A SERVICE FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD WITH THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

(As we prepare to worship, please silence all mobile devices.)

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS, JOYS AND CONCERNS
Mindy Douglas

Prelude (9 a.m. - Bell Choir) Crown Him Lord of All
(11 a.m. - Trumpet) Festival Trumpet Tune
arr. Linda Lamb
David German

Introit (11 a.m. only) This is the Day
Anonymous (16th Century)
This is the day which the Lord hath made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

*Call to Worship
Leader: Beloved church, behold the victory of our God: Jesus our Lord has conquered the grave.
People: Christ is risen! Alleluia!
Leader: Sin and death shall reign no more.
People: Christ is risen indeed!
Leader: Let this place resound with joy.
All: Christ is risen! Alleluia! Thanks be to God.

*Processional Hymn No. 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today Easter Hymn

*Confession of Sin
Sam Miglarese

Call to Prayer
Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit we have been raised from the waters of baptism to share in your glorious resurrection. Yet we have not lived as Easter people. We are unsure of your promise, confused about your will, and afraid in the face of danger. Like Mary, we weep at the tomb, but do not recognize your presence. Call us by name, risen Lord, that we may know you with confidence. Whenever we are tempted to fear death; whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts; whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil, forgive us our sin and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation through the love of God and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Silent Confession
Declaration of Pardon
Response (Hymn No. 587, sung twice) Celtic Alleluia

* Those who are able, please stand.
COLLECT FOR THE DAY
Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Let us pray.
People: Faithful God, the strength of all who believe and the hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ’s blessing; who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HEBREW SCRIPTURE READING
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Isaiah 25:6-9 (Pew Bible, OT Page 652)

EPISTLE READING
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

I Corinthians 15:1-11 (Pew Bible, NT Page 176)

HYMN NO. 513 (11 a.m. only)
This Is the Feast of Victory
Festival Canticle

GOSPEL READING
Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

Mark 16:1-8 (Pew Bible, NT Page 54)

SERMON
“Looking Ahead”
Mindy Douglas

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
(From A Declaration of Faith)
Sam Miglares

We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

*HYMN NO. 242
Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded
In Dir Ist Freude

*THE PEACE
Marilyn Hedgpeth

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

(Children through 1st grade enter worship during “The Peace.”)

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN
Mindy Douglas (9 a.m.), Cheryl Henry (11 a.m.)

There is no Children’s Choir rehearsal following “A Time with the Children” today. The younger children may return to the nursery. The choir children should join their parents in the pews.

DEDICATION OF OFFERINGS
In addition to regular tithes and offerings, the One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be received at this time. Please use the specially marked envelope provided in your bulletin for the OGHS offering. Your generous gifts to this offering provide relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and help empower the poor and oppressed around the world.
Offertory Voluntaries
(9 a.m. – Bell Choir) Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise arr. Hal Hopson
(11 a.m. – Chancel Choir) Spring Bursts Today (Easter Carol) Alfred V. Fedak (2014)
Andy Lang, organ

Spring bursts today, for Christ is ris’n and all the earth’s at play.
Flash forth, thou Sun, the rain is over and gone, its work is done.
Winter is past, sweet Spring is come at last.
Bud, Fig and Vine, Olive, fat with fruit and oil and wine.
Break forth this morn in roses, thou but yesterday a Thorn.
Uplift thy head, O pure white Lily through the winter dead.
Beside your dams Leap and rejoice, you merry-making Lambs.
All Herds and Flocks Rejoice, all Beasts of thicketts and of rocks.
Sing, Creatures, sing, Angels and Men and Birds, and everything.
All notes of Doves Fill all our world: this is the time of loves.

- Christina Rossetti (1830-1894)

*Doxology

Now let the vault of heaven resound In praise of Love that doth abound,
‘Christ has triumphed, alleluia’;
Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear, Repeat their song of glory here,
‘Christ hath triumphed, Christ hath triumphed!’ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Mindy Douglas

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them to the Lord.
Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.
Leader: Thanks and praise fill our hearts, Almighty God, for you are the Lord of creation and new covenant. You brought your people out of slavery to freedom, and you brought your Son from the depth of death to the glory of resurrection life. And so we gladly thank you, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven, singing the hymn of unending praise:

All (sung): Sanctus Hymn No. 565 (Haugen)

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Leader: Joy and gladness are our song, redeeming God, for in your conquest of death we see the destiny of every hope in you. Come among us in the power of your Holy Spirit, that your children may be blessed with power and grace, and that this bread and cup may become for us the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ; who, at supper with his disciples, took bread, gave you thanks, broke the bread, and gave it to them, saying, “Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.” After supper he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Drink this, all of you: this is my blood of the new covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” Great is the mystery of faith.
People:  Christ has died.  Christ is risen.  Christ will come again.
Leader:  Hope and glory are our breath, merciful God, for you have rolled away the stones of despair, oppression, lament, grief, death, sin, and fear.  Come and stand among us and breathe on us your peace, that all who labor, all who stumble, all who hunger and thirst shall meet you in the breaking of the bread.  Shape your church to be your risen body.

(Prayers of intercession and thanksgiving)

THE LORD’S PRAYER (in unison)
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  Give us today our daily bread.  Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.  For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever.  Amen.

THE SHARING OF THE BREAD AND CUP  (Gluten- and peanut-free bread is served by the baptismal font.)
We are celebrating communion by intinction today.  Please come forward, take the bread, dip it into the cup, eat, and return by the side aisles to your seat.  If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand, and the pastors will bring the elements to you in the pew.  Those seated in the balcony should proceed down to the Narthex and return to their seat.

Agnus Dei (all sing)

Communion Anthem (choir, 11 a.m.)  Alleluia  William Boyce
Communion Hymn No. 516 (all sing, 11 a.m.)  For the Bread Which You Have Broken  Kingdom

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
Leader:  Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:  It is right to give our thanks and praise.
All:  Eternal God, we praise you that your glory has dawned on us and brought us into this Day of Resurrection.  We rejoice that the grave could not hold your Son and that he has conquered death, and has risen to rule over all powers of this earth.  We praise you that he summons us into new life, to follow him with joy and gladness.  By your Spirit, lift us from doubt and despair, and set our feet in Christ’s holy way, that our lives may be signs of his life, and all we have may show forth his love.  Praise, glory, and thanksgiving to you, our God, forever and ever.  Amen.

*HYMN NO. 238  Thine Is the Glory  Judas Maccabeus
Easter lilies: If you contributed to the cost of the lilies, you may take a lily with you following worship today. If you desired for your lily to be taken to a homebound church member, please leave it in the sanctuary so it can be delivered by members of the Pastoral Care Committee.

First Presbyterian Church welcomes all who worship here. We honor and celebrate the human diversity and unity that God gives us in Christ. We welcome individuals of every age, race, nationality, gender, ability, sexual orientation, and economic circumstance to participate fully in the life of the church. So that we may better know each other, please sign the Ritual of Friendship pad, pass it along the center pew across to the shorter side pew, and then return it to the starting point, noting the names of those sitting near you. Last Sunday, March 25, we welcomed 26 visitors to worship.

THANKS to all who provided the majestic Easter lilies, presenting them as a glorious symbol of the Easter message, in memory or in honor of special ones. We are grateful to Jean Wilson, Phyllis Verhey, and Alice Raney for arranging for their delivery and placement in the sanctuary.

Our Paschal Candle and stained Red Oak Stand, crafted by Marklin Candle Design of Contoocook, New Hampshire and given in memory of Elder Ed Kwon, was originally dedicated on April 30, 2017. This candle stands as a visible sign of God’s enduring presence in our beautiful century-old sanctuary. Rooted in Passover (Pesach) and adopted by early Christians, the lit Candle represents the Risen Christ’s triumph over darkness and death, his resurrection, to become the Light of the World. The beeswax candle is inscribed with a Cross, an alpha and omega, symbols attesting to Christ’s presence among us now and always. Traditionally, the Candle, reminding us that we are preeminently an Easter People, is lit during worship services throughout the fifty days of Eastertide from Easter to Pentecost, as well as at Baptisms where it signifies that we are crucified and resurrected with Christ, and at funerals and memorial services where it visually proclaims Paul’s message in Romans 6: 3-4 that “all of us who have been baptized into Jesus Christ . . . have been buried with him . . . into death, so that just as Christ was raised from the dead . . ., so we too might walk in newness of life.”

Special thanks to Kent Foss (trumpet), Andy Lang (organ) and the FPC Bell Choir for providing music for today’s worship.

Nursery care for infants through 6 years of age is provided during worship on the second floor of the Christian Education Building. There is a changing table in the narthex, located to the left as you exit the rear of the sanctuary.

Worship bags and activity bulletins are available in the foyer for children. Books are on the pews in the narthex which young children can read and enjoy if they need to take a break from the worship service.

Hearing Assistance Receivers are available from the ushers. Before you leave the sanctuary, please turn off the receiver and place it in the specially marked receptacle or return to an usher.

Portions of today’s worship texts were reprinted from Book of Common Worship, Eucharistic Prayers, Feasting on the Word, and Glory to God.

Copies of These Days devotional books for April – June 2018 are available from the table in the foyer.
~ Joys and Concerns ~

Congratulations to Kirsten Santos Rutschman who successfully defended her dissertation this week.

Added this week: Norma Cardoni, mother of Sheila Breitweiser
Ching-Chang Chin, father of Li-Chen Chin
Paul Martin, brother of Beth Neece

Carsey Family
Mary Clark
Paul Cornsweet
Graham/Seawell Family
Julie Maxwell

Brookdale Senior Living (Durham): Julian Boswell
Crodaile Village: Bette Conroy, Bob Rankin
Crodaile Pavilion: Bob Keever, John Kerr, Florence Shackelford
Pruitt Health at Carolina Point (Durham): Helen Garrison
The Forest at Duke: Fran Bryant, Peaches McPherson

Family and Friends of Church Members and Staff:
Tom Birchfield, step-father of Wil James
Claiborne Clark, son of Arthur and Mary Clark
Kim Cummings, father of Drew Cummings
Anna Gerwe and her family, granddaughter of Barbara and Rod Gerwe
Heath, Rebecca, and Julia Huberg, friends of Kathy Parkins and Mary Kay Robinson
Marsha Hussung, sister of Brent Curtis
Patricia Kost, grandmother of Jack Kost
Ben Johnston-Krase, pastor of Durham's Farm Church
Dell McMillian, brother-in-law of Valerie McMillian
Sue Noel, resident at Crodaile Village and friend of Bill Hendrickson
Jonathan Pratt, son of Lanny Pratt
Vickie Tobey, niece of Mickey Velkey and cousin of Beth Brockman
Anne Turlington, aunt of Jack Kost

~ Serving Today ~

Liturgists: Peter Hausmann (9 a.m.); Jennie Alwood (11 a.m.)
Narthex Greeter: Delia Kwon
Ushers: (9 a.m.) Emily Wilkins (head), Christy Gudaitis, Dale Gaddis, Debbie Hamlin-Aggrey, Lea Bingham
(11 a.m.) Emily Wilkins (head), Ginny Widmark, Catherine Dumas, Mickey Velkey, Jennie Alwood, Miriam Morey
Communion Elders:
(9 a.m.) Head Elder/replenish elements: Peter Fish
   Bread: Lenore Champion (B1/Process), Marcia Lorimer (B2), Phyllis Supple (B3), Jane Brawley (B4)
   Cup: Michael Schultz (C1), Delia Kwon (C2/process), Jean Wilson (C3), Eric Wiebe (C4)
   Shepherds: Tom Bacon (center aisle), Joseph Ngumi (pulpit aisle), Laura Hanson (font aisle)
(11 a.m.) Head Elder/replenish elements: Jane Williams
   Bread: Alice Raney (B1/process), Brent Curtis (B2), Dawn Carsey (B3), Jerry Postema (B4)
   Cup: Carol Carson (C1), Ellie Dilworth (C2/process), Andy Henry (C3), Miriam Morey (C4)
   Shepherds: Cris Rivera (center aisle), Al Arrowood (pulpit aisle), Jane Wettach (font aisle)
Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Jesus Christ is risen today,
our triumphant holy day,
who did once upon the cross,
Now above the sky he's King,

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing,
unto Christ, our heavenly King,
who endured the cross and grave,
Now above the sky he's King,

3 But the pains which he endured,
our salvation have procured.
Praise eternal as God's love.
Praise our God, ye heavenly host,

4 Sing we to our God above,
Alleluia!
Alleluia!
Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss.
sinners to redeem and save.
where the angels ever sing.
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded

Day of de-light and beau-ty un-bound-ed, tell the news, the

gos-pel spread! Day of all won-der, day of all splen-dor, praise Christ

ris-en from the dead! 1 Sing of the sun from dark-ness ap-
2 Sing now of mourn-ing turned in-to

pear-ing; sing of the seed from bar-ren earth green-ing;
danc-ing; sing now the mys-tery, hope of our glo-ry;

sing of cre-a-tion, al-le-lu-ia! Sing of the
sing with thanks-giv-ing, al-le-lu-ia! Sing now of
stream from Jesus' side flowing; sing of the saints in fasting turned into feasting; sing the Lord's favor

water made holy; sing of salvation, alleluia!
lasting forever; sing, all things living, alleluia!
1 Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won. Angels in bright raiment he greets us, scatters fear and gloom. Let the church with gladness without thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors

2 Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb; lovingly rolled the stone away, kept the folded grave-clothes hymns of triumph sing, for the Lord now liveth; through thy deathless love; bring us safe through Jordan

3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life! Life is naught Refrain

where thy body lay. death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glory, risen, conquering to thy home above.
Son; endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
This Is the Feast of Victory

Refrain

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alle-

Em7 A7 D F

Em A A7 Em A7 D

luia! Alleluia! Alleluia! luia!

D F#m Bm D Bm D G

1: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Power, riches, wisdom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the people of God, and
4 Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be-

Em A7 Bm F#m G Em Asus A7 to Refrain

blood set us free to be people of God.
honor, blessing, and glory are his.
join in the hymn of all creation.
gun his reign. Alleluia!
516 For the Bread Which You Have Broken

1 For the bread which you have broken, for the
2 By this promise that you love us, by your
3 With the saints who now adore you seated
4 In your service, Lord, defend us; in our

wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
gift of peace restored, by your call to heaven a-
at the heavenly board, may the church still waiting
hearts keep watch and ward; in the world to which you

spoken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
above us, hallow all our lives, O Lord.
for you keep love’s tie unbroken, Lord.
send us let your kingdom come, O Lord.
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The *bulletin cover* “Easter Morning” is by He Qi, one of the most popular modern painters of religious themes. Here a triumphant angel announces that Christ has risen, conquering the demons of darkness who now flee from him. The women have not yet woken properly, and seem unaware of what has happened. They still mourn, but the angel is telling them that the time for grief is over. Instead of the unfurled military-style banner often held by Christ in earlier paintings, He Qi’s angel carries a luminous lily, sign of purity and peace. From *Art in the Christian Tradition*, a project of the Vanderbilt Divinity Library, Nashville, TN. Source: http://diglib.library.vanderbilt.edu/act-imagelink.pl?RC=46116 [retrieved March 28, 2018].

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