

# EASTER SUNDAY

April 17, 2022

\*Congregation May Stand

10:30 a.m. Worship



\*During the first hymn, congregants are invited to come forward and place a flower on the cross.

**Prelude** Trumpet Tune on “*Lyra Davidica*” David Lasky  
*In quiet reflection, let us turn our thoughts toward worship of Almighty God.*

**Welcome and Announcements** Tom Conner

**Call to Worship** Acts 10:36-43

**Invocation**

**\*Hymn** “*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*” Page #234

**\*Responsive Reading** 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

**Leader:** If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

**People:** **But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.**

**Leader:** For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being;

**People:** **for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.**

**Leader:** But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at His coming those who belong to Christ.

**People:** **Then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after He has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power.**

**Leader:** For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet.

**All:** **The last enemy to be destroyed is death.**

**Prayer of Confession**

*(unison)*

**Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for His sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of Your holy name.**

**Silent Confession** *(continue in silent prayer)* ....Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon**

**\*The Gloria Patri** Page #805

**Children’s Sermon** “*The Resurrection and the Life*” Pastor Scott Cress

**First Scripture Lesson** Isaiah 65:17-25 Pew Bible Page #644

**Anthem** “*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing*” Melchior Vulpius

Second Scripture Lesson                      Mark 16:1-8                      Pew Bible Page #886

Sermon                      “Trembling and Bewildered”                      Pastor Scott Cress

\*Hymn                      “Christ Arose”                      Page #235

\*Affirmation of Faith                      The Nicene Creed                      Page #15

**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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Our Tithes and Offerings    “O Sons and Daughters of the King”    Michael Burkhardt

\*The Doxology                      Page #809

\*Prayer of Dedication

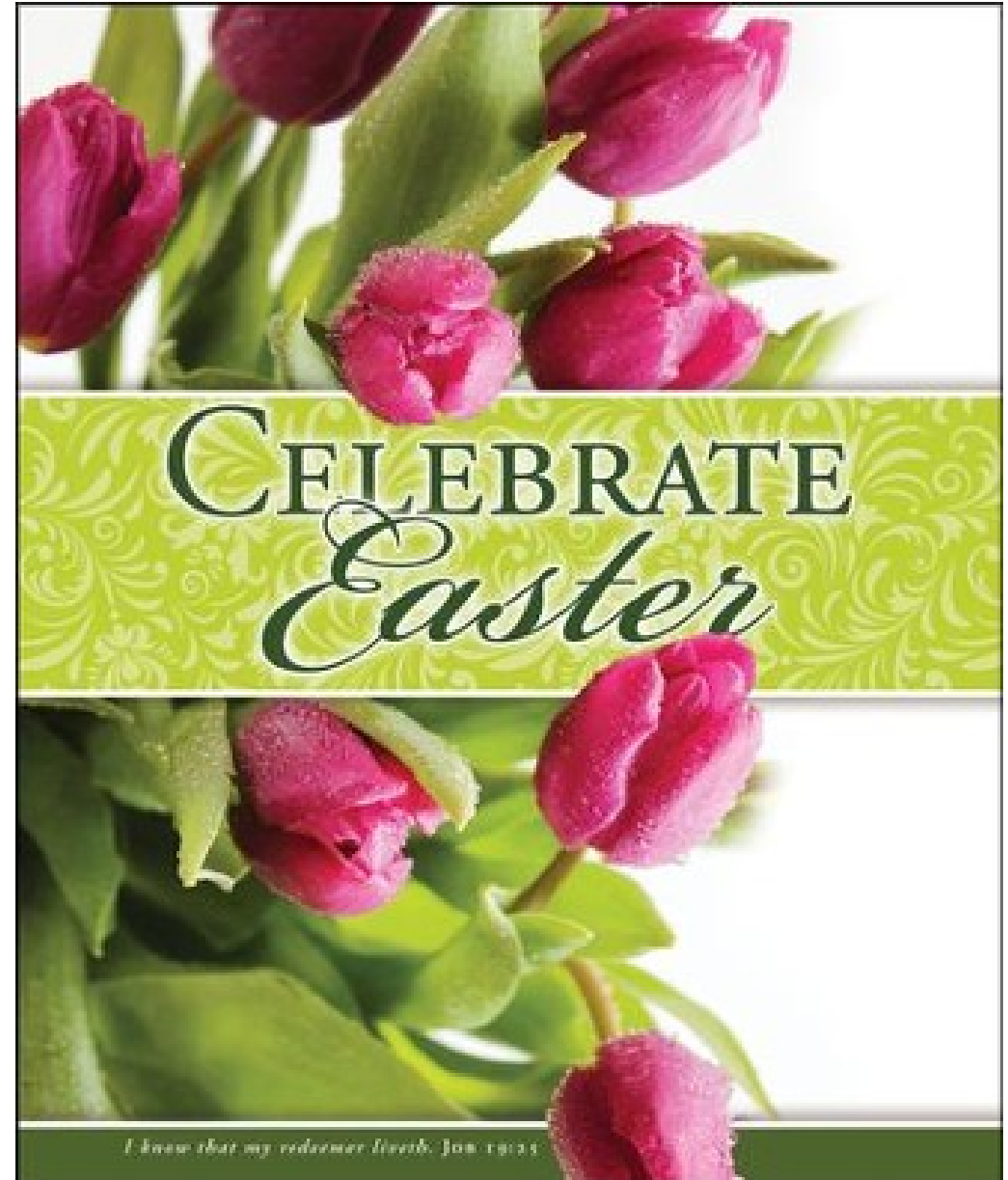
\*Hymn                      “The Day of Resurrection”                      Page #247

\*Benediction

Postlude                      “Carillon Francais”                      Craig Penfield

**Christ is Risen!  
He is risen, indeed!**

# ***The First Presbyterian Church***



***Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022***

# CHURCH CALENDAR



## Today, April 17

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday, School, Classrooms
- 10:20 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

## Monday, April 18

- 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Hillsdale Classical School, Classrooms
- 4:00 p.m. Finance Meeting, Anniversary Room
- 7:00 p.m. Arts Chorale Practice, Fellowship Hall

## Tuesday, April 19

- 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Hillsdale Classical School, Classrooms
- 1:00 p.m. Building & Grounds Meeting, Anniversary Room

## Wednesday, April 20

- 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Hillsdale Classical School, Classrooms
- 6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Bible Study, Pastor's Study & Zoom

## Thursday, April 21

- 10:00 a.m. Fellowship Meeting, Anniversary Room
- 7:00 p.m. Session Meeting, Anniversary Room

## Friday, April 22

## Saturday, April 23

## Next Sunday, April 24

- 8:30 a.m. Choir Practice, Sanctuary
- 9:40 a.m. Sunday, School, Classrooms
- 10:20 a.m. Pre-Service Prayer, Chapel
- 10:30 a.m. Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 11:30 a.m. Coffee Fellowship, Fellowship Hall

# WELCOME

Today is Easter Sunday, and a great time to celebrate the very heart of our Christian faith, namely that Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came not to condemn but to save the world, and that after His death on our behalf, He, the Author of Life, defeated death in His resurrection and now offers each of us that Life as well. Welcome, one and all, to worship!

**A SPECIAL WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS** worshiping with us this morning. We ask that you please include your name and address when filling out the Friendship Pads and pass the pad along the pew so others may do the same. After everyone has registered, send the pad back along the pew so you can learn the names of those sitting with you. Attendance Last Sunday: 70

<b>PASTOR:</b>	Rev. Scott Cress
<b>CHOIR/ORGANIST:</b>	Dean James
<b>WORSHIP LEADER:</b>	Tom Conner
<b>BUILDING CLOSER:</b>	Bob Roberts
<b>DEACON:</b>	Vida Long
<b>USHERS:</b>	James Brandon, Marty Games, and Carol Ringenberg

## PRAYER REQUESTS:

**CONTINUING PRAYER REQUESTS:** Earla & Curt Carver, John Long, Phil Hoffman, Charlie Sharp, Carissa Benavides, Jack Bowles (*Cousin J.Long*), Charles Cress (*Pastor's Father*), Kara Dietrich, Jim Elliott (*Pastor's friend*), Brynn Ferguson, Melinda Foulke-Beckwith, Kevin & Bridget Fowler (*Parents B.Portteus*), Maxine & George Gaffney (*Friends B.Kneen*), Tim Gordon (*Cousin M.Rollins*), Bill Gunn (*Brother B.Lipps*), Ashley Hightower, JB Jenkins (*Irma's Brother-in-law*), Robert Jones (*Irma's Husband*), Kurt Leutheuser (*Son E.Leutheuser*), Alexis Kozub, Ann Mardis (*Friend C.Ringenberg*), Jon Patten (*Grandson Becky & Gregg Patten*), Nita Phillips (*Friend L.Fogarty*), Jackie Schaefer (*Friend Taylors*), Joanne Rollins (*Marsha's Sister-in-law*), Sherri Selmer (*Friend Cress Family*), Katherine Somerville, Janna Witt (*Lipps' daughter*), Laura VanWormer (*Friend L.Fogarty*), and Marsha Green-Ziegler (*Sister S.Downey*) **PRAY FOR MILITARY:** LT. Andrea Cornett (*USN*), Dorion Duby (*National Guard—Husband Elayna*), Spencer Eves (*USNA-Grandson Judy & Ron Adams*); LT. Col. Garron Garn (*US Marines*), LT. Zachary Laden (*US Navy, Grandson Taylors*), Captain Ben Larson (*National Guard--Grandson C.Dear*); Major Andrew Osborn (*Army, Nephew B.Kneen*), Davis Regalado (*USMC-Friend J.Benzing*); LT. JG Sydney Rouble (*USN RN—Granddaughter Bishers*); **PRAY FOR MISSIONS:** Lingap Foundation, Outreach Foundation, and Samaritan's Purse; **PRAY FOR OUR SHUT-INS:**

Mary Bearman (*home*), Mary Rose Dryer (*home*), Onalee Foulke (*Country Living*), Lois James (*Medical Care*), Ellie Leutheuser (*Drews Village Green Rm 19*), and Kit Tamblyn (*home*)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**TODAY, THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS** will be included as part of this morning's service! For those of you who have never seen this done, **during the first hymn, the congregation comes forward and places a flower** on the wooden cross. In a short period of time the Cross becomes beautiful, new and alive in celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ!

**BUILDING & GROUNDS MEETING (April 19):** The Building & Grounds Committee is meeting this Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 1 PM in the Anniversary Room.

**EASTER OFFERING:** All Easter Offering envelopes and loose offerings collected today will be given to the Salvation Army for their work to help the many in need within our community. Easter Offering envelopes will be accepted throughout April.

**FELLOWSHIP MEETING (April 21):** The Fellowship Committee is meeting this Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 10 AM in the Anniversary Room.

**FOOD COLLECTION: YOU CAN HELP FEED THOSE IN NEED!** The Mission Committee continues a weekly food collection of perishable and non-perishable items that will be given to the Salvation Army. Why wait when the need is great and you can help today? Help feed the hungry by filling the collection bins inside the parking lot entrance

doors with your donations. We are so incredibly grateful for all that you give and thank you!

**MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY (April 20):** Join us for Wednesday evening study of John's Gospel. The fun begins at 6:30 PM. You may participate in-person in the Pastor's study (*please RSVP*) or live on Zoom. Check [fpchillsdale.org](http://fpchillsdale.org) for the Zoom info.

**PASTOR SCOTT WILL BE CELEBRATING HIS BIRTHDAY** this week on Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Be sure to share your good wishes with him!

**SAVE THE DATE (May 4)!** Its spring and the flowers are at full bloom! Like every year, we are having a spring luncheon and meeting of the Ladies Society on Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 12 Noon. All are welcome to come share this time of fellowship. Save the date and come as you are!

**SESSION MEETING (April 21):** Session will hold its regularly scheduled meeting, Thursday, April 21<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM in the Anniversary Room. Please make plans to attend.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Please join us for Sunday school at 9:40 a.m. on Sunday mornings. There are classes for everyone! We hope to see you in Sunday School!

**THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** will be held on **Sunday, May 1, 2022** to receive reports/records for the past year and to take any appropriate actions. The meeting will be in Fellowship Hall, immediately following lunch, which follows worship. Please make plans to attend!

**THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2021** is available to everyone on the table in the Alcove. It contains highlights of the preceding year, reports of the Committees, and financial reports. Hopefully it has effectively summarized where we've been as a congregation and that you will be pleased by its content.

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**Dear Church Family,**

**Friends are those rare people who ask how we are and then wait to hear the answer. Thanking God that all my tests came back negative! Grateful for your warm hugs and unending prayers, too!**

**~Vida Long**