

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

\*SENDING HYMN 826 – *Lift High the Cross*

*(Refrain)*

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore his sacred name.*

**Come, Christians, follow where the Master trod,  
our King victorious, Christ the Son of God. *(Refrain)***

**Led on their way by this triumphant sign,  
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. *(Refrain)***

**Each newborn servant of the Crucified  
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. *(Refrain)***

**O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
your death has brought us life eternally. *(Refrain)***

**So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
praise to the Crucified for victory! *(Refrain)***

\*CHARGE TO THE CONGREGATION

One As we faithfully live our lives in this coming week,  
what does God call us to do?

Many: **We are called to celebrate God's grace as a Christ-centered  
community of acceptance, growing in faith  
and living as Christ's hands to serve.**

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE – *Symphonie V: Toccata*

Charles-Marie Widor

**WORSHIP CONCLUDES—SERVICE BEGINS!**

\*for those who are able, please stand.



*The flowers in the chancel are dedicated to the glory and honor of God  
in celebration of our children, and our grandchildren, Nicole & Liam  
by Jane & Tim Stoepker.*

**Worship Leaders**

Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jill VanderWal, Interim Associate Pastor

Maryanne Beery, Director of Music and Fine Arts

Rob Hlebinsky, Organist

**Participants:** Geneva Choir, Carillon Ringers  
Charles Slajus, trombone; Faulkner Botbyl-Mast, tuba  
Sid Disbrow, Tom Jones, Gary Oberlin, trumpets

**Greeters:** Clinton Street: Shirley Shuman, Paul Lampe  
The Gathering Area: Sandi DeGroot  
Portico: Kitty Blessing

**Nursery:** Maddie Bryant, Jennifer Winslow, aide: Annika Hauser Brydon

**Reader:** Ron Mass

**Usher Team #1:** Paul McNergney, Ruth Suchecki, Head Ushers

Nursery care is available this morning for children through age 3.  
All other children remain in worship. Activity books are available  
near the sanctuary entrances.

**Welcome to Our Guests!**

*Please join us for coffee fellowship in the lounge  
after the service. We're glad you're here!*



**Our Church Family & Friends**

**Our prayers of sympathy:** To the family and friends of "Scott" Kenneth S.  
MacLeod, resident of Lake City, Florida, who passed away on March 23.

**Prayer requests:** Alice Akin, Carol Folkert, Margaret Johnson, Evelyn Wood,  
Tom Braak, Frank Steinhauer, Margaret Linebaugh, Sue Roper, and  
Roy Lindberg

**Thank you cookie bakers:** Debbie Abbey, Lois Erwin, Dave Gritter, Kelli Jullie,  
Dorothy Miller, Kathie Schwartz, Carol Weller, and Jean Mesler

**Easter Flower Dedications**

**Given in memory of...**

Harvey Bekins  
my wife, Edy Bolthouse  
Darrell I. Dykstra  
our mother, Edy Bolthouse  
George Kahlenberg  
Mareta Dinsmoor  
Frederic F. Brace, Jr.  
Anne Parker  
Mary Agnes Clickner  
Dick and Millie Enders  
our parents  
Darl & Maxine Hollis  
Carol J. Hall  
our loving parents  
Milton R. Miller and all loved ones  
Robert Ochs  
William and Mary Muir  
Jack and Aleta Pellegrom  
Carol and Winfield Hall  
Bob Sluiter

our parents, Jane and Asher Tourison

Mike, Ruth, and Clavera VanderWall & Don Maycroft

Jack VanGelderren

Leslie and Sylvia Vink

**Given in Celebration of...**

our caring church family

Andrea, Tyler, Sarah, Joe, and grandchildren

Katie and Emily Riemersma, Mason and Brooklyn Kopf,  
Grayson Kroeger, Nicole and Julia Stein

Jason and Kara Riemersma, Allison and Ken Kopf,  
Mary and Ben Kroeger, Christine and Robert Stein

our children, Anne and John Fickes

the risen Christ

Char, Tyler, Clay, Coryn, Ian, Elle, and Evan

**Given by...**

Barbara Bekins  
Bill Bolthouse  
Virginia Dykstra and Bill Bolthouse  
Andrea and Sarah  
Janet K. Brace  
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John and JoAnne Clickner  
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Sandie Enders  
Bill and Barb Fickes  
Darlene Hollis  
Darlene Hollis  
Ron and Mary Jane Mass  
Dorothy Miller and family  
Susan Ochs  
Susan Ochs  
Anita Pellegrom  
Anita Pellegrom  
Flo Sluiter  
Joanie, Bruce, Susan, Asher,  
Mary and Margaret  
Doug and Tina VanderWall  
Jeanne VanGelderren and family  
Jeanne VanGelderren & Steven Vink  
and families

**Given by...**

Russ and Flo Andersen

Bill Bolthouse

Mimi and Boss Disbrow

Kathie and Sid Disbrow

Bill and Barb Fickes

Ron and Mary Jane Mass

Doug and Tina VanderWall



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“Because the point that the gospel makes isn't that  
Jesus died, we all will die, therefore we get to go to  
heaven. No! Resurrection is about a new bodily life  
in this world and for this world. What they are  
saying is that in the resurrection of Jesus God's new  
creation has begun and therefore we have a job to  
do. Our calling in the light of Easter is that we are  
to be a foretaste of that new creation – both agents  
of it and beneficiaries of it. The power of Easter  
transforms our whole lives.”

– N.T. Wright

**Easter Sunday**

8:45 a.m.

Sunday, April 1, 2018

## Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church!

If you do not have a church home in the Grand Haven area, we invite you to make our church yours. We are an open congregation and we welcome you.

 Please check-in online before you silence all electronic devices

### PREPARING

PRELUDE – *Les Cloches* Nicolas le Bègue  
*Hallelujah Chorus* Handel/Fox  
*Grand Choœur Dialogué* Eugène Gigout

### GATHERING

CALL TO WORSHIP Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon

One: Glory to you, O God:

**All: On this day you won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life.**

One: Glory to you, O Christ:

**All: For us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life.**

One: Glory to you, O Holy Spirit:

**All: You lead us into the truth.**

One: Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever, for Christ is risen!

**All: Christ is risen indeed!**

### TRUMPET FANFARE

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 232 – *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

**Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!  
our salvation have procured, Alleluia!  
now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!  
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!  
Praise him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

\*LITANY FOR EASTER Rev. Jill VanderWal

One: O Christ, after your resurrection you appeared to your disciples; you breathed on them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit. You gave joy and exultation to the whole creation. Through your victory, we pray to you:

**All: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

One: O Christ, after your resurrection you sent out your disciples to teach all nations and to baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit; you promised to be with them and us until the end of the world. Through your victory, we pray to you:

**All: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

One: O Christ, through your resurrection you lifted us up, and filled us with rejoicing. Through your salvation you enrich us with your gifts. Renew our lives and fill our hearts with joy. Through your victory, we pray to you:

**All: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

One: O Christ, you are glorified by angels in heaven, and worshiped on earth. On the glorious feast of your resurrection, we pray to you:

**All: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

One: Save us, O Christ our Lord, in your goodness, extend your mercy to your people who await the resurrection, and have mercy on us.

**All: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

One: O merciful God, you raised your beloved Son, and in your love you established him as head of your church, and ruler of the universe.

By your goodness we pray:

**All: Hear us, Lord of glory.**

*(period of silence)*

One: O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Grant that we die daily to sin, so that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please feel free to use the Prayer Request Cards in your pew, and place it in the offering plate. Your request will be added to the confidential prayer chain.

### PRAYER of CONFESSION

**Almighty and Gracious God, in Jesus you have broken death's power. By your Holy Spirit, you bear witness to the world, and you speak into our hearts. You have done everything to bring us to you. We have come, but we admit that sometimes we prefer the darkness to the light. We confess that we do not always trust you. We acknowledge that, though we know your love, we stray from your will and way. Still, you pick us up once again. You speak perfect peace into our lives. You call us to live once again without fear. We receive your forgiveness. Help us to live as your children now and forevermore.** *(Time for silent confession)*

### CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE – *Ah, Holy Jesus*

**For me, dear Jesus, was Your incarnation,  
Your mortal sorrow, and Your life's oblation,  
Your death of anguish and Your bitter passion, For my salvation.**

### PROCLAMATION OF FORGIVENESS

One: God who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by his grace you have been saved.

**All: Alleluia! Christ is risen.**

One: Christ is risen indeed!

### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE– *Thine Is the Glory*

**Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.**

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

At the conclusion of the Children's Message children will return to the pews to sit with their family.

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### PROCLAIMING

ANTHEM – *Cross of Christ, O Sacred Tree* Lloyd Larson

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING—*1 Corinthians 15:1-11*

THE EASTER STORY TOLD—*Mark 16:1-8*

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

SERMON *The Unresolved Seventh* Rev. Troy Hauser Brydon

### RESPONDING

#### RESPONSIVE LITANY

One: When we are all despairing, when the world is full of grief, when we see no way ahead and hope has gone away:

**All: Roll back the stone.**

One: Although we fear change, although we are not ready, although we'd rather weep and run away:

**All: Roll back the stone.**

One: Because we're coming with the women, because we hope where hope is vain, because you call us from the grave and show the way:

**All: Roll back the stone.**

#### \*RESPONSIVE HYMN – *The Church's One Foundation*

**All:**

**The church's one Foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord;  
she is His new creation, by water and the Word;  
from heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride;  
with His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.**

**Women:**

**Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,  
her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
one holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food,  
and to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.**

**Choir:**

**Though with a scornful wonder, men see her sore oppressed,  
by schisms rent asunder, by heresies distressed,  
yet saints their watch are keeping, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.**

**Men:**

**Through toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,  
she waits the consummation of peace for evermore;  
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,  
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.**

**All:**

**Yet she on earth has union with God the Three in One,  
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,  
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee.**

PASTORAL PRAYER with 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.**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM – *Awake, My Heart* Carolyn Jennings

#### \*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE – *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

**Christ is risen! Raise your spirits from the cavern of despair.  
Walk with gladness in the morning, See what love can do and dare.**

**Drink the wine of resurrection, not a servant, but your friend.  
Jesus is our strong companion. Joy and peace shall never end.**