

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO**

**Sunday, April 1, 2018  
10:00 A.M.**

**RESURRECTION OF THE LORD!**

**GATHERING**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**CHIMES**

**PRELUDE**

*“Gloria”* (Mozart)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

From Psalm 118

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his steadfast love endures forever!

**Let Israel say,  
‘His steadfast love endures forever.’**

The Lord is my strength and my might;  
he has become my salvation.

**Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter through them  
and give thanks to the Lord.**

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

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

This is the Lord’s doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.

**This is the day that the Lord has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

**\*OPENING HYMN #245**

*“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”* (Williams)

**\*OPENING PRAYER**

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Redeeming God, the long Season of Lent is over; the Day of Resurrection has come. Yet we continue to live as if we were lost in our sin, as if death still held us in its grip, as if Christ was still in the grave. We do not live as Easter people, but instead worry about tomorrow, as if by doing so we could add a single hour to our lives. We still do not live as your beloved children. Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our inability to grasp the wonder and joy of Christ's rising, and show us how to live as those who have been redeemed and saved. We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.**

## **SILENT CONFESSION**

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

### **\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #581**

*Gloria Patri (Greatorex)*

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

### **\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please exchange these words with your neighbors: "The peace of the Lord be with you." "And also with you."

## **THE WORD**

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

#### **READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

Isaiah 25:6-9

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

#### **READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS**

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

### **ANTHEM**

*"Christ Is Arisen, Indeed!" (Sleeth)*

**\*READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Mark 16:1-8

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES**

**SERMON**

“No Foolin”

**\*HYMN #233**

*“The Day of Resurrection!”* (Smart)

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles’ Creed*

**I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s only Son our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

**RETURNING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD**

**MUSICAL OFFERING**

*“Glorious Love”* (Frizzel/Worley)

Joan Arnold and Wayne Bevers

**\*PRAISE GOD, FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW #606**

(Genevan Psalter)

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (PRAYER)**

**OUR LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)**

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
and forgive us our debts  
as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**BREAKING THE BREAD AND FILLING THE CUP**

**SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP**

**PRAYER FOLLOWING COMMUNION**

### SENDING

**\*CLOSING HYMN #232**                      *"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"* (Davidica)

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*\*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.*

Words in **bold print** are spoken by the congregation.