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Order of Worship April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday

PRELUDE

Barbara Banaian, Jon Tufte, Jullian Euteneuer

EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor Darin

He is risen!

He is risen, indeed!

INTROIT

Jesus Loves Me

Children's Bell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Darin

The stone has been rolled away.

The grave clothes are lying in a heap.

The body is gone.

Mary's weeping is halted by the man's questions:

Why are you crying?

Who is it you are looking for?

Let us proclaim with Mary:

We have seen the Lord!

Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen Indeed!

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

No. 232

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rhonda Siltman

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Rhonda Siltman

Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit, we have been raised from the waters of baptism to share in your glorious resurrection. Yet we have not lived as Easter people. We are unsure of your promise, confused about your will, and afraid in the face of danger. Forgive us our sin and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(Silence for Individual examination)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Rhonda Siltman

As we wait that great and glorious day, we rejoice in the good news of the gospel:

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Pastor Darin

The grace and peace of the risen Christ be with you all.

And also with you.

ANTHEM

Easter Song

Chancel Choir and Ring! Bell Quartet

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

Pastor Darin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rhonda Siltman

GOSPEL LESSON

John 20 :1-18

Rhonda Siltman

¹Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus’s head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed, ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb, ¹² and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, “Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord,” and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“They Did Not Understand”

Pastor Darin

*HYMN

The Day of Resurrection!

No. 233 vs 1 & 3

(Chancel Choir will start, Congregation will be directed in)

WE GIVE OUR OFFERINGS

Invitation to Give

Announcements

Special Music

Prayer of Dedication



Rhonda Siltman

Pastor Darin

Jon Tufte

Rhonda Siltman

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor Darin/Rhonda Siltman

*(**Children, come forward and grab two percussion instruments and give one to someone in the pews. Play your instrument with the last hymn. Please return all instruments to the basket as you leave the sanctuary.)*

*HYMN

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

No. 248

*BENEDICTION

Pastor Darin

*POSTLUDE

Thine Is the Glory

No. 238

*Indicates to stand in body or spirit

A special thank you this morning to all of the musicians who participated today! Thank you for your time, sharing your talents, and your amazing attitude and commitment to the Music Programs here at First Presbyterian Church. Blessings!!!! ~ Jullian

Easter Sunday Musicians:	
Barbara Banaian	Piano
Chancel Choir	
Children's Bell Choir	
Brent Legg	Trumpet
Ring! Bell Choir	
Jon Tufte	Organ, piano
Connor Warnke	Timpani
Jullian Euteneuer	Music Director, piano

First Presbyterian Church Happenings

Serving Us Today (Apr 20)

Rev. Darin Seaman (Pastor), Rhonda Siltman (Worship Leader), Randy Hammond, Lynn Rae Olson, Dan Owen, Bailey Seaman (Ushers), Betty Payne (Greeter), Lori Smith, Ariel Yu (Nursery), Barbara Banaian, Chancel Choir, Children's Bell Choir, Brent Legg, Ring! Bell Choir, Connor Warnke, Jon Tufte, Jullian Euteneuer (Musicians), Jay Espelien, John Scott, Karen Ondracek (Audio), Norm Seehusen (Equal Exchange),

Kids are welcome during worship. We have Faithful Friends—an area just off the sanctuary for younger children who want to remain with their families but find it difficult to sit for the service. Kids' bags are also provided for help with children sitting in the pews. A nursery is provided for children under four.

Hearing devices are available from the sound desk.

We collect an **offering** each week. The offering, collected before and after worship, can be dropped in an offering plate located at the front and back of our sanctuary. You may also use the QR reader above.

The worship service is **livestreamed** on YouTube. You can join us again online or in person.

Name tags are provided in the pew rack in front of you.

Additional **Parking** is located on 4th Avenue side of the Church , The “back” entrance is open.

Calendar

Mon., April 21 - OFFICE CLOSED

6:30 pm - Session Meeting

7:00 pm - Focus on Recovery Group

Tues., April 22

9:00 am - Men's Bible Study

5:30 pm - LowerTown Project Rehearsal

Wed., April 23

9:15 am - Women's Bible Study

2:00 pm - Online Prayer Group

4:30 pm - Chancel Choir

6:00 pm - Ring! Bell Choir

Thur., April 24

2:00 pm - Closer Walk Men's Rehearsal

Fri., April 25

7:00 am - Men's Bible Study

Sat., April 26

9:00 am - Spring Cleanup at Church

Sun., April 27

9:00 am - Sunday School

10:00 am - Worship

Easter Flowers adorning the sanctuary given by:

Al & Doug Jergenson In memory of Jeri Jergenson and Tessa Jergenson

Betty Vigen In memory of Warren Vigen

Don & Arlene Casey

Donna Amore In memory of son, Mark

Peter & Nancy Fribley In memory of departed loved ones

Carole & John Pike In memory of Jennie Pike

Lois Buchin In memory of George Buchin

Richard Lawrence &
Dorothy Paskvan In memory of our Moms: Hazel and Margaret

Mark Scholer & Connie
Sandmann In memory of both sets of parents

Norm Seehusen In memory of Sharon and Cornell

Sarah Dorn In memory of Richard Dorn

Steven & Barb Isaacson In memory of Lowell, Myrtle Qualley, Cliff, Phyllis Isaacson
and Catrina Serna

John & Patty Scott Ellsworth and Ada Scott and John Munsinger

Brenda & Jay Espelien In memory of Dad, Ed Wilson and in honor of Alan and Adella
Espelien

Jim Johnson In memory of wife - Marilyn B. Johnson

Ruby & Larry Olson

Grayson & Lynn Osteraas In memory of Bruce Davis



First Presbyterian Church Happenings

Easter Morning Breakfast (April 20)

To-Go orders will be ready to pick up after Service for those that had preordered. Thank you to everyone that help to cook, serve and clean-up. Happy Easter!

One Great Hour of Sharing (April 20)

Today ends our One Great Hour of Sharing drive, thank you to all that have donated to help support this effort. Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing supports efforts to relieve hunger through the Presbyterian Hunger Program, promote development through the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and assist in areas of disaster through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. All three programs work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.

Ken Wong Memorial Service (April 26)

Saturday, April 26th a Service will be held online for Ken Wong at 10:00 am. You can watch the service live on the following websites: Edmontonjournal.com or Postmedia.com

Spring Cleanup (April 26)

Join us next Saturday at 9:00 am for our spring cleanup outside the church. Bring a pair of gloves and hoe/rake. A light lunch will be served.

First Friday Concert (May 2)

Guitarist Charlie Parr joins us at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary. Tickets on sale at granitecityfolk.org.

Spring Luncheon and Style Show (May 10)

Mark your Calendars! The Spring Luncheon and Style Show will be on May 10th. Preorders will be available after Sunday, April 27th. Limited in-person seating will be available for \$20, and To-go Packs for \$15. All Proceeds will go to Anna Marie's Alliance. Contact Brenda Espelien at 320-291-5084.

Growing in Faith?

Join us for Bible studies and prayer. The men's Bible studies meet at 9:00 am on Tuesdays and 7:00 am on Fridays. The women's Bible study meets at 9:15 am on Wednesdays. The online prayer group meets at 2:00 pm on Wednesdays.

Flowers

If you purchased Easter flowers for today's worship service, please take them home with you today. Thank you for sharing with us!