

First Presbyterian Church of Naples

*In the Heart of Naples with the Love of God:
we worship, we love, we grow, we serve*



Resurrection, Donald Jackson

Easter Sunday

April 9, 2023

8:30 & 10:15 a.m.

Let us quiet our hearts, minds, and voices for the beginning of worship.
At this time, please silence all cell phones.

The Prelude

NAPLES CHAMBER BRASS

THE TIME OF GATHERING

*Easter Acclamation and Call to Worship

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: The power of life has overcome the power of death.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: The grace of love has conquered evil.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: The light of the world has dispersed the darkness.

People: Hallelujah!

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

A TIME FOR PRAISE AND CONFESSION

*Hymn of Praise #232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

1. *Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!*
2. *Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!*
3. *But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!*
4. *Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia*

Call to Confession

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 ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace; we abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

A Moment for Silent Personal Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: Hear the good news! All of us, like sheep, have gone astray, but now we have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Receive God's forgiveness and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God.

*Gloria Patri #580

GREATOREX

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen! Amen!

*Please stand if able

THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

8:30 A.M. PATTY RUTZLER

10:15 A.M. DAVID WITMAN

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

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Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Choral Response

Easter Fanfare

E. E. FERGUSON

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Christ, the Lord is risen from the tomb! Alleluia!

Second Reading

John 20:1-18

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Early 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. ²So 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." ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and 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. ¹³They 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." ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus 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." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to 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.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Running on Easter

REV. CRAIG GOODRICH

*Affirmation of Faith (*The Nicene Creed*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Prayers of the People and 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

The Offertory

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

PAUL LEDDINGTON WRIGHT

*The Doxology

***All: 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 Dedication

GOING FORTH

*Hymn of Commitment #238

Thine Is the Glory

MACCABEUS

1. *Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.*

*Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.*

2. *Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. (Refrain)*

3. *No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)*

*Charge and Benediction

Hallelujah Chorus (Messiah)

G. F. HANDEL

Hallelujah, for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah.

Postlude

Toccata (Symphonie V)

CHARLES-MARIE WIDOR

In The Service

Naples Chamber Brass

Marc Reese, trumpet; Ethan Bensdorf, trumpet;
Tracy Leonard, horn; Michael Zion, trombone; Aaron McCalla, tuba

Flower Dedication

The Chancel flowers are given by Cindy Esler in loving memory of her grandfather who first brought her to this wonderful church.

Greeters

8:30 a.m. Pat Collins, Cindy Esler, Margaret and Paul Green, Tanya Maxwell, Melissa and Bill McClayton

10:15 a.m. Linda and Carleton Cleveland, Cindy Esler, Janeen and Steve McClure, Ali Norris, Betty Plum

Ushers

8:30 a.m. Jack Marsh (head usher), Barb Davis, Jacque Foust, Dorothy Gomori, Sylvia Marsh, Karen Parker, Mark Speake

10:15 a.m. Bill Kearney (head usher), Cynthia Anderson, Ned Camuti, Carleton Cleveland, Jacque Foust, Sharlene Kearney, Joan and Al Lubrano, Dottie Morse, Lee Ryan, Deb Streamer

In Sympathy

We express our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of
Jon Myers who died on April 4, 2023

and

Christine King who died on April 4, 2023
Please keep their families in your prayers.

Prayer List

In an effort to keep the prayer list current, names will remain on the prayer list for four weeks, unless we are notified otherwise. If you wish for a name to be included, please contact the church office.

Jean Abbott

*Howard Anker

*Linda Arsenault

Daryl Berhardy

Joe M. Brady

Kerin Clark

*Norma Dallessandro

*Pam Fisher

David Frette

*Margaret Green

*Larry Hibbett

Bonnie James

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*Marge Martin

*Gene McCree

Brenda McKinney

Leslie Moore

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George Washburn

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Stephen Ministers/care
receivers

Missionary-Honduras
Dorie Hjalmarson

Medical Missionary-
Guatemala
Dr. Mark Speake

Central Presbyterian
Reformed Church
(Matanzas, Cuba)

Hospital Ministry

Will you be hospitalized or know of someone in the congregation who is? Please contact our Assistant for Caring Ministries, Susan Pratt, at susanp@fpcnaples.org. Also, please remember to let the hospital know that you are a member of First Presbyterian Church of Naples.

Easter Lily Dedications

*Joan and Richard Banko in honor of their children, Debra Dunne and David Banko
Audra and Berne Barton in honor of Patricia and Bill Barton
Barbara and Richard Beach in memory of their parents
Dale Chlumsky in memory of his parents and grandparents
Pat Collins in memory of Bob Collins
George H. Craig in memory of Susan D. Craig
Barbara Davis
Cheryl and Mike Del Campo in memory of James Jaeschke
Janette and Fran Engelhardt in memory of Janette's sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Gerry
Bass and in memory of Fran's sister and brothers-in-law, Irma and Roy Bigham and Kenneth Wild
Janette and Fran Engelhardt in memory of Janette's parents, Marjorie and David Keene and
Fran's parents, Lorraine and Adam Engelhardt
Cindy Esler in memory of a wonderful husband, father and grandfather, Bob Esler
Cindy Esler in memory of her parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles
Cindy Esler in honor of the special caring ministers and staff of the church! We are blessed!
Jan and Fred Garner in honor of their children and grandchildren
Carmela Gilbertsen in loving memory of Bob Gilbertsen
Dorothy, Cindy, Karen and Ken in memory of Charles "Chuck" Gomori
Shirley Hagerson in honor of her children and grandchildren
Roni Haggart and Chuck Work in memory of their parents and Roni's brother, Doug
Carleen and Brad Hoffman in loving memory of Harvey "Bud" Hoffman
Carleen and Brad Hoffman in loving memory of Dr. Harvey and Lola Hoffman
Carleen and Brad Hoffman in loving memory of Rev. James and Virginia Benes
Sherry Hoffman in memory of Rev. and Mrs. James W. Benes and Rev. and Mrs. H.B. Hoffman
Sherry Hoffman in memory of Harvey "Bud" Hoffman
Jane and Jay Holbrook in honor of Tim, Leslie, Josh and Ashley
Jane and Jay Holbrook in honor of their brothers and sisters-in-law
Jane and Jay Holbrook in memory of their parents
Nancy Kay and family in memory of John Kay
Susan Kogan in memory of James W. and Sarah U. Black and Steven S. Kogan
Alma and Jack Korbey for a special intention
Kathleen Law in memory of Louise Daub
Mariellen Lemasters in honor and memory of loved ones
Brenda and Pete Lilly in memory of Brenda's parents, Eileen and Everett Ernst
Brenda and Pete Lilly in memory of Pete's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Wallace B. Lilly
Sara and Nick Linn in memory of their loving parents
Scott Macdonough in memory of Gladys Macdonough
Mary and Walt McCarthy and the Kempers family in memory of Marcia Kempers
Lois and Gene Miller in honor of Henry Worf
Sarah and Bret Miller in honor of loved ones, near and far and in gratitude for all and to the glory- NEW LIFE
Sherry and David Mills in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mills and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Dietz
Margee Minnis in memory of her husband, Jim
Charles, Kathy and Sarah Mundt in loving memory of Ryan Mundt. We will love you always.
Sarah Nichols in honor of Gloria and Thomas Smith
Pat Nordbrock in honor of Central Presbyterian Church of Matanzas, FPCN's partner church in Cuba
Pat Nordbrock in honor of FPCN's amazing, gifted church staff
Susan Nybo and Kent Koolen in memory of Donald DuBeau
Susan Nybo and Kent Koolen in memory of Ron Gambish
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Linda and John Rader in memory and honor of loved ones
Jane and Bruce Rogers in memory of Beth and Ed Rogers*

*Lee Ryan in memory of Dennis Ryan
Molly and Jim Singerling in honor of their family and friends
Audrey Smith and Doug Gibbens in memory of their parents, Doris and Albert Smith and
Lucille and Evan Gibbens
Kim and Steve Smith in honor of Lucy A. Smith
Kim and Steve Smith in memory of David L. Smith
Kim and Steve Smith in memory of LaRue Oliphant
Kim and Steve Smith in memory of Tom Oliphant
John Smith II in memory of Hal L. and Julia T. Smith
Susan Pierson Sonderby in memory of Peter R. Sonderby
The Stuart, Goodier and Koonce families in honor of Janet and Calvin Koonce
Jack Tiller in memory of Joyce Tiller
Harriet J. Toadvine in memory of Stephen P. Toadvine III
Jane and Tom Woodruff in memory of Drew C. Woodruff, their Mom, Dad, Mike, Wilma, and
Jane D. Woodruff*

News and Events

Children and Youth

Children are invited to join the congregation for our Easter Sunday service. The Wiggle Room, adjacent to the Narthex, is available for our young children and their parents. Activity bags are available at our doors -please ask an usher if you cannot locate them. The bags can also be used for the Easter egg hunt.

An **Easter Egg Hunt** will be held following the 10:15 a.m. service on the north lawn next to the preschool playground – please join us! Take pictures with the Easter Bunny and refreshments will be available.

Office Hours - The Church office and Preschool will be closed on Monday, April 10.

Feed the 5,000

This month our donations will help replenish the food pantry of Helps Outreach. Food lists of items requested will be handed out following the service today. Contributions will be collected next Sunday. Checks may be made payable to "First Presbyterian Church" with the memo marked "Feed the 5,000" or online at www.fpcnaples.org/give. Please select "Feed 5,000" fund.

Women's Ministry Bible Study

The Bible Study will NOT be held tomorrow, April 10. Please join us on April 17. For more information, please contact Janeen McClure at jrmc@airmclure.com.

Heading North?

If you are heading north for the summer, please be sure to let us know by checking the box on the Friendship Pad, sending an e-mail or calling the office. And remember to follow us on our website, Facebook page and YouTube channel. Thank you for spending your winter months with us. We wish you safe travels.

Seekers and Joiners Class

Come and See! Learn more about this congregation, our faith and how we worship, love, grow and serve in the heart of Naples with the love of God, please join us for our Seekers and Joiners class on Sunday, April 16 following the 10:15 a.m. worship service in the Parlor. Informational packets are available at the class or you may pick one up at the exit doors or in Spencer Hall. You may register by calling the church office 239.262.1311 or emailing Sandy Knight at sandyk@fpcnaples.org.

Wednesday Morning Men: Faith and Fellowship

Gather with us on Wednesday, April 19 at 8 a.m. for coffee, pastries and fellowship. We will continue with the topic of "Aging, Are We Prepared?" to include "What role does the church play?" Small group discussions will be followed with sharing of the summaries of these discussions. For more information and questions, please contact Bill Kearney at 239.348.2871 or skearney239@comcast.net.

Women of the Way Spring Study

ALL women are invited to the **WOW Spring Study** on Thursdays, April 27-May 25; 9-11 a.m. in Spencer Hall (Zoom option available). We'll cover the last four chapters of "**The Spirit-Led Heart: Living a Life of Love and Faith without Borders**". Sign-up in Spencer Hall on April 16 and 23 or online at fpcwomen2017@gmail.com. Please include your name, email or phone number; whether you need a study book; if you'll participate in-person or by Zoom. Books can be purchased from Amazon or available in Spencer Hall-\$9.50. Questions? Contact Andie Goodrich at 404.317.5850 or andie.goodrich@gmail.com.

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