

# First Presbyterian Church

Rev. Robert Malsack, Interim Pastor

3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 19, 2026

Preservice Music

Boyd Thomas

The Lord has risen! Alleluia!  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

Announcements

Cliff Smith

Opening Prayer

Prelude

Crystal Hogan

\*Praise Medley

Insert

Prayer of Confession:

**Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, You shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the preoccupation with our self-centered ways which cling to so much that is meaningless.**

**Lord Jesus, with Your victory of all the forces of evil, we are free to truly live, for You are with us always and all things work to good in the love You have for us. Come to our assistance and enable us to view all of life from an eternal perspective and to live confidently all the moments of our life.**

*(silence for reflection and personal confession)*

Response:

**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.**

Assurance of Pardon:

Dearly beloved, hear and believe the good news of the gospel,  
**In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen. Alleluia!**

**\*Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.  
He who on the cross as Savior for the world's salvation bled,  
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.**

\*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Time with Young Disciples

Sonia Donnelly

Choral Anthem: *In Christ Alone* (K. Getty, S. Townend; arr. M. Hayes)

Prayer for Illumination

Louise Swope

Scripture Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41

Pg. 910, Pew Bible

Responsive Reading: Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Pg. 510, Pew Bible

Response: The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Text: Luke 24:13-35

Pg. 885, Pew Bible

Sermon: *"Just Another Conversation with Christ"*

\*Statement of Faith: *Second Helvetic Confession* (Chapter 1)

**We believe and confess the Canonical Scriptures of the holy prophets and apostles of both Testaments to be the true Word of God, and to have sufficient authority of themselves, not of men. For God himself spoke to the fathers, prophets, apostles, and still speaks to us through the Holy Scriptures.**

**And in this Holy Scripture, the universal Church of Christ has all things fully expounded which belong to a saving faith, and also to the framing of a life acceptable to God; and in this respect it is expressly commanded of God that nothing be either put to or taken from the same.**

Prayers of Intercessions

Prayer Concerns: Margaret Spooner, Sue Fraker, Lorna March, Anne Starr, Phil Peterson, Chuck Jennings, Geri Anderson, Charlie and Jo Ann Novara, Scott Doda, Kathy Eavenson, Bonnie Hyde, Mary Rushford; the PNC; missionaries, Sam and Cayla

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.**

The Offering

Offertory

**\*Doxology: 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.**

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn: *Worship Christ, the Risen King* No. 361, vs. 1-3

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Response: *Worship Christ, the Risen King* vs. 4, 5

\*Postlude

\*Those who are able, please stand.

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