. 115)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

SERMON

"Resurrection...Part II"

Rev. John H. White

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison)

The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) p. 14

*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.*

*(At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center isle on each pew,
sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.)*

OFFERING

ORGAN

Benedictus

Penfield

OFFERTORY

Dr. Terry McRoberts

*Doxology (Tune: 607)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

*Dedicatory Prayer

Elder David Greene

TO GO OUT TO SERVE

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: 546**

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION:**

We Go in Peace

Chancel Choir

Christopher

***ORGAN POSTLUDE**

Prelude on CRUCIFER

Powell