



First Presbyterian
Church of DuPage

**SUNDAY WORSHIP
EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 4, 2021 - 10:00 a.m.**

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
People: **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

OPENING SONG – “He Is Exalted” (#36 in The Celebration Hymnal)

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise Him.
He is exalted, forever exalted, and I will praise His name!
He is the Lord; forever His truth shall reign.
Heaven and earth rejoice in His holy name.
He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

PRAYER OF ADORATION

HYMN – “Christ the Lord is Risen Today” (#367 in The Celebration Hymnal, vs. 1-3)

Christ the Lord is risen today. Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high. Alleluia!
Sing, ye heav’ns and earth, reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King. Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Dying once, He all doth save. Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love’s redeeming work is done. Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won. Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise. Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

LITANY FOR EASTER

- Leader:** This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- People:** **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**
- Leader:** This is the good news we have received,
in which we stand, and by which we are saved:
- People:** **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**
- Leader:** That Christ died for our sins, and was buried,
and rose again on the third day.
- People:** **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**
- Leader:** He appeared to Peter, and to the twelve,
and to many faithful witnesses.
- People:** **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**
- Leader:** At last he came to us, that we might come to believe
and proclaim this good news to the world.
- People:** **Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

HYMN - "Crown Him with Many Crowns" (#45 in The Celebration Hymnal, vs. 1-3)

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sign of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King thro' all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love! Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me.
Thy praise and glory shall not fail thro-out eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of life! Who triumphed o'er the grave;
Who rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high.
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Guide us, O God, by your Word and Holy Spirit, that in your light we may see light, in your truth find freedom, and in your will discover your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: Psalm 118 1-2, 14-24

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG (AND YOUNG AT HEART) DISCIPLES

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE: John 20:1-18

SERMON – “Finding Your Way to Connect with the Easter Story” – Pastor David Boumgarden

SPECIAL MUSIC

OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION – BREAKING OF THE BREAD/POURING OF THE JUICE

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with You

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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.

HYMN – “He Lives” (#368 in The Celebration Hymnal)

I serve a risen Savior, He’s in the world today;
I know that He is living, whatever men may say.
I see His hand of mercy, I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need Him, He’s always near.

(Chorus)

He lives, He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life’s narrow way.
He lives, He lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know He lives? He lives within my heart.

In all the world around me I see His loving care;
And tho’ my heart grows weary, I never will despair.
I know that He is leading thro’ all the stormy blast.
The day of His appearing will come at last.

(Repeat Chorus)

Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!
The Hope of all who seek Him, the Help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.

(Repeat Chorus)

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

SENDING SONG – *“God be with You” (#232)*

POSTLUDE

WELCOME

Thank you for worshiping with us. We are delighted you are here on this Easter Sunday! If you would like more information regarding our church, please contact the church office at 630.759.8843 or firstpresdupage@gmail.com. Find us on Facebook and our website is www.firstpresdupage.org.

IN-PERSON AND VIRTUAL WORSHIP

We will have in-person worship. In keeping with current COVID guidelines we ask for masks, temperature checks, social distancing, and all COVID protocols to be followed. Your health and your presence are both important to us.

We will also continue to have virtual worship via our Facebook page at 10:00 a.m. Join us at <https://www.facebook.com/FirstPresbyterianChurchOfDuPage/>

To print this week's worship service bulletin, this link will take you to a page on the church's website: <https://www.firstpresdupage.org/sermons-2/>

EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you for those promoting the purchase and arrangement of the flowers, especially the leadership of Linda Altonen.

VIRTUAL FELLOWSHIP HOUR

We will have Virtual Fellowship Hour following this Sunday's worship service. Join us on Zoom at the following link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83460502979?pwd=aFgrVENJWFJLRFB0OCsvUU9YK2F0Zz09>

Meeting ID: 834 6050 2979

Passcode: 444124

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PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We are in the process of seeking an installed pastor. The nominating and electing of a Pastor Nominating Committee is complete. The committee includes Sampson Akotuah, Bob Buegel, Michelle Crebo, Danika Manchester, Patt Pilgrim and Monica Reilly. Thank you to the many who contributed to the committee's request for input on the Leadership Competencies of the resumé draft. Please keep our Pastor Nominating Committee in your prayers.

SAVE THE DATE!

- The Trustee Work Day originally scheduled for April 10th has been moved to April 17th at 9:00 a.m., making this a spring clean-up for the entire church and grounds. All are invited to come out and help!
- Vision Event: On Saturday, May 22nd, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. we will have a concluding, all-church conversation about the church's strategic direction, and we will have a small celebration together as well.

PRAYER REQUESTS & CARD MINISTRY

If you have a prayer request, please contact the church office. If you know someone troubled with an illness, a loss, or who could just use an uplifting word please email the church at firstpresdupage@gmail.com and provide the person's name, address, and concern so we can reach out and encourage them in their time of need.

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