

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE EASTER FESTIVAL SERVICE

April 9, 2023 11:00 am

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

"Piece Heroique"

C. Franck

"The Rejoicing"

G.F. Handel

Dr. Mark Coffey, Organist

RINGING OF THE HAND CHIMES

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING OF FRIENDSHIP PADS

INTROIT

"King Jesus Is Arisen"

Words by Nancy Price and Don BESIG Music by Don Besig

THE TRADITIONAL EASTER GREETING

Minister: Christ the Lord is risen!

People: HE IS RISEN INDEED!

*HYMN

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

No. 217

(Red Hymnal)

CONFESSION OF SIN AND PARDON

Leader: Lord Jesus, you raise the dead to life in the Spirit:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you bring pardon and peace to the
sinner: Christ, have mercy.

All: Christ, have mercy.

Leader: Lord Jesus, you bring light to those in darkness:
Lord, have mercy.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Leader: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our
sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 623 (Red Hymnal)

***"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

ANTHEM

"Hymn Medley" (Alleluia! Alleluia!;

Crown Him With Many Crowns; Worship Christ The Risen King)

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Acts 10:37-43

*HYMN

"Christ Arose" No. 216 (Red Hymnal)

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 16:1-8

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Boulder Christians" Dr. Don McGarity

THE APOSTLES' CREED

(back of Red Hymnal)

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" T. Albrecht

*DOXOLOGY & PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***"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."***

OFFERTORY PRAYER (Unison)

**Eternal God, we praise you that your glory has dawned
on us, and brought us into this Day of Resurrection. May
our giving reflect joy that fills our hearts with your
resurrected power. Amen.**

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Minister: Father, it is our duty and our salvation..... And so we
join the angels and the saints in proclaiming your
glory as we say:

All: *Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.*

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All: *Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.*

Minister: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

All: *AMEN*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

No. 426 (Red Hymnal)

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

Minister: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All: *Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word, and I shall be healed.*

THE DISTRIBUTION (When everyone has been served, we will communion as one.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*HYMN *"The Day of Resurrection"* No. 226
(Red Hymnal)

BENEDICTION

Minister: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Minister: May Almighty God bless you the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People: *Amen.*

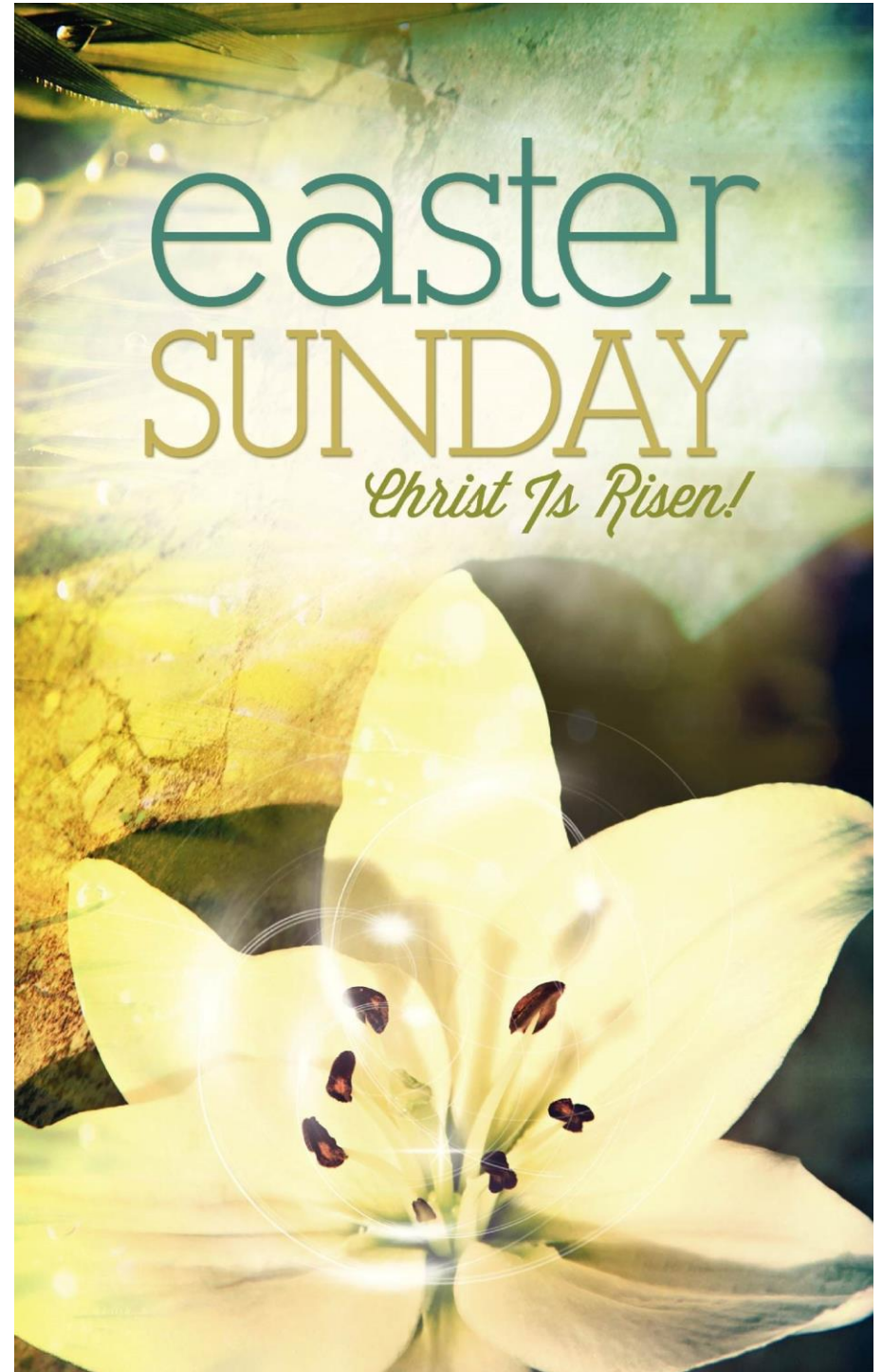
Minister: Go in peace.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

*HYMN *"Hallelujah Chorus"* No. 37 (Red Hymnal)

*POSTLUDE *"Toccata"* C. M. Widor

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



Presbyterians celebrate an “open communion.” All professing Christians who have been baptized “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” are encouraged to partake of this Holy Sacrament.

We greet all visitors in the name of Christ our Lord and are grateful for your attendance today. If you are looking for a church home, please consider joining us. We are a giving, caring, serving congregation. If you are interested in joining us, please speak to the pastor after worship. He would love to share with you the ways you may join us.

Dr. Don McGarity, Minister; Alex Lutz, Liturgist; Leah Metzger, Accompanist & Director; Dr. Mark Coffey, Guest Organist

Announcements



The flowers are given to The Glory of God, and His risen Son in deepest gratitude for “all the saints,” past and present, who served and are serving their Lord in and through the ministry of First Presbyterian Church during the years of our being in Perry, 1986-2023.

Larry and Judy Neal

- Church Office Closed Monday, April 10th
- Christian Education Committee meeting Thursday, April 13th at 10:30 am
- Ushers for April 16th: David Culpepper, Jeanne Hilgendorf, Warren Hilgendorf, Jeanne Raulerson
- **Liturgist** for April 16th: Zach Wiggins
- FPC website www.firstpresperry.org

Session Committee leaders

Administration-Joey Ratliff, Martha Davis

Christian Education-Martha Davis

Clerk-Cindy Brown

Congregation Care-Nancy Bell

Fellowship-Sandi Hilgendorf

Finance-Chuck Eckel

Mission/Outreach-Marne Helberg, Rachel Poppell

Worship/Music-Marilyn Culpepper

Prayers Of and For The People ***First Presbyterian Church***

Continued: Steve, Juanita, Christine L, Judy, June, Jo, Janice, Josh, Mason, Ed & Tommie, Jeanne

All visitors

James Taylor's family and all who grieve

Taylor Co. churches

Nursing home residents

Hungry in our community



The lilies that adorn our Sanctuary this morning are given to the Glory of God by:

Jeanne Raulerson in memory of “my loving husband, Harold Raulerson.”

Tutu and Poppie in honor of Bailey Fletcher.

Tutu and Poppie in honor of Abbot Grace Fletcher.

Nancy and Bob Bell in memory of Nancy’s grandmother, Chaffer Lily Fair Cruce Agner.

Tom and Marcy Fletcher in memory of Marcy’s parents, Buster & Betty Valentine.

Tom and Marcy Fletcher in memory of Tom’s parents, Fred & Beatrice Fletcher.

Tom and Marcy Fletcher in memory of Danny Musgrove, “our friend, who we miss!”

Betty Culbreath in memory of Eric Culbreath and Ashley Smith.

Bob and Marne Helberg in memory of Bob and Bonnie Helberg, Bob Helberg Jr’s parents.

Bob and Marne Helberg in memory of Lloyd and Marge Rettig, parents of Marne Helberg.

Warren and Jeanne Hilgendorf in memory of “our sisters and parents.”

Brenda Wilson in memory of Jim Wilson.

Rev. Don McGarity in honor of Bonnie McGarity.

Rev. Don McGarity in honor of Dr. Mark Coffey.

Larry and Judy Neal in honor of the Burke family- Allen, Claire, Liza and Nash

Steve and Cindy Brown in honor of “our grandchildren and great grandchildren.”

Steve and Cindy Brown in memory of our parents.

Jeff and Amalia Barrett in honor of Ervin Young and Dora Barrett, “our loving parents, we are so blessed.”

Jeff and Amalia Barrett in memory of “our parents, William Barrett, Vince and Sharron Dorman.”

(Easter lilies may be taken home after today’s service.)