

First Presbyterian Church  
Lake Park, Iowa  
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10:30am

April 1, 2018

Easter Sunday

Musical Prelude

L/ He is Risen! Alleluia!

**C/ Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!**

Announcements

Passing of the peace

Proclamation of the Resurrection

Mark 16: 1-8 \*pages 1584-85

Response to reading: # 359 Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

Response and Call to Worship (based on 1 Corinthians 5:7-8 and Revelation 5-7)

**All/ Alleluia! Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. Let us  
Keep the Feast! Alleluia!**

L/ Worthy is the Lamb who was slain to receive power, riches,  
wisdom, and strength!

**C/ Honor and glory and praise to the Lamb Jesus who is Risen!  
Alleluia!**

L/ Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne and to the  
Lamb!

**C/ Amen! Praise and glory and thanks and power and strength  
to our God forever! Alleluia!**

L/ Never again will those whom the Lamb has saved feel hunger or  
thirst. The sun shall not beat down on them nor will they be  
scorched in the heat. For the Lamb is now on the throne and He is  
their shepherd.

**C/ From Jesus the Lamb flows the waters of everlasting life and  
God himself will wipe away all their tears!**

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Keep the Feast! Alleluia!**

# A Prayer for Easter

Dear Father,

My eyes lift to Heaven

In total adoration of the one true God you are.

Your incredible love for the world

Exceeds my imagination

And your gracious gift of life

Excels beyond my understanding.

When I reflect on the cross of Calvary,

My mind fails to grasp the depth of darkness

The day you turned your back on your son

As he bore the sin of the world.

For everyone ever born.

For me.

The price was so great yet his blood poured out

To yield the highest return of investment  
ever known.

O Death – where is your sting?

O Grave – where is your victory?

Death? It is extinguished.

The Grave? It has been conquered.

And the empty tomb? Celebrated.

He is Risen and we praise you Father!

Hosanna and Amen!

-THANK YOU to everyone who came out and helped with the Spring Cleaning of our church. It is wonderful when we work together and take care of God's house!

-CHOIR will meet this Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

-We will be having our Mobile Food Pantry this Thursday, April 5<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. We will need volunteers to help with unloading and carrying. Please call Pastor Tim if you can help.

-We will have a Salad Luncheon fundraiser next Saturday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. A variety of salads will be served along with a beverage. This is Free Will Offering. Also, there is a sign-up sheet in the entryway for those of you who could bring a salad that day. Please contact Jeanie Hawn with any questions.

-Camper Scholarship Special Offering will be next Sunday.

-Haiti Mission Trip Fundraiser Dinner- Sunday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at the Lake Park Community Center from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Meal is sponsored by Five Star Catering and Thrivent Financial. It will include beef sandwich, cheesy potatoes and Oreo fluff. We also have silent auction items available for bidding. The group from United Methodist Church of Lake Park is going to Haiti June 12-21 with a team of 18 people. They appreciate your prayers and support!

-There will be a Come-and-Go Bridal Shower for Elizabeth Thilges, bride-elect of Justin Bunkers, at the United Methodist Church of Lake Park on Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Justin is the son of Jim and Leanne Bunkers.

-We have received information about financial assistance from Presbytery for any woman in our church interested in attending the Churchwide Gathering in Louisville this summer. Call Lynette in the office if you would like more information.

-Friday morning Bible Study continues every Friday at 10 a.m. We are studying the book of Luke, and everyone is welcome.



Hymn of Praise: #367 Christ the Lord is Risen Today

### Opening Prayer

L/ God our Father, in Your Raising of Jesus from death, you showed the depth of your love. Jesus opened the way to eternal Life in the resurrection. Let our celebration today and for the next fifty days raise us up and renew our lives by the Spirit of the Risen Lord who lives within us. **Amen.**

Hymn of Praise: #209 This is the Day!

Children's Chat

Special Music – Ken Byers

### Reading of Scripture

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 25: 6-9 *\*pages 1095-96*

Canticle: #108 (blue hymnal) Christ is Alive! (verses 1 and 2)

New Testament Lesson: Acts 10: 34-43 *page 1710*

Sermon

Affirmation of Faith: Westminster Confession (1649, PCUSA Book of Confessions, 6.046-7)

**All/ Jesus did take on our redemption most willingly so that he might be the fulfillment of the law. Jesus did suffer torture and pain in body and soul, was crucified and died and was buried and thus was under the power of sin and death. On the third day he arose from the dead with the same body in which he suffered and with which he ascended to heaven where he now sits on the right hand of God the Father, making intercession still. Jesus will return to judge all of creation, humans and angels, at the end of the world. This Jesus has purchased not only reconciliation with God but everlasting inheritance for all those the Father has called to Him.**

Offertory;

Doxology

#815

The Sacrament of the Lord's Table (LOSA 33)

Words of institution: 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26

Invitation

All who seek the Lord Jesus with a sincere heart are welcome at this table for it is His and not our own.

L/ The Lord be with You    **C/ And also with you**  
L/ Lift your Hearts        **C/ We lift them to God**  
L/ Let us glorify God       **C/ Praise Father, Son, and Spirit**

L/ Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy...for as often as we eat of this bread and drink this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

**C/ Christ has died, Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Christ will come again! Alleluia! Amen!**

L/ Therefore O God, with this bread and cup we remember the Life our Lord offered for us...Join our prayers with those of your servants, men and women of every time and place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great High Priest until He comes as victorious Lord of all.

**C/ Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, forever and ever. Amen.** (based on Romans 11:36)

Lord's Prayer (using Debts)

Communion of the People

*Please sing Come to the Table of Grace found in the inside cover of the blue Presbyterian Hymnals. (Grace, peace, love, hope, joy)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving (from our Reformed Heritage)

L/ Holy God we praise you! Let the heavens be joyful and the earth be glad! We praise you for creating the universe, for loving us enough to promise us Life even when we had chosen death, and for sending Jesus to prove that Love and redeem us from Sin and Death. Dying on the cross, Jesus saved us. Rising from the dead, Jesus gives us new Life. And now at the right hand of Your throne, Jesus prays for us and guides us still.

**C/ Send Your Spirit that, being one in our Risen Lord Jesus, we may be one with each other and one in ministry with all Your people of every race and nation; men and women waiting in joy and hope for your final coming! To You we give all our praise!** (PCUSA Book of Common Worship, 1989)

Benediction

Sending Hymn: #365 Alleluia! Alleluia!

Ministry Leaders

Deacons: Terry Wiese & Ann McClain  
Greeters: Luke Harmon & James Harmon  
Pastor: Rev. Tim Harmon  
Worship Music: Marian Tuinstra  
All members are ministers of Jesus Christ

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Attendance 3/25/18: 52

Offering 3/25/18: \$812.00

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering: \$203.00

There are 44 paid per capitas: \$37 for 2018

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-HAPPY BIRTHDAY to Hap Conley and Brady Nissen TODAY, and to Marian Tuinstra on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

-HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Kurt & Bonnie Anderson on April 5<sup>th</sup>, and to Mark & Karen Byers on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

-“We would like to thank our church family for your prayers, cards, telephone calls and good well wishes following Dennis’s surgery and at-home recovery. A special thank you to Pastor Tim for his prayers, visit and his many telephone calls.”

- Dennis and Donna Stoltenberg

-“Words cannot express the gratitude we have for everyone who has helped us in any way since our fire. Thank you to all who helped make our benefit possible. Thank you to all who donated food, silent auction items, and their time planning and helping. Also thanks to those who came and shared the day with us. We are so overwhelmed by the prayers, support, and generosity that has been shown to our family. We are truly blessed.”

- John and Joy Mier and family

