

First Presbyterian Church

Welcomes you for Worship

March 31, 2023

CHRIST IS RISEN



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Easter Day

March 31, 2024
10:15 am

WELCOME

The Rev. Michael Seely



PRELUDE

“Partita on Hail Thee, Festival Day (Prelude)”

C. Callahan

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Bonnie Donnelly, worship leader

Christ is risen

Christ is risen!

Glory to you, O God: on this day you 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 all truth.

Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. Let us worship God!



CHORAL INTROIT

Chancel Choir

Peter Sour



*HYMN (No 113, Blue)

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

LLANFAIR



*RESPONSIVE PRAYER FOR EASTER

O Christ, in your resurrection, the heavens and the earth rejoice. Alleluia!
By your resurrection you broke open the gates of hell and destroyed sin and death.

Keep us victorious over sin.

By your resurrection you raised the dead and brought us from death to life.

Guide us in the way of eternal life.

By your resurrection you confounded your guards and executioners and filled the disciples with joy.

Give us joy in your service.

By your resurrection you proclaimed good news to the women and apostles,
and brought salvation to the whole world.

Direct our lives as your new creation.

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead,
for he is alive and has become the Lord of life.

From the waters of death, you raise us with him and renew your gift of life within us.

Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ,
and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you,
through Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

AMEN.

*SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of the risen Lord be with you!

And also with you!



PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



FIRST SCRIPTURE (Pew Bible. p. 118, NT)

Acts 10:34-43

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

*Please stand if able

Chancel Choir

On that great, great mornin' when the stone was rolled way,
on that resurrection mornin' Jesus rose to life that day.
There the tomb, was empty; they said "Jesus is not here!
He's alive!" Great mornin', hallelu.

On that great, great, mornin' at the rising of the sun,
those who saw the tomb was empty knew the victory had been won.
"He's alive Go, tell it, Jesus lives forever more!
He's alive" Great mornin' hallelu!

Jesus is alive! Hallelu, He's alive!
What a great, great day, Jesus is alive!
Yes, my Lord is alive.

On that great mornin', on-a that great mornin' on that great,
great mornin', hallelu!
On that great, great mornin' Jesus came to set us free;
on that resurrection mornin'.
Jesus won the victory! Heaven's gates are opened, hallelujah, let us sing!
He's alive, great mornin'; Hallelujah, great mornin'; on the great, great mornin'.
Jesus is alive, He's alive!



SECOND SCRIPTURE (Pew Bible, pp. 54-56, NT)

Mark 16:1-8

THE WORD PROCLAIMED

“An Unfinished Story”

The Rev. Seely



HYMN (No 298, Blue)

“There’s a Wideness in God’s Mercy”

IN BABILONE



OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

“We Will Lift Up the Name of the Lord”
Joyful Hearts

M. Lister



***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**We give you thanks, great God, for the hope we have in Jesus,
who died but is risen.**

**We praise you for his presence with us. Because he lives, we look for eternal life,
knowing that nothing past, present, or yet to come can separate us from your great love
made known in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**



SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

See separate sheet



***HYMN** (No. 118, Blue)

“The Day of Resurrection”

LANCASHIRE

***DISMISSAL AND BLESSING**



POSTLUDE

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”
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“Postlude for Easter”

S. Scheidt
P. Kickstat
P. Kickstat

*Please stand if able

Note: If you’re staying for postlude, please remain seated; if you're leaving quietly during postlude, we will see you downstairs for sip n chat!

Thank you to David Nuss, our organist, to Peter Sour our music director, to members of the Chancel Choir and Joyful Hearts for sharing their considerable musical talents with us this Easter morning.

The ushers for today's service are Nancy and Mike McCartney. Thank you, McCartneys!

If you purchased Easter flowers, you may take them home after the service today. **We need to have them picked up no later than this Wednesday evening.** Any left at the church past Wednesday will be donated to someone who will enjoy them. **Please remember that every part of an Easter Lily is poisonous to your pet friends; they can cause death in cats and serious illness in dogs.**

The **children's church school leader** meets children from K through 6th grade at the back of the church after the children's message to take them to children's church. They return to you during the hymn following the sermon.

You are invited to join our weekly conversational prayer on Monday morning at 11 am in the church library.

Thank you to the great team of people who came to help with the community meal on Tuesday. We served 108 people.

Your gifts to support our ministry are very much appreciated!



Please place donations in the offering plates located by the entrances to the sanctuary. Donations can be mailed to First Presbyterian Church, 501 4th Street, Marietta, OH 45750. Online giving is also available. On printed copies you can scan the QR code on this page to reach the donation link.

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This Week at First Presbyterian

Monday, April 1

- 11:00 am – Morning Prayers – Library
- 6:00 pm – B & A meeting
- 6:00 pm – Deacons meeting

Tuesday, April 2

- 12:00 pm – Endowments
- 6:00 pm – Worship & Music meeting

Wednesday, April 3

- 5:00 pm -- Handbell rehearsal
- 6:00 pm – Dinner – everyone welcome
- 6:30 pm -- 2nd Wednesday program – Bearsville Bees talk
- 7:00 pm – Chancel Choir rehearsal - Sanctuary
- 8:00 pm – Joyful Hearts rehearsal – Sanctuary

Thursday, April 4

- 7:00 pm – AA - Resource Room

Friday, April 5

- 10:00 am – Front Porch prep

Saturday, April 6

- All morning – Front Porch ministry
- 9:00 am – AA – Resource Room

Next Sunday

- 9:00 am – Sunday School - Library
- 10:15 am – Service for the Lord's Day – Sanctuary
- 11:15 am – Sip 'n Chat
- 11:30 am – Glorify! Rehearsal – Chapel