



April 16, 2017 10:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday

Prayer of Preparation

Risen One, come, meet me in the garden of my life.

Lure me into elation.

Revive my silent hope.

Coax my dormant dreams.

Rise up my neglected gratitude.

Entice my tired enthusiasm.

Give life to my faltering relationships.

Roll back the stone of my indifference.

Unwrap the deadness in my spiritual life.

Impart heartiness in my work.

Risen One . . .

Awaken me! Awaken me!

Joyce Rupp

We Enter Into God's Presence

**Please stand, as able*

Prelude

Lift High the Cross (Crucifer)

arr. Joel Raney

Carolee Caylor, piano & Shari Fiore, organ

Removal of the Crown of Thorns

Liturgist: Heaven laughs now for this crown we found inadequate to kill love.

Christ is risen! Christ is risen! Christ is risen!

Congregational response: He is risen indeed! He is risen indeed! He is risen indeed!

Procession of the Christ Candle

*Processional Hymn 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Welcome

Call to Worship (read responsively)

Annabel Shilson-Thomas

Risen Christ, when darkness overwhelms us

May your dawn beckon.

When grief torments us

May your peace enfold us.

When apathy stagnates us

May your challenge renew us.

When courage leaves us

May your spirit inspire us.

When despair grips us

May your hope restore us.

And when death threatens us

May your resurrection light lead us. Amen.

Confessing Our Separation from God (read in unison)

Gracious God, you have walked patiently with us throughout our Lenten journey. You have celebrated our successes and our growing understanding of your love; and you have mourned our failures and rejections of your healing mercies. This day, as we have gathered to celebrate the joy of Easter, let us remember that we are to become “Easter People”, hope-filled people . . . promise people . . . Resurrected people; people who know that what was thought to be impossible has been conquered. Forgive our doubts and fears. Fill us with your healing love and help us to become the disciples that you need to serve in this world. For we ask this in the name of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

Liturgist: Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed!

*Easter Acclamation 71

The First Song of Isaiah

Jack N. White

Pam Jusino, mezzo-soprano solo

Chancel Choir, Brass Ensemble, Handbells

Congregational refrain:

Surely, it is God who saves me; I will trust and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and God will be my Savior.

+++ *Latecomers may be seated at this time*

We Hear God's Word

Removal of the Stone

Liturgist: The stone which sealed the tomb was rolled away. Alleluia!
Christ is risen!

Congregational response: He is risen indeed!

Mindfulness Prayer

Not for children only

Gospel Lesson

John 20: 1 – 18

NT p. 114

Sermon

Practice Resurrection

Rev. Eddie Jusino

We Respond To God's Word

*Song of Affirmation of Faith 240 *Alleluia, Alleluia Give Thanks* (v. 1 & 2)

Joys & Hopes of the People of God & Lord's Prayer

Offering including One Great Hour of Sharing

On The Third Day

Allen Pote

Chancel Choir, Brass Ensemble, Handbells

Signing of the Friendship Registers

*Doxology 609

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of great gifts: This morning we give you praise, we give you glory,
we give you thanks! With resurrection humming in our hearts, our minds are
tuned to your song of peace! We joyfully present these gifts to you, a tangible
chorus of thanksgiving, a harmony of hope for your kingdom come! Amen.

(Carol Penner)

We Follow God's Word Into the World

The Truth of the Cross

Liturgist: The cross you see is an empty cross.

Jesus is not dead. He is risen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Congregational response: He is risen indeed!

*Hymn 236

The Strife Is O'er

* Blessing

*Congregational Response 591

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

* Passing of the Peace of the Resurrected Christ

Postlude

Toccata-Finale from Organ Symphony No. 5
Shari Fiore, organ with Brass Ensemble

CM Widor

Assisting in Worship

	April 16	April 23
Lector	Phil Maus	
Ushers	Jeff Ely Ellen Ely Alvine Cooper Bill Vincent	Ed Haas
Greeters		Betty & Bob Tell
Welcome Center	Sue Carlson	Sally Kirsten
Sunday Sextons	Dave Carlson Nancy & Ron Prieskorn	Rick Fuller

Thank you to the Brass Ensemble: for their enrichment of our worship service this morning. The ensemble includes:

David Vessella, trumpet
Gordon Seiler, euphonium
John Schmidt, trombone
Ethan Warner, trombone

Nicholas Atsalis, trumpet
Randy Edwards, tuba
Tom Haney, trombone

We hold in our prayers: names available in print version

Prayers for the grieving: names available in print version

Notice! There will be no Shepherding calls made this spring because the Caregiving Ministry Team is reorganizing this ministry. More information will be forthcoming.

One Great Hour of Sharing offering: One Great Hour of Sharing donations support ministries for disaster response, refugee assistance and resettlement, and community development that help people in our country and throughout the world find safe refuge, start new lives, and work together to strengthen their families and communities. Please use the envelopes in your box, in the pew racks, or write OGHS on the memo line of your check.

Installation Service for Pastor Eddie is April 30th: Join our church family as well as friends from the Presbytery of Detroit and our community for an Installation Worship Service on April 30, beginning at 3:30 pm. Immediately following the service, we will celebrate with a reception in Knox Fellowship Hall.

This service is organized by our metro area Presbytery and led by a Presbytery Installation Commission comprised of Teaching Elders (Pastors) and Ruling Elders. It completes the call process and formally marks the establishment of the pastoral relationship with our congregation and within the Presbytery (PC-USA Book of Order, G-2.0805). It also marks the dissolution of our Pastoral Nominating Committee.

We encourage you to attend this infrequent event in the life of the church – the sixth Installation of a senior pastor in the 62-year life of our congregation – and look forward to a wonderful afternoon!

Rebuilding Together Oakland County – Saturday, April 29, 2017

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- a One-Day Project on Saturday April 29, 2017

Work on a FPC Farmington sponsored house! Register today online at <http://rebuildingtogetheroaklandcounty.force.com>

- Complete “Volunteer Jobs”
- “City of Farmington Hills Rebuild Day 2017”

Questions? Contact House Captains:

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CROP Walk is May 7: The CROP Hunger walk brings our community together to assist hungry people at home and around the world. The money raised supports Church World Service work around the world in emergency response situations, as well as long term solutions, such as sustainable safe water supplies and food safety. Additionally, 25% of the money raised will go to local organizations; Neighborhood House, Baldwin Center, Salvation Army, Alexander’s Food Pantry and Yad Exra.

Help by walking or supporting walkers! Checks can be made to CWS CROP and will be collected at church on Sunday, April 23rd and 30th. New this year: you can go online at www.crophungerwalk.org/famingtonmi to make a donation anytime (click on Register, Donate, and donate to a team – Farmington 1st). Walking and sharing together with our community, we can help eradicate hunger and poverty in Oakland County and worldwide. Please join us by walking or donating!

This Week At First Presbyterian

Sunday, April 16 Easter

- 8:00 a.m. Easter worship service with communion
- 9:00 a.m. Easter brunch
- 10:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 6:00 p.m. Little Flock Bible Study

Monday, April 17 Easter Monday

- Church building and office closed
- 6:00 p.m. Piano lessons
- 7:00 p.m. Soul Stretch Yoga

Tuesday, April 18

- 8:30 a.m. Men's breakfast at Leo's Coney Island
- 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts
- 7:15 p.m. Lydia Circle

Wednesday, April 19

- 6:30 p.m. JOY Study Group
- 7:30 p.m. Session Meeting

Thursday, April 20

- 10:00 a.m. ESL
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

Friday, April 21

- 6:00 p.m. Little Flock Bible Study

Saturday, April 22

No events scheduled

Sunday, April 23 Reception of new members

- 9:00 a.m. Adult Christian Education
- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 10:20 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 11:20 a.m. PWCT
- 6:00 p.m. Little Flock Bible Study

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