

# First Presbyterian Church

## Easter Sunrise Service

Resurrection of the Lord

April 5, 2015

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Tom Laney

OPENING PRAYER

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Steve Lowe

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

This is the day the Lord has made;

Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

\*HYMN

*“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”*

Wesley, 1739

Christ the Lord is risen today,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Earth and heaven in chorus say

Al-le-lu-ia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Love’s redeeming work is done,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Fought the fight, the battle won,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Death in vain forbids him rise,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Christ has opened paradise,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Lives again our glorious King,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Where, O death, is now thy sting?

Al-le-lu-ia!

Once he died our souls to save,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Where’s thy victory, boasting grave?

Al-le-lu-ia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heaven!

Al-le-lu-ia!

Praise to you by both be given,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Every knee to You shall bow,

Al-le-lu-ia!

Risen Christ, triumphant now,

Al-le-lu-ia!

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Claudia Morgan-Gray

READING:

John 20:1-18

Selected

SCRIPTURE

I Corinthians 15:1-11

Jan Pennal, James Nichols

REFLECTION

“Easter Surprises”

\*HYMN

*“Up from the Grave He Arose”*

Lowry, 1874

Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,

Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior;

Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior;

He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain:

Up from the grave he arose, with a

mighty triumph o’er his foes, he a-

rose a victor from the dark domain, and he

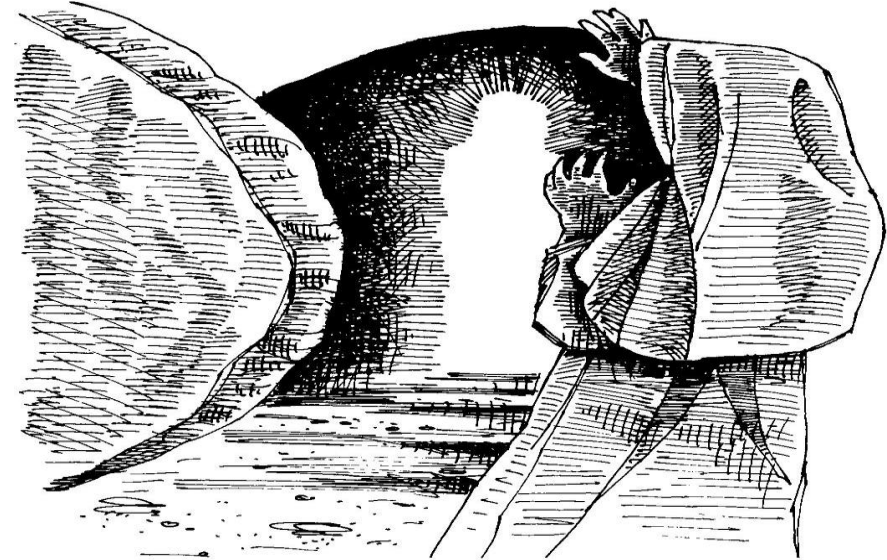
lives forever, with his saints to reign. He a-

rose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!

BENEDICTION

You are invited to take a flower from beneath the cross and place it on the cross in the Sanctuary or take it home with you as a reminder of the meaning of Easter and new life.

Everyone is invited to share Easter morning breakfast with us in the Fellowship Hall.  
We would be pleased to have you break bread with us.



“He<sup>has risen,</sup>  
See he is not here.  
the place where  
they laid him.”  
Mark 16:6

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