

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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THE ORDER OF WORSHIP | THE LORD'S DAY | APRIL 16, 2023 | 10:45 A.M.

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## The Welcome and Announcements

*Please submit your prayer requests and/or record your attendance at worship with us:*



The Introit..... “Welcome, Happy Morning” (Trinity Hymnal No. 268)

### \*The Call to Worship

~ God’s People Respond to His Call to Worship ~

\*The Hymn of Praise No. 273 ..... “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

### \*The Prayer of Adoration

\*The Confession of Faith ..... The Westminster Shorter Catechism No. 38

Q. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. *At the resurrection, believers, being raised up to glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.*

~ God Calls His People to Confess Their Sins ~

The Law of God.....Matthew 22:37–40

And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

## **The Confession of Sin**

*Eternal Father, You are good beyond all thought, but we are sinful, miserable, and blind. Our lips are ready to confess, but our hearts are slow to feel, and our ways reluctant to amend. We bring our souls to You; break them, wound them, and mold them. Unmask to us sin's deformity, that we may hate it and flee from it. Grant us to know that the way of transgressors is hard, that evil paths are wretched paths, and that to depart from You is to lose all good. We have seen the purity and beauty of Your perfect law, the happiness of those in whose heart it reigns, yet we daily violate and condemn its precepts. All those sins we mourn and for them cry for pardon. Work in us more profound and abiding repentance. Grant that through the tears of repentance, we may see more clearly the brightness and glories of the saving work of Jesus Christ on our behalf; in His Name, we trust. Amen.*

## **The Silent Confession**

**~ God Answers His People and Speaks in the Scripture ~**

**The Assurance of Pardon.....1 John 2:12**

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.

**~ We Respond to God's Grace with Offerings of Ourselves and Our Needs ~**

**\*The Psalm of Thanksgiving No. 63....."O Lord, My God" (page 3)**

**The Offering.....2 Corinthians 8:7**

But as you excel in everything—in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you—see that you excel in this act of grace also.

**The Great Prayer .....Elder David Bosshardt**

**\*The Psalm No. 48....."The LORD Is Great and Greatly Praised" (pages 4-5)**

## Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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Go quickly and tell his disciples: "He has risen from the dead." Matt. 28:7

1. Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3. But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4. Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 un - to Christ our heav'n - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross Al - le - lu - ia!  
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 praise him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

St. 1, anon.  
 St. 2-3, Arnold's *Compleat Psalmist*, 1740  
 St. 4, Charles Wesley, 1740; alt.

1. O Lord, my God, most ear - nest - ly my heart would seek thy face,  
2. The lov - ing - kind - ness of my God is more than life to me;  
3. My Sav - ior, 'neath thy shel - t'ring wings my soul de - lights to dwell;

with - in thy ho - ly house once more to see thy glo - rious grace.  
so I will bless thee while I live and lift my pray'r to thee.  
still clos - er to thy side I press, for near thee all is well.

A - part from thee I long and thirst, and nought can sat - is - fy;  
In thee my soul is sat - is - fied, my dark - ness turns to light,  
My soul shall con - quer ev - 'ry foe, up - hold - en by thy hand;

I wan - der in a des - ert land where all the streams are dry.  
and joy - ful med - i - ta - tions fill the watch - es of the night.  
thy peo - ple shall re - joice in God, thy saints in glo - ry stand.

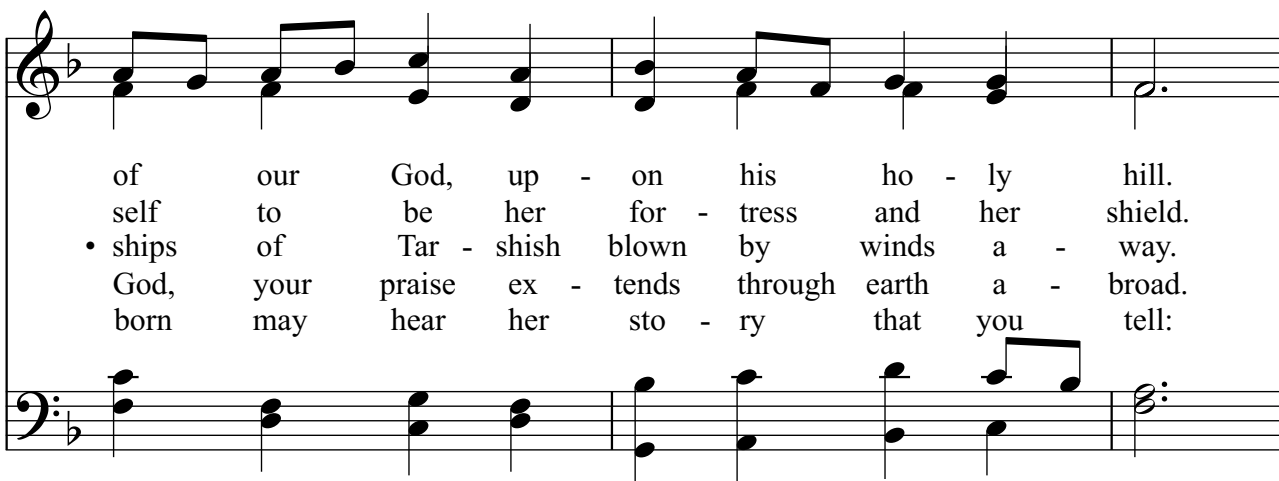
# Psalm 48B



1. <sup>1</sup>The LORD is great and great - ly praised; let  
2. <sup>3</sup>With - in her cit - a - dels and tow'rs God's  
3. <sup>6</sup>Like wom - en giv - ing birth in pain they  
4. <sup>9</sup>We con - tem - plate your stead - fast love with -  
5. <sup>12</sup>Round Zi - on walk and count her tow'rs; <sup>13</sup>view



all his prais - es tell with - in the cit - y  
pres - ence is re - vealed, for he has shown him -  
• trem - bled in dis - may. <sup>7</sup>You shat - tered them like  
in your house, O God; <sup>10</sup>for, like your name, O  
ev - 'ry cit - a - del, so child - ren yet un -



of our God, up - on his ho - ly hill.  
self to be her for - tress and her shield.  
• ships of Tar - shish blown by winds a - way.  
God, your praise ex - tends through earth a - broad.  
born may hear her sto - ry that you tell:

<sup>2</sup>Mount Zi - on, in its height so love - ly,  
<sup>4</sup>Be - hold the kings as - sem - bled there, to -  
 • <sup>8</sup>As we have heard, so we have seen: God's  
 With jus - tice is your right hand filled; <sup>11</sup>Mount  
<sup>14</sup>that this, our God and LORD, is God, for -

joy of all the earth; the great King's cit - y  
 geth - er they passed by; <sup>5</sup>they saw her and were  
 • cit - y will en - dure; the LORD of hosts for -  
 Zi - on's joy is great. Let Ju - dah's daugh - ters  
 ev - er he a - bides; for - ev - er he will

far ex - cels the moun - tains of the north.  
 filled with awe, in ter - ror took to flight.  
 • ev - er - more his cit - y keeps se - cure.  
 now re - joice, your judg - ments cel - e - brate.  
 be our God and our e - ter - nal guide.

SERMON NOTES

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**A. Remove the Stone (vv. 38-40)**

1. The Tomb (v. 38-39a)

a. In what sense is Jesus *troubled in His spirit*? Why?

b. How is Jesus' command a 'taking up of the gauntlet'?

c. **Application: *Christ's words require a response.***

2. The Objection (v. 39b)

a. Why are Martha's next words a surprise?

b. **Application: *Hardship, sorrow, and loss test the resolve of our faith.***

c. **Application: *Christ's mercy and faithfulness are not limited by the limits of our faith.***

3. The Glory (v. 40)

a. How does the Saviour's tenderness come out here too?

b. How does Jesus manifest His glory in His signs?

**B. Father, Thank you (vv. 41-42)**

1. Gratitude (v. 41)

a. How is the way the Saviour addresses the Father unique?

b. For what is the Saviour grateful?

2. Communion (v. 42a)
  - a. What caution is needed for us when praying in light of one's human hearers?
  
  - b. What does Jesus desire people to know?

**C. Lazarus, Come Out (vv. 43-44)**

1. Command (v. 43): Why does Jesus issue this command in a *loud voice*?
  
2. Obedience (v. 44a): How is the restoration of life to Lazarus different from the resurrection of Jesus?
  
3. Comfort (v. 44b): How does the Saviour show concern for the welfare of his friend?

~ God's People Respond in Praise ~

\*The Hymn of Commitment No. 283 ..... "Alleluia! Alleluia!"

~ God Blesses His People ~

\*The Benediction

\*The Response No. 735 ..... "The Gloria Patri"



# Alleluia! Alleluia!

1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to  
2. Christ is ris - en, Christ the first - fruits of the  
3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry

heav'n and voic - es raise; sing to God a  
ho - ly har - vest field, which will all its  
be to God on high; al - le - lu - ia

hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise:  
full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:  
to the Sav - ior, who has won the vic - to - ry;

he who on the cross a vic - tim for the  
 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their  
 al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, fount of

world's sal - va - tion bled, Je - sus Christ, the  
 heads be - fore him wave, rip - ened by his  
 love and sanc - ti - ty. Al - le - lu - ia!

King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.  
 glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.  
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.

Christopher Wordsworth, 1862; alt. 1961

EBENEZER (TON-Y-BOTEL) 8.7.8.7.D.  
 Thomas John Williams, 1890

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR APRIL 16, 2023

- + The deacons have requested that food and drinks no longer be brought into the auditorium. Tables and chairs are provided in the fellowship hall.
- + Starting in May, the Kindergarten & Elementary Midweek Program will focus on singing. Elder Davis will lead the children in learning to sing hymns and songs about Bible truths and Bible stories.
- + If you would like to provide flowers for the communion table at any time, Elaine Bosshardt or Angela Bandy will gladly add you to the schedule.
- + All the ladies of the church are invited to a brunch on Saturday at 10:30 a.m. to hear from Jennie Landrath of Choices Pregnancy Center.
- + Elder Nathan Bowers, is also serving as Christian Education Superintendent. Any concerns, questions, suggestions, or requests should be directed to him regarding Sunday School and Midweek activities and planning for future quarters.
- + This year for Operation Christmas Child, we are focusing on filling boxes for 10-14 year old boys, a frequently under-served age group. For April, please consider bringing items such as soccer balls (deflated) and pumps, Nerf balls, fishing lines, weights, and/or hooks, as well as playing cards.

### Keep Up With the Worship & Work of the Church

- + Sign up for text message alerts and updates by texting *FPFO* to 84576.
- + To subscribe to the prayer list, please contact the church secretary: [office@fpfo.org](mailto:office@fpfo.org).
- + Contributions may be received by placing your offering in the box at the auditorium doors, mailing a check to the church office, or online: [FPFO.org/give](https://www.fpfo.org/give)

### FPFO Weekly Activities Schedule

#### The Lord's Day

9:30 a.m. Fellowship Time  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. Morning Worship  
5:00 p.m. Sermon Broadcast  
WAAK 94.7 FM  
6:00 p.m. Evening Worship  
(excluding First Sundays)

#### Wednesday

9:00 a.m. Ladies' Prayer Meeting  
5:55 p.m. Covered-Dish Supper  
6:45-7:30 p.m. Prayer Meeting  
6:30-7:30 p.m. *KidsQuest* (children)  
6:45-7:30 p.m. Classes & Studies  
*The Gospel of John*  
On First, Third, and Fifth Wednesdays  
there is outreach at the Crossings Apts.

**Children are always welcome in worship, but a nursery is also available for children 3 and under.**

Nursery April 16: E. Wilson & T. Keller

April 23: L. Bible & M. Tuggle