

April 4, 2021 GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

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*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Glory to you, O God: you have won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life. Glory to you, O Christ: for us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life. Glory to you, O Holy Spirit: you lead us into the truth. Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. **Amen.**

HYMN

"The Day of Resurrection"

Hymnal 233, v. 1 & 3

RECEIVING FORGIVENESS FROM GOD AND EACH OTHER

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Spoken and Silent (After the corporate Prayer of Confession, please take a few moments of silence to individually confess our sins to God.) All-knowing, all-powerful God, we confess that, even on this most holy day, we are unable to believe in the victory over death shown to us in the resurrection of Jesus Christ, our Lord. We confess our utter dependence on you not only for life but also for faith, hope, and love. Without your astonishing appearance to our ancestors and your stunning presence throughout the ages, we would be lost. Forgive us and transform us, that in every way our work and prayer will make whole what is broken and give peace on earth.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: By the grace of God and the witness of our ancestors, the good news of Jesus' resurrection is our rock and our salvation. You shall not die but live. The

rejected cornerstone has become your strength and your song. As forgiven and redeemed people, your sins are forgiven, for everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

HEARING THE WORD

PSALM OF THE DAY Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Pew Bible **p.436**

ANTHEM Penelope and Peter Hobbie

SCRIPTURES Isaiah 25:6-9 Pew Bible **p.500**

Mark 16:1-8 Pew Bible **p.722**Acts 10:34-43 Pew Bible **p.779**

MESSAGE Easter Series: Living in a Resurrection World

He's Not Here!

Rev. Piper Cartland

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Blessed be the Lord, who has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ. All authority and power and dominion to the name that is above all names—Jesus Christ our Lord—now and in the age to come. Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever. Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS PASTORAL PRAYER MINUTES FOR MINISTRY OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER

HYMN "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" Hymnal 248, v. 1 & 2

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (we say sin)

Pastor: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.** Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE PRAYER

GOING INTO THE WORLD

HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" Hymnal **232, v. 1,3,4***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
POSTLUDE

WELCOME! It is a joy to worship together in person. So that we may do so safely, here are the basic tenets for our COVID-19 Mitigation Plan: Wear your mask; maintain 6 ft physical distance between households; cleanse hands frequently; no singing is allowed, but congregants are encouraged to hum; place tithes/offerings in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary. To keep us all safer, please remember not to gather in the Narthex after worship – continue your fellowship in the parking lot instead. Thank you!



LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are on the last row of pews, with a black cover. If you use one, please put it back after worship.



ASSISTIVE LISTENING DEVICES available on request. Please request one from the Sound Tech at the sound desk.

There are cards are in the pews for visitors to fill out and for anyone who needs to update their information. Please place the cards in the offering plates as needed. If you are visiting today, the worship service is our gift to you. Please contribute to the offering, or not, as God leads. We delight in welcoming you, and we are glad that you're here!

Children up to kindergarten age are welcome in the nursery. There are clipboards with coloring pages in the narthex if children wish to stay in the sanctuary.





^{*}Those who are able please stand



Announcements

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Here are some ways you can keep up with your financial stewardship:

- 1) Donate online with a credit card by clicking the link from our website: www.erpresbyterian.org.
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