



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF LAKE FOREST

EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 17 • 7:00 AM



HE IS RISEN

Welcome

Call to Worship

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Today Jesus Christ has awakened the gift of life itself.
Alleluia!

**People: Today Jesus Christ has summoned the gift of hope again.
Alleluia!**

Leader: Today Jesus Christ has led us from darkness into light.
Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

Leader: Christ is risen indeed!

Prayer of Adoration

Leader: God of life,
this Easter morning we come to you just as we are:

**People: Some of us heavy with grief and worry,
hoping for good news again.**

Leader: Some of us light with joy and thanks,
glad to come into your presence.

**People: Some of us not sure what to believe,
and are here because we are supposed to.**

Leader: Some of us not sure why we believe,
yet trusting your love anyway.

**People: Receive us as we are, we pray;
and fill us with your Spirit.**

Leader: For your love does not depend on our faith,
and your welcome does not come with strings attached,
and your life-giving path is not blocked
by the boulders of doubt, or sorrow, or pain.

**People: So just as you opened the stone from the tomb,
open our hearts in this hour, we pray,
that we too might go from here amazed.
Amen.**

232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 un - to Christ, our heav - en - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise our God, ye heav - en - ly host,

suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing.
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Passing the Peace

Scripture Lesson

John 20: 11-18

But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God."' Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God.

Reflection

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.

Hymn No. 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

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Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Refrain E C#m F#m B

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le -

al - le - lu - ia! Praise to his name. *Fine*

E C#m F#m B E

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B

- 1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
- 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
- 4 Come let us praise the liv - ing God,

E C#m F#m B *to Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for - ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

Closing Prayer

Psalm 118: 1, 14-24

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

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

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

'The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;
the right hand of the Lord is exalted;
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.'

I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely,
but he did not give me over to death.

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

This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.

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 marvellous in our eyes.

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

Charge and Benediction

Easter Sunday SCHEDULE

Sunrise Service 7:00 AM, Memorial Garden

Easter Sunday Worship 9 & 11 AM, Sanctuary

There will be a special Easter offering for Ukraine Relief at the 9 & 11 services.

Easter Egg Hunt 10:15 AM, South Lawn

Don't forget your Easter baskets!

**Additional parking will be available across the street at Lake Forest College*