2nd Sunday of Easter

April 16, 2023

10:30 a.m. Worship



Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you."

After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then
the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

--John 20:20

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Welcome to Worship at First Presbyterian Church

This service is being livestreamed and can be viewed on our YouTube channel in real time or as a recording. Large-print copies of this order of service, as well as audio enhancement devices are available from the ushers.

We gather on Sunday for 3 reasons:

- To seek God- whom we find in sacred text and sacrament, in music and in song, in prayer, in the beauty of this space, in the stillness where we can hear our hearts. We offer God our thanks and praise, our lament and longing, and our resources. We let go of burdens and receive grace and forgiveness. We see the One our hearts love.
- To practice Community rejoice w/those who rejoice, weep w/those who weep. To break bread with those whom we love and those whom we need to love more fully. We practice things our culture does not emphasize: resting, forgiving, sharing. Jesus asked us to love one another as he loved us, and we cannot do so without practice.
- To listen for our Call- often an invitation to go out and <u>be</u> or <u>do</u> or <u>remember</u>. God is speaking all the time: through conscience, nature, friends, and certainly scripture. We gather to listen for that Call and to recommit ourselves to discipleship.

Information on our common life can be found on our website **www.fpcsb.net**, along with sermons and newsletters. You can participate in our work by supporting us financially with a one-time or sustaining donation.

Children are **welcome** in worship. Younger children may go to the Nursery at any time.

OUR NEXT COMMUNION will be Sunday, May 7^{th} .

Morning Worship[†]

Lector: Margaret Doane

REFLECTION BEFORE THE SERVICE

Awe is the feeling of being in the presence of something vast that transcends your current understanding of the world.

-- Dacher Keltner, Awe

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME

PRELUDE *Consolation William Zeitler Allow the music to usher you into sacred space and time.*

INTROIT With a Voice of Singing ¹ Martin Shaw Wit a voice of singing, declare ye this, and let it be heard, Alleluia.

*EASTER ACCLAMATION

This is the good news— The grave is empty, Christ is risen.

■ Alleluia! Amen!

This is the Good News- the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

▼ Alleluia! Amen!

This is the Good News – Our doubts and our fears are no barrier to Christ, let us worship God!

★ Alleluia! Amen!

*HYMN 246 Christ Is Alive TRURO

PRAYER of ADORATION²

Risen Christ, you meet us; we are in awe! In spite of our despair, In the midst of our tears, you come to us and offer us peace. Help us this day, to hear your voice,

[†] The symbols you will see in this order of worship mean:

^{*} Stand if you are able ■ The congregation will read.

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² Thom M. Shuman, Fire and Bread

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to see your face, to wonder at your sudden appearance and to recognize your love as surely as the disciples did. Amen.



TIME with the CHILDREN

[Children are always welcome in worship. After the time with Children, we invite our children ages 4 to 11 to go to KidSpace in Room 11. Parents, please pick your children up immediately following worship.

Infants through pre-Kindergarten may go to the Nursery at any time.]

ANTHEM *Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation ³ Dale Wood* Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the Head and Cornerstone; Chosen of the Lord, and precious, binding all the Church in one; Holy Zion's help forever, And her confidence alone. To this temple, where we call Thee, come, O Lord of hosts, today; with Thy wonted loving kindness hear Thy servants as they pray, and Thy fullest benediction shed within its walls alway. Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son, Laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One, One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.

RESURRECTION APPEARANCES

SCRIPTURE Luke 24:1-4

READING

One of the Women 4

SCRIPTURE John 20:1

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⁴ Ruth Burgess, Fire and Bread.

READING Mary Magdalene 5

SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-20, 24-25

READING The Upper Room 5

READING Thomas 5

SCRIPTURE John 21:1-2a

READING Peter 5

SCRIPTURE John 21:25

READING Encounter 6

REFRAIN 635 Laudate Dominum ⁷ Jacques Berthier

Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum omnes gentes, alleluia! Laudate Dominum, laudate Dominum omnes gentes, alleluia!

THE OFFERING of OUR TITHES and GIFTS

(We offer our tithes and gifts to be part of God's purposes in the world, and we invite you to take part. You may bring forward your gifts and place them in the basket. You may always send gifts by mail or online.)

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye Heavenly Host: Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS of the PEOPLE, OUR 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;

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⁵ Lisa Debney, Fire and Bread.

⁶ Pat Bennett. Fire and Bread.

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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.

*HYMN 80 You Shall Go Out with Joy THE TREES OF THE FIELD

*MOMENT for REFLECTION

*CHARGE and BENEDICTION

*RESPONSE The Lord Bless You and Keep You 8 Peter C. Lutkin The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord lift His countenance upon you; and give you peace, and give you peace, the Lord make His face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you, be gracious, the Lord be gracious, gracious unto you. Amen.

POSTLUDE Chivalrous Virtues: Dignity William Zeitler

(For health reasons we are not greeting at the door)

GREETERS: Laura Munz, Jeoff Molcan <u>USHERS</u>: Dave Thomas, *Lead Usher*

Mark Adelson, Brad Smith, Security Ushers

SOUND ENGINEERS: Dan Direen, Brent Nord

VIDEO ENGINEER: James Welte

CAMERA OPERATORS: Kevin Lamb, Lynn Usher

REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK
Ann Aguilera, Ruth Alford, Marianna Fowles
Elders: Jeanne Clark, Susan Skoglund, Alex Smith
Deacons: Chris Wright-Thomas, Dan Direen, Robin Edwards

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This Weeks' Birthdays

Apr 16 Marilyn Karnig Beverly Snell

Apr 18 Michelle Lea Babcock

Don Dudley Oliver Lamb

Apr 20 Cliff Cummings

Joseph Ramirez

SAVE THE DATE. On **Sunday April 23, 2023** First Presbyterian will be hosting our annual **Blood Drive** in association with LifeStream. Blood donations are critically needed and **WE CAN HELP**. More information will be forthcoming. Remember, Sunday April 23!!

VOLUNTEER FOR HOSPITALITY. We have returned to serving coffee and tea and donuts for coffee hour after church, but we need volunteers to pick up the donuts, set up, serve and clean up. If you can help out with any of the tasks for this important ministry, speak to Rick Rodriguez or Dave Thomas. Whether you want to do this once a month or once a year, your help is appreciated!

\A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR KAY GUSTAFSON WEBSTER will be held on June 10th at St. Mark's Presbyterian Church, Newport Beach, CA at 11:00 a.m. The church is located at 2200 San Joaquin Hills Road. Kay was the attorney for many of the Presbyteries and churches in our Synod, and the wife of our former interim pastor, Curtis Webster, currently pastor of Westminster Presbyterian, Ontario.

More News and Announcements are available in your Friday *Keeping in Touch* emails. If you are not receiving these, and you would like to, contact Mimi in the church office.

The Music Box

There's a lovely story about Jesus and Peter after the resurrection that has a subtlety lacking in English translations.

In the story, Jesus is talking to Peter:

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs."

He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep."

He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" and he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep.

First of all, it's a fairly standard understanding of this passage that when Jesus asks him 'Do you love me' three times, He's alluding to Peter denying him three times.

'Love' appears 10 times in this story, but — here's the kicker — it's not the same 'love' throughout the story! You'll recall 'AGAPĒ-love' — love as commitment, action, even (especially) when it isn't fun, and 'PHILIA-love' — love as warm feeling, friendship, companionship. So here's the same story, but making the distinction clear by indicating when the Text uses AGAPĒ-love vs. PHILIA-love:

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you AGAPĒ-love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I PHILIA-love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs."

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When Jesus asks Peter: "Do you AGAPĒ-love" me, of course Peter can't say yes. He had previously said he would die for Jesus, yet, when it came right down to it, he denied him. Three times. Peter's own actions revealed to Peter himself that he didn't AGAPĒ Jesus like he thought he did. How utterly horrified he must have been! So, when Jesus asks him, "Do you AGAPĒ-love me?", how desolately he must have replied (in so many words) "Well, apparently I only PHILIA-love you."

And what's Jesus answer to Peter's desolation? "Get to work!"

--William Zeitler