

The First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin
The Resurrection of the Lord
Easter Sunday
April 4, 2010
9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Enter the church in silence. Through silence speak to God and let God speak to you.

PREPARATION: *The following are the scriptures for this morning: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (Pew Bible pages 492-493); 1 Corinthians 15:19-26 (page 936) Christ is first fruits of all who die. Isaiah 65:17-25 (pages 607-608) God promises a new creation of the heavens, the earth and Jerusalem. John 20:1-18 (pages 882-883) Mary Magdalene finds the empty tomb; does not recognize Jesus*

PRAYER FOR THE DAY: *Risen Christ, show us your glory! Come to us, reveal yourself and your will to us, be with us, prod us, lead us, and give us the vision to see you among us, give us the strength to follow you wherever you take us. Amen.*

THE GATHERING

BELL PEAL

WELCOME

PRELUDE “My Spirit Be Joyful” (from Cantata No. 146) J. S. Bach

INTROIT (Hymn #108) “Christ Is Alive” Truro

CHOIR: Christ is alive! Let Christians sing
the cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

ALL: **Christ is alive, and comes to bring
good news to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.**

LITANY

LEADER: Praise God, for he has guided us through the night.
PEOPLE: **God is always with us – as close as by our side.**
LEADER: Let us rejoice and be glad! Even our physical bodies have hope.
PEOPLE: **For God will not leave us in death –
just as he has not left his Son in the tomb.**

EPISTLE READING 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

LEADER: This morning we light the Christ candle to remind us that in Christ is life, and that life is the light for all people. The light has pierced the darkness and the darkness can never overtake the light – the one true Light which is found in Jesus Christ. Let us pray:

ALL: **O God, we give you praise, honor, and glory for bringing us new life through your Son, Jesus Christ. We rejoice in knowing that we will rise form death like Christ and, in so doing, will live eternally with you. Amen.**

*RESPONSE (Hymn #104) Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” Hymn to Joy

ALL: **Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna! Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder: all creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.**

*OPENING SENTENCES

LEADER: Christ is risen!
PEOPLE: **He is risen indeed!**
LEADER: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ.
PEOPLE: **By God’s great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**
LEADER: Rejoice! Sing praises to God the Creator, God the Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit. Come, let us praise the Lord.
ALL: **The Lord’s name be praised!**

*PROCESSIONAL HYMN #123 “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” Easter Hymn

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

LEADER: God shows no partiality.
PEOPLE: **Rather, anyone who fears God and does what is right, is acceptable to God.**
LEADER: Trusting that this is so, let us confess ours sins before God and each other.
PEOPLE: **Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead us to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to call for peace; we despise the weak and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. (Time of silent confession.)**

LEADER: Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
ALL: Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

LEADER: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.
Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live."
PEOPLE: **This Easter Day we celebrate the assurance of forgiveness
that is God's resurrection gift.**
All: **Glory to God!**

***RESPONSE (Hymn #104) "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" Hymn to Joy**

ALL: Christ is risen! Raise your spirits
from the caverns of despair.
Walk with gladness in the morning.
See what love can do and dare.
Drink the wine of resurrection,
not a servant, but a friend.
Jesus is our strong companion.
Joy and peace shall never end.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Eric Houghton
(At this time the children may leave for Sonshine Mountain.)

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION
OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 65:17-25
The Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today: Alleluia!" arr. Wolff

GOSPEL READING John 20:1-18
The Gospel of the Lord!
Praise to You, O Christ!

SERMON "Forgiven and Free" Rev. Victoria ByRoade

THE RESPONSE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We believe that Christ died for our sins in accordance with scriptures. He was buried, He was raised on the third day, He appeared to Mary, to Peter, then to the twelve. We believe that as by man came death, by man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. We believe that by God's great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and to an inheritance which is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. We believe that Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in Him, though we die, we will live, and whoever lives and believes in Him will never die. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" Wienhorst
***DOXOLOGY (Hymnal #591) "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."**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SENDING

***HYMN #118 "The Day of Resurrection" Lancashire**

*BENEDICTION

*CHARGE

***RESPONSE "Hallelujah Chorus" from "Messiah" Handel**
(All are invited to participate in singing)

**The congregation stands. If standing is difficult for you, please feel free to remain seated.*

We thank the Commodore Brass Quintet (Robert Leischner, Robert Rickel, Jim Fozard, Doug Ritchie, and Gil Marcy) for sharing their talents in today's worship services.

NEXT SUNDAY, April 11, 2010 will be the Second Sunday in Easter and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The scripture readings will be: Psalm 118:14-29 (Pew Bible pages 492-493); Acts 5:27-32 (page 889) Peter and the apostles are reproached by the high priest for teaching in Jesus' name. Revelation 1:4-8 (pages 994-995) God is the Alpha and the Omega John 20:19-31 (page 883) Jesus appears before the disciples; appears again before Thomas.

PRAYER FOR PEACE – FORGIVENESS - Easter is the time to realize yet again that God has forgiven us. We are whole, without sin, with his sacrifice. We don't have to ask for it, we don't have to delineate our many small and large wrongs. God does not keep a record. He does not remember all those wrongs committed. He only loves us and urges us to touch Him, forgive others and forgive ourselves. We should let go of the "baggage" that we carry around with us, the baggage that keeps us awake at night and worries us in our dreams when we do sleep. Our own guilt colors the way we treat others, making us defensive and suspicious when others offer solutions. If we could realize that God loves us and that he does not keep a book on us, then maybe we could actually DROP the guilt and the agonizing that we do for all the wrongs we have committed; and maybe we could get on with our loving, giving lives that God intends for us! *Dear Father in Heaven, help us remember that you love us and that you do not remember all those things we have done. You don't dwell on them, and you don't want us to dwell on them. We are forgiven for all that. You want us to reach out, go forward, love others, laugh together, trust each other, and enjoy this beautiful world. Amen.*

IF YOU ARE LOOKING FOR A CHURCH HOME and are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church of Dunedin, please indicate your desire to Pastor ByRoade so we can arrange a gathering of our Session.

WE WELCOME ALL WHO WORSHIP HERE TODAY – Coffee is available in Hager Hall following both services. Coloring pages for children to use during the worship hour are available from the ushers. Before "THE WORD", girls and boys PK4 through 5th grade are invited to attend Sunday school on "Sonshine Mountain". Our nursery, for infants through age 3, is in the Christian Education Building, downstairs in Room 103. Large print bulletins and large print hymnals are available from the ushers. Hearing devices are also available. Please ask for one at the sound booth.

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP – 9:30 a.m.

USHERS: John Ralph, Marge Ralph, Rosalie Bergman, Ron Barnette

LITURGIST: Kathy Schultz

ACOLYTE: Jonathan Gibbs

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP – 11:00 a.m.

USHERS: Don Shaffer, Paul Burks, Iris Poppler, Jamie Poppler

LITURGIST: Jim Szatskowski

ACOLYTE: Jonathan Gibbs

THE LILIES TODAY ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD BY

Dodi Anderson, Mary Ann Beall, Lori Burckhardt, Paul and Lynn Burks,
 Ronald and Victoria ByRoade, Jackie Chalk, Doug and Marian Davis, Betty Dethmers,
 Richard and Addie Lou Gilchrist, Carin Gow, Sara Green,
 Doris Hinson, Hazel Kirk, Jennette Marsden, Jeff and Ann Thomas,
 Richard and Marge Bishop Simon, Ron and Ginger Watson, Babe Young

TODAY'S OPPORTUNITIES

7:00 a.m. – Sunrise Service – Dunedin Causeway
 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. – Traditional Services
 12:00 p.m. – Easter Brunch

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Monday (5 th)	3:00 p.m.	PW Council
	7:00 p.m.	First Samaritans
Tuesday (6 th)	7:00 p.m.	Christian Education
	7:00 p.m.	Mission Outreach
Wednesday (7 th)	10:00 a.m.	Strong for Life
	6:00 p.m.	Potluck Dinner
	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study – Doyle
	7:00 p.m.	Video Club
	8:00 p.m.	Worship Café Rehearsal
Friday (9 th)	10:00 a.m.	Finance Committee
	11:45 a.m.	First Friday Books

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, April 5, in observance of the Easter holiday.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FAMILY DINNER This week the meal will be a potluck. Bring plenty of food to share!

FIRST FRIDAY CONVERSATIONS – Friday, April 9 – 11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. in Hager Hall (brown bag lunch). "Inspiring Women" Guest Panel: Marian Davis, Bea Waller, Vivien Grant "Women's Stories" reassure, comfort, surprise and inspire us. Come join the conversation! Discussion Leaders: Gayle Hill, Karen McNulty

FIRST SUNDAY BOOKS April 11th 7-8:15 p.m. in the church library. Sarah's Key by Tatiana de Rosnay. Don't miss the discussion about this historical fiction, based on real events in France (1942) during World War II. Discussion leaders: Iris Shalit and Joann Burrows.

RELAY FOR LIFE - April 16th, the date for Relay for Life is fast approaching! Please bring in your dime bottles and donations this coming Sunday, 4/11. We would like to get as much as possible of our money turned in before the Relay to be sure our team gets credit for it. Also next Sunday we will be selling chances on the lovely work of art donated by Nancy Christy as well as our gift basket which is chock full of goodies. Look for us in Hager Hall.

MUSIC NOTES OF INTEREST

DUNEDIN COMMUNITY CHORUS Sunday, April 11, 3:00 p.m. Dunedin Community Center, 1920 Pinehurst Rd – “A Salute to Freedom” featuring sacred and patriotic music. (Free will offering)

ORGAN RECITAL – Sunday, April 18 – 3:00 p.m. Church on the Bayou Presbyterian Church, 409 Whitcomb Blvd., Tarpon Springs – ORGANIST: Stephen L. Allen (free will offering)

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PRAYER REQUESTS - the names of people who have requested prayer are listed in italics the first week of their request and any time there are changes in their condition or place of recuperation. A complete listing of the people for whom we need to lift our prayers will also be provided for you in each edition of THE VOICE. (Please call the church office if you have a prayer concern.)

- Beth Hoffer, daughter of Joe and Donna Hoffer, undergoing tests
- Joe Tilney at Mease Continuing Care
- Anne Trahan, mother of Betsi Lewis-Knapp, under Hospice care
- For improved health: Lillian McKibben, Paul Hoffer, Scott Miller, John Keller, Betsy Perkins, Bill Vilsoet, Marge Vilsoet, Sharyn Ramirez, Lois Krebs, Dotsie Dauble, Bob Harvie, Peg Harvie, Dee Faust, Dave Dauble, Eva Marcantel
- All our members who reside in skilled nursing homes
- The Missio Dei Community (formerly the Transfiguration Faith Community of St. Petersburg), a new church development in the Presbytery of Tampa Bay
- First Presbyterian Church in our desire to be responsible stewards of our talents and finance

First Church Financial Status on: March 31, 2010

<i>Operating Funds</i>	<i>Revenue</i>	<i>Expenses</i>	<i>Surplus (Deficit)</i>
Church	\$ 125,595	\$ 106,154	\$ 19,441
Pre-School	\$ 62,643	\$ 53,470	\$ 9,173
Totals:	\$ 188,238	\$ 159,624	\$ 28,614

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