

# First Presbyterian Church

April 26, 2020 • 10:30 a.m.



*Embodying Christ's inclusive love through heart, mind, and service*

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Oak Ridge, Tennessee**  
***A Congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)***

April 26, 2020 • *Third Sunday of Easter*

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Call to Worship** (*from Psalm 116*)

What shall we return to God for the Lord's bounty to us?

***We will pay our vows to God in the presence of the holy assembly.***

What shall we offer to God for the gift of life in abundance?

***We will walk in the paths of righteousness and serve God with joy!***

**Hymn**

*Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

Hymn 248 in *Glory to God*

*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.*

*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.*

*Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.*

*Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.*

*Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"*

*God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!*

**Prayer of Confession**

***God of grace, you call us to be agents of your goodness in this world; yet, we are quick to push you aside and follow our own agendas. We fail to recognize your presence with us or in the faces of those around us. Forgive us, Lord. Place our steps firmly in the way you would have us to go, so that we might, in turn, point the way to Resurrection life for others; in the name of our Risen Lord we pray. Amen.***

## **The Peace of Christ**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.  
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

***And also with you.***

Let us share the peace of Christ with one another.

## **Sung Response**

*We Are Forgiven*

Hymn 447 in *Glory to God*

***We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. (repeat)***

## **Scripture Reading**

Luke 24:13-35

## **Sermon**

*Remember to Remember*

Sharon Youngs

## **Musical Reflection**

*Day of Arising*

*Day of arising, Christ on the roadway,  
Unknown companion walks with his own.  
When they invite him, as fades the first day,  
And bread is broken, Christ is made known.*

*When we are walking, doubtful and dreading,  
Blinded by sadness, slowness of heart,  
Yet Christ walks with us, ever awaiting our invitation:  
Stay, do not part.*

*Christ, our companion, hope for the journey,  
Bread of compassion, open our eyes.  
Grant us your vision, set all hearts burning  
That all creation with you may rise.*

## **Prayers of the People - with the 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.***

## Hymn

### *Will You Come and Follow Me*

Hymn 726 in *Glory to God*

*“Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?  
Will you go where you don’t know and never be the same?  
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;  
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?”*

*“Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?  
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?  
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?  
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?”*

*“Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?  
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?  
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,  
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?”*

*“Will you love the ‘you’ you hide if I but call your name?  
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?  
Will you use the faith you’ve found to reshape the world around,  
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?”*

*Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.  
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.  
In your company I’ll go where your love and footsteps show.  
Thus I’ll move and live and grow in you and you in me.*

## Charge and Blessing

### Sung Response

#### *Irish Blessing*

*May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be at your back,  
May the sun shine warmly on your face. May the rain fall softly on your field,  
And until we meet again, until we meet again,  
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.*



*No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, or your faith journey,  
you are welcome at First Presbyterian Church.*

### ***First Presbyterian Church—A PC(USA) Congregation***

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Sharon Youngs	Pastor	Bob Cantrell	Parish Associate for Pastoral Care
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