

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter. 10:00 am April 11, 2021**

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WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

**People: Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."**

Leader: Let the house of Aaron say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

**People: Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever."**

Leader: Out of my distress I call on the Lord; the Lord answered me and set me in a broad place.

**People: With the Lord on my side I do not fear. The Lord is on my side to help me.**

Leader: It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to put confidence in mortals.

**People: This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have 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.**

Leader: The Lord is God, and he has given us light.

**All: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever! Amen.**

OPENING PRAYER

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Crown Him with Many Crowns" (see insert)

\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Good Lord, we are like the people who welcomed you to Jerusalem, we are happy to be with you when things are going well and inclined to run away when the going is tough: Lord have mercy. Sometimes we are ashamed to confess that we know you: Christ have mercy. We know that you are a special friend to the poor, the hungry and the sick, but we do not always love your friends: Lord have mercy.**

\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the good news.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

\*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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SPECIAL MUSIC "Written in Red"

SCRIPTURE READING John 20:19-31

SERMON "Thomas' Twin" The Rev. Larry Neal

HYMN "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" (see insert)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

We give thanks to you, O Lord, for your sustaining presence and abundant grace. Receive now these gifts that we bring to you,

made possible because of your generous provision in our lives. May they be used to satisfy the hungry, relieve the oppressed, and proclaim everywhere the good news of your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

HYMN "In Christ Alone" (see insert)

\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE

**\*Those who are able, please stand.**

**Leading Worship:** The Rev. Larry Neal, Pastor; Randy Speas, liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist; Heather Speas, Elder of the Month.

We warmly greet all who have come to worship God. Your presence will enhance our worship experience and our fellowship together. Sincere thanks to each of you for your participation in the service. Glory be to God!

### Announcements

**Monday Morning Yoga** 10am

**Bible Study** Tuesdays at 10 am

**Prayer Meeting** Thursdays 9:30 am

**Session Meeting** April 12<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm

**Mission Outreach** meeting April 14<sup>th</sup> at 10 am

**The Fellowship committee** is excited to announce that Wednesday night fellowship will resume weekly on April 14<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at 6:30 and our time together will run approximately 45 minutes to an hour. At this time there will be NO food. We encourage people to bring their own drinks. We will have safety measures in place, so we are requiring that masks or face shields be worn while we are together in the fellowship hall. We will be spacing out the tables and request that you sit with your family or people that you regularly have contact with.

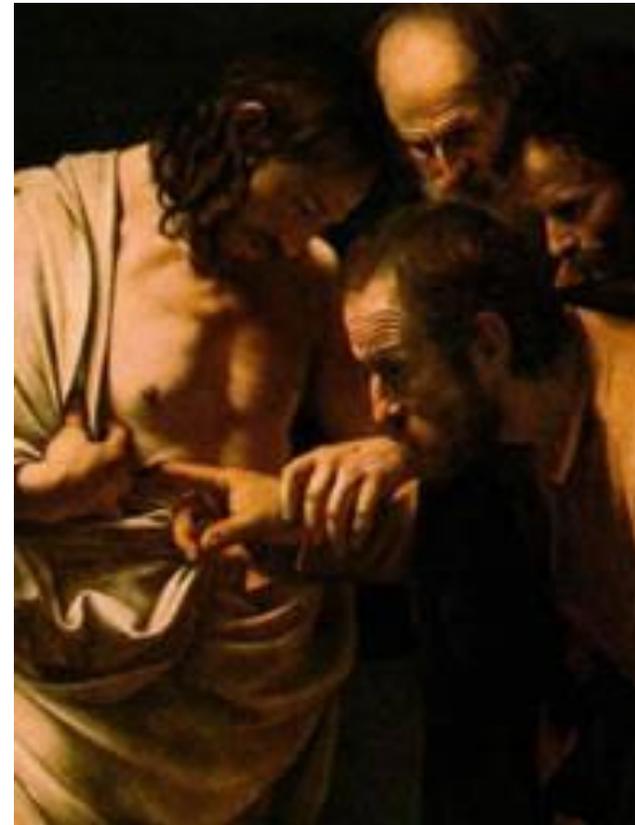
Our time together will include a rotating variety of events not in any particular order: activity of the night, prayer concerns, 5 min testimony, note writing, song of the week, and closing prayer. Eventually our goal is to add the food back into the evening (most likely when we start back up in the fall)

Look forward to seeing everyone there.



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“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark,  
how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him  
as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich  
wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the  
sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning  
eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a sceptre sways  
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and  
praise. His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet  
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the potentate of time; creator of  
the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail!  
For Thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail  
throughout eternity.

“Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun”

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun does his successive journeys  
run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall  
wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to  
crown his head; his name, like sweet perfume, shall rise  
with every morning sacrifice.

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with  
sweetest song, and infant voices shall proclaim their early  
blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the prisoner leap to loose  
their chains; the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want  
are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring honors peculiar to our King;  
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud  
Amen!

“In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength,  
my song; This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the  
fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of  
peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease.

My comforter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless  
babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones  
He came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of  
God was satisfied. For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the  
death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness  
slain; Then, bursting forth in glorious Day, up from the grave He  
rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its  
grip on me; For I am His and He is mine, bought with the  
precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His  
hand; Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of  
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