

First Presbyterian Church Worship Bulletin 5.1.22
Third Sunday of Easter

Gathering Music

Welcome & Announcements

3rd Grade Bible Presentation

Prelude

Morning Has Broken

Arr: A. Royce Eckhardt

***Call to Worship**

Brothers and sisters, if you lift your net and it is empty, Come here!

We'll cast it out again into Christ's abundance.

If you open your eyes but do not recognize the Holy One, Come here!

We'll find the Risen Christ here among us.

If your life is filled with mourning, Come here!

Christ is leading a dance of joy.

Come here, sisters and brothers!

To give blessing and honor and glory to God!

Hymn of Praise

#469 Morning has Broken

1 Morning has broken

Like the first morning,

Blackbird has spoken

Like the first bird.

Praise for the singing!

Praise for the morning!

Praise for them, springing

Fresh from the Word!

2 Sweet the rain's new fall

Sunlit from Heaven,

Like the first dewfall

On the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness

Of the wet garden,

*Sprung in completeness
Where his feet pass.*

*3 Mine is the sunlight,
Mine is the morning,
Born of the one light
Eden saw play.
Praise with elation,
Praise every morning,
God's re-creation
Of the new day!*

Call to Celebration

Trusting in God's grace, let us celebrate the new life we have found in Christ's resurrection! Let us pray...

Prayer of Celebration of the Resurrection

Lord Jesus, you reveal to us the fullness of God's love. You have called us to be fishers of people and shepherds of your flock. Teach us to follow, to love and to serve; to feed those who hunger and cast out our nets to welcome the world into your eternal realm; through Jesus Christ, the fish, the lamb, the Lord. Amen.

Prayer Song Come, Let Us with Our Lord Arise STF2084(v1)

*Come, let us with our Lord arise,
our Lord, who made both earth and skies:
who died to save the world he made,
and rose triumphant from the dead;
he rose, the Prince of life and peace,
and stamped the day forever his.*

Silent Reflection and Confession

***Proclamation of the Gospel**

Why should we weep? Joy comes to us this morning, and every moment of our lives. Jesus Christ has come, to share mercy and hope with us, so we can praise our God with joyous hearts. We will lift glad songs of joy, for all the blessings God has given to us.

**We will offer our hearts and hands in love and serve to others.
Thanks be to God, we are forgiven! Amen.**

***Passing the Peace of Christ**

In sharing the Spirit with his disciples, Christ also shared his peace with them so that they could share it with others.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another in the name of our Risen Lord.

***The Gloria Patri**

Prayer for God's Wisdom

Scripture John 21:1-8

Message Better Fish to Fry

Hymn of Response #377 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore

*1 Lord, you have come to the lakeshore
looking neither for wealthy nor wise ones;
you only asked me to follow humbly.*

Chorus:

*O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me,
and while smiling have spoken my name;
now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me;
by your side I will seek other seas.*

*2 You know so well my possessions;
my boat carries no gold and no weapons;
you will find there my nets and labor.*

*3 You need my hands, full of caring
through my labors to give others rest,
and constant love that keeps on loving.*

*4 You, who have fished other oceans,
ever longed for by souls who are waiting,
my loving friend, as thus you call me.*

Prayers of the Community & Lord's Prayer

To respect others' privacy, we ask that you first ask permission from an individual for whom you would like to request the congregation to pray. Please share only their first name and avoid detailed descriptions of their situation in awareness that your words are recorded online.

Offering Our Gifts and Ourselves to God

Offertory *Michael, Row the Boat Ashore* Arr: Fred Bock

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

May the gifts we offer this day, Kind God, bring joy to those whose mornings are hopeless, feed those whose noontimes are filled with hunger, and bring peace to those whose nights are surrounded by fears and worries. This we pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

***Benediction**

Now it is time to get up and go.

We will leave in order to follow God into the world.

Now it is time to enter the brokenness all around us.

We will go to bring the healing and peace of Jesus to all.

Now it is time to bring words of hope and grace to all.

The Spirit will give us the words we need in every moment.

Postlude *Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore*
Arr: Robert B Farlee

Remembering in Prayer

Praise and Thanksgiving: *(Lord, hear our praise):* For children learning the Word of God.

Ministry of the Church in the Community: Narcotics Anonymous

Healing and Encouragement *(Lord, hear our prayer):*

Homebound: Jean M

For those seeking healing and comfort: Kaye's friend Kay, Eric, Larry, Fred, Charity's father, Karen, Tracey, all those in recovery from drugs and alcohol and those supporting them, Dory, Les and Jan, Jody's family at her passing, Chris' friend with pneumonia, Bill's brother Dick, Allen, Ebel family, Preston, Rod, Ernie, Nicholas F and his family, Carlene & Wayne, Cindy and Steve, Adam, and Sheri and Jim, the conflict in Ukraine our nominating committee seeking church leaders for 2023.

For our Community: Those who suffer in the opioid crisis.