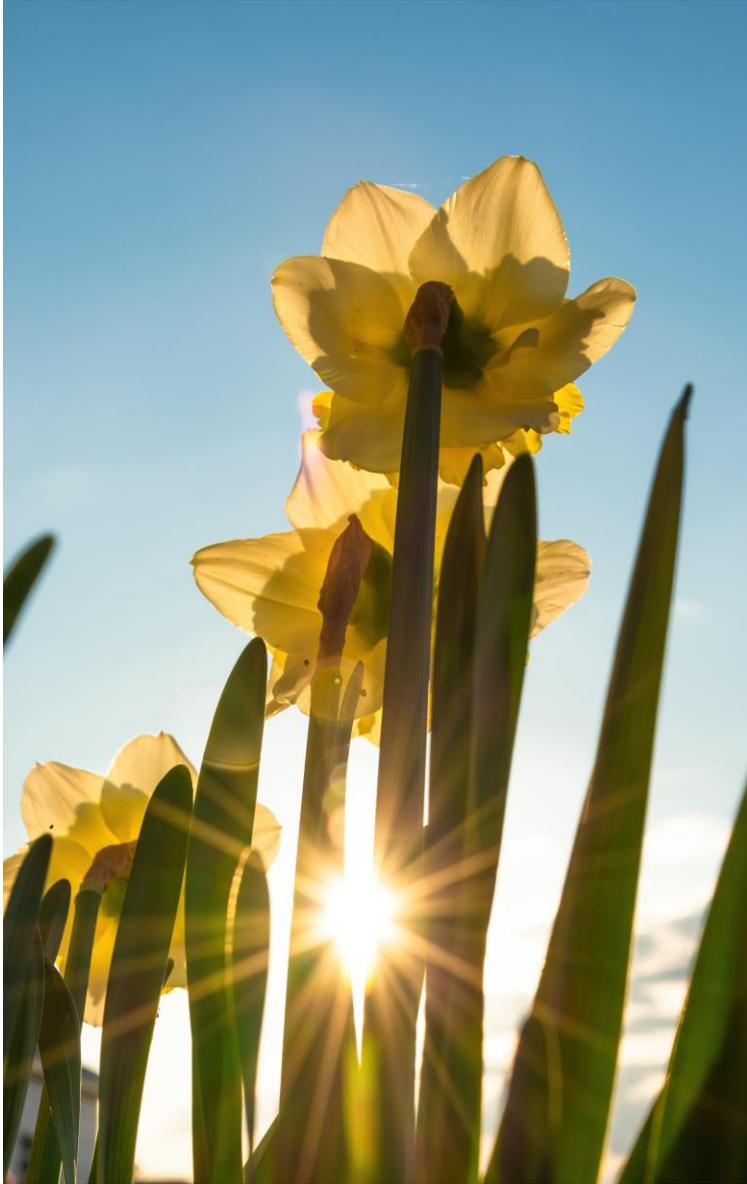


PARK CENTRAL
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Easter Sunday

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 17, 2022 10:30 AM

Chiming of the Hour

The ringing of the bell invites us to quiet our hearts & minds as we gather for worship.

Words of Welcome & Announcements

Welcome to worship at Park Central Presbyterian Church! May you experience God's grace and love within the worship service.

Please wear a mask and maintain social distance from other household groups.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

INTROIT

“Thine is the Glory” (Maccabeus)

The English Handbell Choir

George Frideric Handel

arr. Bill Ingram

PRELUDE

“I Know That My Redeemer Liveth”

George Frideric Handel

from *Messiah*

Dan Blumenthal, *violin*

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

This is the day that God has made!

Be glad and rejoice forever!

Heaven and earth will never be the same!

Be glad and rejoice forever!

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

***HYMN 104** Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

CALL TO CONFESSION

**Please stand if you are able to comfortably*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of new life,
you continually seek to release your people
from bondage to freedom,
from oppression to liberation,
from death to new life.
On this resurrection day,
we want to embrace the hope and joy
of your good news.
We come humbly in prayer
confessing our doubts,
our hesitation,
our reluctance to let go of what has been
so that we can be made new.
Forgive us, we pray.
Remind us of your faithfulness.
Astonish us with your newness.
Give us the courage of the women on that Easter morning
that we may run and proclaim the good news
that Christ is not in the tomb, but has risen. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA**

*Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ,
and to the Spirit, One!
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen!*

GLORIA PATRI

PASSING OF THE PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

**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.

WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷ For I am about to create new heavens
and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered
or come to mind.

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.

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.

²⁰ No more shall there be in it
an infant that 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.

²¹ They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

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.

²³ They shall not labor in vain,
or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by God—
and their descendants as well.

²⁴ Before they call I will answer,

while they are yet speaking I will hear.
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 Most High.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

MUSICAL MEDITATION

The Day of Resurrection

*The day of resurrection! Earth tell it out abroad!
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over with songs of victory.
Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;
And listening to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain,
His own, "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.
Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth the song begin!
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein!
Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes in gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.*

The Kirk Choir
Richard Shephard

THE SECOND LESSON

Luke 24:1-12

¹ But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two people dressed in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the two said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? Jesus is not here, but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." ⁸ Then the women remembered these words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to

the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe the women. 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.

Leader: This is the word of God.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Sarah McTyre

SILENT MOMENT OF REFLECTION

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

SHARING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

The offering plate will not be passed. You may place gifts to the church in the offering plate as you exit.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

***HYMN 113** Christ the Lord is Risen Today!

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***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“Hallelujah Chorus”

from *Messiah*

George Frideric Handel

Please join us in the Gathering Hall after worship for a time of fellowship.

*In celebration of the joy of the resurrection,
Easter flowers have been given
by Bill Billingham and family in memory of Kay Billingham
and by Raymond Cummings, Jr. in memory of Isabel (Liz), Alice,
Raymond, and Donald Cummings*

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

Liturgist..... Briana Vaught

Living God, by your Holy Spirit,
open our eyes to see the new light of this day;
open our hearts to believe the good news;
open our lips to tell of the empty tomb;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Portions of today's liturgy are adapted from *Feasting on the Word: Worship Companion*
and from *Full to the Brim: An Expansive Lent, A Sanctified Art*.

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