# **The Order for Worship and Celebration**

**Easter Sunday** 

April 16, 2017 10:00 a.m.

**Preparing for God's Word** 

PRELUDE "Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven" Timothy Waugh

**Celebration Ringers** 

WELCOME

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

### **Gathering Around God's Word**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Leader: The tomb is empty!

People: Christ is Risen!

Leader: The anger of the crowds is gone.

People: Christ is Risen!

Leader: The time of grieving has ended.

People: Christ is Risen!

Leader: Violence, fear, and death have disappeared!

People: Christ is Risen!

Leader: Come, let us worship! Hallelujah!

People: Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!

\*PRAYER OF ADORATION

\*HYMN OF PRAISE "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" #232, Hymnal

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION (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, we remember that we are to become "Easter People," people of the Resurrection. Forgive our stubbornness and fear. Fill us with your healing love and help us to become disciples of hope that serve this world. (silent confession) Amen.

WORDS OF ASSURANCE: (Responsive)

Leader: Do not dwell on your sin any longer for Jesus has risen to save you. He has

risen to change us all and bind us together now.

People: Christ is risen! Thanks be to God!

\*RESPONSE *"Glory Be to the Father"* #581, Hymnal

PASSING THE PEACE (Please greet those around you.)

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

ANTHEM "In Thee is Gladness" Daniel Kallman

Sanctuary Choir

### **Hearing God's Word**

LESSON FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT Luke 24:1-12 (page 90, NT)

SERMON Rev. Amy Wiles

\*HYMN OF REFLECTION "I Danced in the Morning" #157, Hymnal

## Responding to God's Word

#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Sally Davis

Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical Version)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### 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.

BRINGING OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Offertory "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" Healey Willan

Karen Black, organ

\*DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION #606, Hymnal

**Going Out to Live God's Word** 

\*CLOSING HYMN "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" #248, Hymnal

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE "Allegro assai" from Sonata 1 Felix Mendelssohn

Karen Black, organ

\*Please stand if you are able

**A JOYOUS WELCOME TO YOU ALL!** We are here to celebrate the glorious victory of Christ over sin and death. Let us rejoice exuberantly and give God the glory. Hallelujah! The Lord lives and reigns. Forever and forever. If you are interested in learning more about First Presbyterian Church, please talk with Pastor Wiles or contact the Church Office.

HAVING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK: Abby McClain, Lee Platt and Bob Reisinger.

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY AND RECEPTION: Taemin and Miah Han will receive their American citizenship at a ceremony on Wednesday, April 19, at 1:30 p.m. at Maucker Ballroom on the UNI Campus. You are welcome to attend and show your support. The church family will gather for a reception for Taemin and Miah in Fellowship Hall immediately following the worship service on Sunday, April 30.

### **Congregational Ministries**

**TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Join Pastor Amy at Panera Bread in Waterloo **each Tuesday morning at 8:30 a.m.** for Bible study and conversation. The group discusses the text for the upcoming Sunday worship service. Come for some coffee and conversation. All are welcome!

ADULT FORUM & KOINONIA: Adult Forum and Koinonia do not meet this morning.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL: No Sunday School this morning.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP: No Youth Fellowship this morning.

**PRAYER AND PREPARATION:** You are invited to spend time in the chapel before and after worship services in prayer and meditation. Materials will be provided to guide your reflection.

CARE PACKAGES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS: Support the college students connected to our church with a little extra encouragement during finals. Our church will be sending fun care packages to help get through the end of the semester. If you wish to help, please visit the display in Calvin Hall and pick up a donation tag. All donations are due to the church TODAY. Thanks for your help.

**PRIME TIMERS:** The Prime Timers will meet on **Friday, April 21**, in Calvin Hall. Please bring a dish to share. Table service, rolls, and beverage will be provided. Our guest speaker, Tim Kuhlmann, will give a PowerPoint presentation on "The History of Waterloo Churches", including our own congregation. If you are not on a calling list, please contact Ann Sage (233-5878) by Tuesday, April 18.

**RECEPTION FOR CHAMBRAY BURK:** Chambray Burk has been teaching our kids in the Little Tykes Room for the past two years. Chambray will be moving to Des Moines at the end of the semester. **Her last day at First Presbyterian will be April 23.** We will be holding a reception during coffee hour that morning to express our thanks and say goodbye. Please feel free to bring a card of gratitude and encouragement for Chambray. We will definitely miss her!

# **Worship and Music Ministries**

**THANK YOU TO OUR GUEST ORGANIST:** A special Thank You to Dr. Karen Black for sharing her musical talents with us this morning.

**TODAY'S ACOLYTES:** Helena Mananga and Zach Pruis are this morning's acolytes.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR SPRING CONCERT: Our choirs have been working hard to prepare for our annual Spring Concert on Sunday afternoon, April 30, at 3:00 p.m. The concert will be performed by the Sanctuary Choir and Celebration Ringers with some guest vocalists, brass, percussion, double bass and Miah Han for piano and organ. The program will be music from early Baroque to contemporary jazz music. The concert is free and open to the public. A reception will follow the concert. We hope to see you there!

#### **Mission and Outreach Ministries**

**ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING:** As of 4-10-17, a total of \$1,340 was collected for One Great Hour of Sharing. An additional \$205.04 was received from "fish" banks. Thank you for your generosity.

**HY-VEE RECEIPTS:** Please remember to bring your Hy-Vee receipts and put them in the box on the counter in the Church Office.

**SOUP BAGS:** Providing a bag of soup and crackers has become an additional ministry when we serve our free Community Breakfast on the third Sunday of each month. Your donations of soup, crackers, ramen noodles, etc. helps tremendously with this ministry.

**NO SUNDAY SUPPER ON EASTER:** There is no Sunday Supper this evening. See you on Sunday, April 23.

### This Week at First Church

#### **SUNDAY, APRIL 16: Easter**

8:30 a.m.	Community/Easter Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
9:15 a.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Coffee and Fellowship Hour	Calvin Hall

**MONDAY, APRIL 17:** 

5:00 p.m. Foundation Board Meeting Parlor

**TUESDAY, APRIL 18:** 

8:30 a.m.Morning Bible StudyPanera Bread, Waterloo10:00 a.m.Staff MeetingPastor's Office7:00 p.m.Session MeetingCalvin Hall

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19:** 

10:00 a.m. Rebekah Circle Calvin Hall

**THURSDAY, APRIL 20:** 

7:00 p.m. Celebration Ringers Rehearsal Sanctuary
7:30 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal Choir Room

FRIDAY, APRIL 21:

12:00 Noon Prime Timers Calvin Hall

**SATURDAY, APRIL 22** 

8:30 a.m. Food for Thought Fellowship Hall

**SUNDAY, APRIL 23:** 

8:45 a.m.	Adult Forum	Calvin Hall
9:15 a.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Fellowship & Coffee Hour	Calvin Hall
11:15 a.m.	Koinonia	Parlor
11:15 a.m.	Youth Fellowship	Youth Room

## **Joys and Concerns for April 16, 2017**

#### **In our Thoughts and Prayers**

Sue Roberts, Covenant Hospital Rehab; Mary K. Williams, Friendship Village Pavilion; Kathy Zenner, Tripoli Nursing and Rehab; Rita Campbell, home; Barbara Benskin, home; Dean Bellinger, home; George Day, home; Warren Weltge, home; Robert Junge, home; Richard Platt, home; Russ TePaske, home

#### Please pray for our Sister Churches

First Presbyterian Church, Algona and First Presbyterian Church, Irvington, Lone Rock Presbyterian Church, Lone Rock
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