

## WELCOME VISITORS!

It is our hope that you will feel invited, welcomed, and loved as you worship with us! First Presbyterian Church is a family of faith committed to inviting and welcoming everyone into God's amazing love! For information, visit us on our website at: [FPCOH.org](http://FPCOH.org)

Facebook Live! – Join us each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for our labyrinth walk with Pastor Kennedy.

### Each Sunday Morning:

9:00 a.m. – Prayer on the Patio in-person with Pastor Kennedy

10:15 a.m. – In-person & Live Streaming of Worship Service

### Each Wednesday Evening:

5:00 p.m. – Zoom meeting Bible Study and prayer time

Look for an email on Wednesdays with the zoom link.

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# IF THE TOMB IS EMPTY

— E A S T E R S U N D A Y —

A P R I L 9<sup>TH</sup> 2023

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Welcome to our Worship Service!  
We are so glad you are here!

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## WELCOME & CALL TO REFLECTION

**PRELUDE – All Hail the Risen King!** Derek K. Hakes

The Bell Choir: Luann Myers, Suzi Wolfe, Aaron Charles-Humphrey,  
Windy Johnston, Mary Silvestro and Brigitte Worman

## PRAYER OF TRANSFORMATION

**HYMN – Jesus Christ Is Risen Today** Hymn #123

*Verses 1 – 4*

## PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

### A TIME OF SILENCE

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**Because He Lives**

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.

## THE NEWS OF THE COMMUNITY

**The Bell Choir – Classical Easter** Michael Helman

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD** Kennedy M. McGowan

If the Tomb is Empty

**SCRIPTURE READING – John 20:11-18, John 21:9-19 (NRSV)**

– See insert –

**THE LORD’S PRAYER – Debtors version**

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.  
FORGIVE US OUR DEBTS, AS WE FORGIVE OUR DEBTORS.  
LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION.  
BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.  
FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,  
THE POWER AND THE GLORY FOREVER.  
AMEN.

**Offertory – I Know that My Redeemer Liveth** G.F. Handel

Jemara Aviton, soloist

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**OFFERING OF PRAYER** Adapted from Brother Roger of Taizé, 1915-2005

If you were not risen, Lord Christ, to whom would we go to discover  
a radiance of the face of God? If you were not risen, we would not be  
together seeking your communion. We would not find in your presence,  
forgiveness, wellspring of a new beginning. If you were not risen,  
where would we draw the energy for following you right to the end  
of our existence, to choose you again and anew. Thank you, Jesus, for  
conquering it all, even death. In your name we pray. Amen.

**HYMN – The Day of Resurrection** Hymn #118

*Verses 1 – 3*

## CHARGE AND BLESSING

**POSTLUDE – Fantasy: Easter Hymn** William H. Harris



## SCRIPTURE READING – John 20:11-18, John 21:9-19 (NRSV)

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb,<sup>12</sup> 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.<sup>13</sup> 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.”<sup>14</sup> When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus.<sup>15</sup> 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.”<sup>16</sup> Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher).<sup>17</sup> 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.’”<sup>18</sup> 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. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread....<sup>10</sup> Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.”<sup>11</sup> So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them, and though there were so many, the net was not torn.<sup>12</sup> Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, “Who are you?” because they knew it was the Lord.<sup>13</sup> Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them and did the same with the fish.<sup>14</sup> This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. 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.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my lambs.”<sup>16</sup> A second time he said to him, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Tend my sheep.”<sup>17</sup> He said to him the third time, “Simon son of John, do you love me?” Peter felt hurt 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.”<sup>18</sup> Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go.”<sup>19</sup> (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, “Follow me.”

## Upcoming Events

### First Friday Cinco De Mayo Fiesta

May 05, 2023 5:30 PM

Join us for our next First Friday event.

More details coming soon!

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