

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Music

Concerns of the Church

Prelude "Now the Green Blade Rises" arr. Burkhardt

Call to Worship 1 John 3:1-2

See what love the Father has given us,
that we should be called the children of God;

and that is what we are!

Beloved, we are God's children now;

what we will be has not yet been revealed.

**What we do know is this: when Christ is revealed,
we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.**

* Hymn 245 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!"
Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

**Good and gracious God,
we are creatures of dust,
ignorant of your revelation,
misunderstanding your life, death, and resurrection among us,
needing forgiveness.**

We repent of our failure to give as you have given to us.

We beg your mercy for our fallen world.

We seek your Word, that we may live with the faith of Jesus.

Be our solace in this life and always.

We ask this as your own children, holy and incomplete.

Forgive us and lead us.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Response 591

"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!"

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Luke 24:36-49 (NT, p. 91)

Psalter: Psalm 4 (Hymnal 776)

A Time with Children

Anthem

Second Lesson: Acts 3:12-26 (NT, p. 120)

Sermon: "The Best Way to Overcome Ignorance"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 246 "Christ is Alive!"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory "Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing!" arr. Burkhardt

* Doxology (606)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!

Praise Christ, all people here below! Praise Holy Spirit evermore!

Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

- * Hymn 248 "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"
- * Charge and Benediction
- * Congregational Amen (601)
- * Postlude "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" arr. Lynn

*All are invited to remain seated to listen to the postlude.
If you are leaving before it is finished, please do so quietly.*

* All who are able shall stand.

*The flowers this morning have been given by Jack and Diane Scheuer to the
Glory of God and in loving memory of Jack's parents, John and Betty
Scheuer.*

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Coordinator of Children and Youth	Jana Schillinger
Director of Music	Frank Jones
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Alan Baker
Ushers	Drew Taylor, Ginny O'Brien
Welcomer	Steuart Bailey



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