

∞ Order of Worship ∞

April 4, 2021

10:30 a.m.

EASTER SUNDAY

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP (Paraphrased from 1 Corinthians 14):

Leader: God plays no favorites! It makes no difference who you are or where you're from,

People: if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open.

Leader: Not everyone saw him—he wasn't put on public display. Witnesses had been carefully handpicked by God beforehand—us!

People: He commissioned us to announce this in public, to bear solemn witness that he is in fact the One whom God destined.

All: Our witness that he is the means to forgiveness of sins is backed up by the witness of all the prophets.

PRAISE SONG HYMN No. 213 "Because He Lives" v. 1

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

Loving God, We have good intentions, but cannot always follow through. We pick some people and reject others. We look up to some folks and down to others. Forgive our evil thoughts and ways. Please help us to start the day in Your light, Lord, and to be more loving in all we say, think and do. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Even as we all have sinned,

People: You, Lord, continue to love all creation and bring us to Your Sabbath.

Leader: You, Lord, continue to forgive us and hold us in Your loving family,

People: And lead us as we confess and repent.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Mark 16:1-8

CHILDREN'S TIME

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Sound the Trumpet" by Henry Purcell
(sung by Kris Park & Scott Miller)

SERMON

"Who Do We Tell?"

DOXOLOGY

PRAYER TIME-THANKSGIVING AND PASTORAL

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.

CELEBRATING HIS SERVANT

HYMN No. 217

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" v. 1 & 4

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"Easter Joy"

by J.S. Bach

Because He Lives

Refrain:

Because He lives I can face tomorrow,
Because He lives all fear is gone;
Because I know He holds the future.
And life is worth the living just because He lives.

Verse 1:

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus,
He came to love, heal, and forgive;
He lived and died to buy my pardon,
An empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.

Refrain

Text: Gloria Gaither and William J. Gaither

Music: *Resurrection*, William J. Gaither

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Verse 1:

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav'ns, and earth reply: Alleluia!

Verse 4:

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll'wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Text: Charles Wesley

Music: *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, London, 1708

This Tuesday, April 6, 7:00 p.m.: Easter and Gun

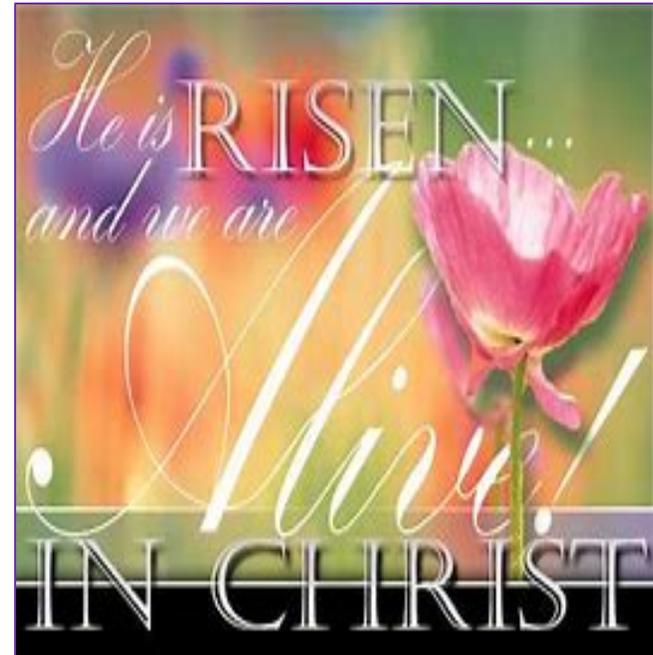
Violence Easter celebrates Jesus' resurrection as God overcomes the powers of fear, sin, violence, and death. It is a good time to ponder now how our faith can counter destructive forces today. The mass killings in Atlanta, Boulder, five other mass killings in 2021 and the thousands of additional deaths from guns are all tragic. In 2020, gun violence killed nearly 20,000 Americans, more than any other year in at least two decades. How does our faith call for us to respond? This Tuesday's speaker will be the Rev. Deanna Hollas who is the Gun Violence Prevention Ministry Coordinator with the Presbyterian Peace Fellowship and a founding member of the Everytown for Gun Safety Interfaith Advisory Council. She will join us on zoom from her home in Texas. Join us this Tuesday, April 6, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on zoom: Meeting ID: 884 9910 6722 Passcode: FPUC or <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88499106722?pwd=NyqWnBUUXlwemJqU3dXRDFkdKpqdz09>

Administrative Door

There is a new push button lock on the administrative door. Each person (family) has their own code. Please call Arlene or Dave Parsons to get your personal code. Hold your palm over the lock and the device will come on, then punch in your number and hit the * key.

PNC

A brief update to let you all know that the Pastor search is continuing and progress is being made.



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