



# Community Presbyterian Church

Service of the Resurrection  
20 April 2025

## GATHERING

### Easter Salutation

(One) Alleluia, Christ is Risen!

(All) **The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

### Welcome and Announcements

### Prelude

*Christ Arose!*

### Opening Prayer

### \*Call to Worship

(One) Alleluia, Christ is risen!

**(All) The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!**

(One) Glory to you, O God, on this day you won victory over death, raising Christ Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life in Him.

**(All) Glory to you, O Christ, for us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life.**

(One) Glory to you, O Holy Spirit, you lead us into the truth. Guide our worship today.

**(All) Let us now worship God with the joyful "Alleluias" of praise. Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

### Responsive Psalm

*Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24*

(One) O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

**(All) Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."**

(One) The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

**(All) There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;**

**the right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly."**

(One) I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the LORD.

**(All) The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.**

(One) Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.

**(All) This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.**

(One) I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

**(All) The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

(One) This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**(All) This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**\*Hymn (288)** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

(1) Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

All creation, join to say Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

(2) 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!

(3) Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!

Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!

Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!

Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

(4) Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!

Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!

Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

### **Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and reversed the curse of death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by ways that lead to death. Forgive us, God of abundant mercy. Help us to trust in Your Spirit as we are formed in the likeness of Christ. Restore us and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

### **Silence**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

## **PROCLAMATION**

**Old Testament Reading**

*Isaiah 65:17-25*

**New Testament Reading**

*1 Corinthians 15:19-26*

**Gospel Reading**

*Luke 24:1-12*

### **Sermon**

**\*Hymn (118)**

*Lord of the Dance*

(1) I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth.  
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

### *Refrain*

Dance, then, wherever you may be;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.  
And I'll lead you all wherever you may be,  
and I'll lead you all in the Dance, said he.

(2) I danced for the scribe and the Pharisee,  
but they would not dance and they would not follow me;  
I danced for the fishermen, for James and John;  
they came with me and the Dance went on. *[Refrain]*

(3) I danced on the Sabbath and I cured the lame,  
the holy people said it was a shame;  
they whipped and they stripped and they hung me on high;  
and they left me there on a cross to die. *[Refrain]*

(4) I danced on a Friday when the sky turned black;  
it's hard to dance with the devil on your back;  
they buried my body and they thought I'd gone,  
but I am the Dance and I still go on. *[Refrain]*

(5) They cut me down and I leapt up high,  
I am the life that'll never, never die;  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me;  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. *[Refrain]*

## RESPONSE

**\*Affirmation of Faith**      *Westminster Confession (8:7-8)*  
Christ, in the work of mediation, acteth according to both  
natures; by each nature doing that which is proper to itself;  
yet by reason of the unity of the person, that which is proper  
to one nature is sometimes, in Scripture, attributed to the  
person denominated by the other nature. (7)

To all those for whom Christ hath purchased redemption,  
He doth certainly and effectually apply and communicate  
the same; making intercession for them, and revealing unto  
them, in and by the Word, the mysteries of salvation;  
effectually persuading them by His Spirit to believe and  
obey; and governing their hearts by His Word and Spirit;  
overcoming all their enemies by His almighty power and  
wisdom, in such manner and ways as are most consonant  
to His wonderful and unsearchable dispensation. (8)

## Offertory

**\*Doxology** (A Capella)

**\*Prayer of Dedication**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer** (sins/trespass)

## SENDING

**Charge**

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Alleluia!*

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## SCRIPTURES

**Isaiah 65:17-25**

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the  
former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

65:18

But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I  
am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a  
delight.

65:19

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people; no more  
shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of  
distress.

65:20

No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime, for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

65:21

They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

65:22

They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat, for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

65:23

They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD-- and their descendants as well.

65:24

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

65:25

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent--its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

### **1 Corinthians 15:19-26**

Christ raised from the dead

15:19

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.

15:20

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

15:21

For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human,

15:22

for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ.

15:23

But each in its own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ.

15:24

Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power.

15:25

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

15:26

The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

### **Luke 24:1-12**

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.

24:2

They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,

24:3

but when they went in they did not find the body.

24:4

While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.

24:5

The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen.

24:6

Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,

24:7

that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again."

24:8

Then they remembered his words,

24:9

and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.

24:10

Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.

24:11

But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

24:12

But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.