

The First Presbyterian Church in Pitman, NJ
Resurrection of the Lord
Sunday, April 21, 2019 • 10 AM • Rev. Drew Harrison

For Prayer & Contemplation (1 Corinthians 15:55)

‘Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?’

Welcome & Sharing Information Please sign the Fellowship Pad.

Prelude “I Know That My Redeemer Liveth” - Handel
Dawn Jurkiewicz, soprano

Call to Worship (BCW)

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

One: This is the good news we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

One: That Christ died for our sins, and was buried,
and rose again on the third day.

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

One: He appeared to Peter, and to the twelve,
and to many faithful witnesses.

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

One: At last, he came to us, that we might come to believe
and proclaim this good news to the world.

All: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

One: O God, you gave your only Son
to suffer death on the cross for our redemption,
and by his glorious resurrection
you delivered us from the power of death.

Grant us so to die daily to sin,
that we may live with him
in the joy of his resurrection;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

***Hymn No. 238** “Thine Is the Glory”

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 hungry,
and pass by those who mourn;
we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed,
and indifferent to calls for peace;
we despise the weak,
and 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.

Moment of Silence

Assurance of Forgiveness

One: All of us, like sheep, have gone astray,
but now we have returned to the shepherd
and guardian of our souls.

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God!**

***Passing of Peace**

One: The peace of Christ be with you all.
All: And also with you.

Anthem “Serve the Lord with Gladness” - Dillworth
Sanctuary Choir & Sunshine Singers

Time with Children

There is no Sunday School today. Following the time with the children, children are invited to stay and create our Alleluia Banner. There are markers, crayons, glue, and other art supplies to make and decorate Alleluias throughout the worship service, which we will then hang in the sanctuary for the Easter season. Parents are welcome to help, assist or supervise, but are free also to remain in their seats and worship.

Scripture

1. Isaiah 65:17-25	Old Testament	696	Large Print	851
2. Luke 24:1-12	New Testament	90	Large Print	109

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon “Victory” — Rev. Drew Harrison

***Affirmation of Faith** (Apostle’s Creed)
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.

Invitation to Offering

Offertory “Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia” -
Tanzanian folk hymn, arr. Biery

***Doxology No. 606**

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.

***Unison Prayer of Dedication**

Lord, we thank you for your many gifts. In gratitude, we humbly
offer our gifts and ourselves to you. Amen.

The Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to Communion

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise to God.

Pastoral Prayer

One: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

The Prayers of the People



Music Notes

Today's prelude is one of the most beloved arias from George Frederick Handel's oratorio, The Messiah. It begins Part III, immediately following the Halleluiah Chorus. The offertory is James Biery's 2014 setting of a Tanzanian Easter hymn, "Mfurahini Haleluya." The postlude is the final movement of "A Lenten/Easter Suite" by Alfred Fedak. We thank Dawn Jurkiewicz, the Sunshine Singers and the Sanctuary Choir for sharing special music with us this Easter morning.

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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.

Words of Institution Rev. Drew Harrison

Communion Hymn No. 246 "Christ Is Alive"

(Communion Servers, please come forward.) Ushers will direct the congregation to come forward by pews, forming two lines to receive communion through intinction.

The Sharing of the Supper

Prayer after Communion

Gracious God, we give you thanks that by the witness of your word and the sharing of this meal you have opened our hearts and eyes to the presence of Christ among us. Now send us forth from this place by the power of your Spirit to tell this good news to the world: The Lord has risen indeed! Amen.

*Hymn No. 248 "Christ Is Risen"

*Benediction

*Benediction Hymn No. 539 "We Will Go Out With Joy"

"We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. Alleluia! We will go out with joy. Alleluia! Alleluia! We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God. We will go out with joy in the Spirit; we will go out with God."

Postlude "The Strife Is O'er" - arr. Fedak

This Week's Calendar • April 21-28

Sunday April 21	Easter Sunday 6:30 AM Easter Sunrise Service – Alcyon Park 10 AM Worship Service – Sanctuary
Monday April 22	Earth Day 6 PM Liturgical Music Meeting – Upstairs Kitchen 7 PM Worship Committee – Upstairs Kitchen
Tuesday April 23	
Wednesday April 24	8 AM Board of Trustees Meeting – Upstairs Kitchen 7 PM PW Salad Supper/Birthday Offering – Social Hall
Thursday April 25	7 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 PM Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
Friday April 26	7 PM Theology on Tap – Sanctuary/Human Village Brewing Company
Saturday April 27	9:30 AM PW Core Board Meeting – Upstairs Kitchen
Sunday April 28	10 AM Worship 11:30 AM Stephen Ministry – Upstairs Kitchen 4:30 PM Confirmation Class – Memorial Lounge

Thank you to our Worship Servers

Communion Servers	Dave Nicastro, Betsy Wriggins, Barbara Wallace, Carol Owens, Darlene Powell, Karen Daly
Acolyte	Jacob Hwang
Liturgist	Suzanne Carson
Greeter	Elaine Scheetz
Ushers	Nancy Stewart, Vicki Downing, Jeff Downing, James Smathers
Tellers	Vicki Downing, Jeff Downing, James Smathers
Coffee Hr. Hosts	The Downings

This Week's Birthdays

April 21	Claire Powell
April 24	Alyssa Koenig
April 25	Matthew Hwang
April 25	Alex Kowalik
April 27	Marie Roberts
April 28	Kyle Leach
April 28	Jason Russell

Sunday Worship Service @ 10 AM

- Communion on the first Sunday of the month
- Sunday School each week from 10:20-11:05 AM