

EASTER SUNDAY

He is risen!

**A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Sunday, March 31, 2024 8:30 & 10:45 am**

† Indicates a time to stand, if you are able

THE GATHERING *“Christ Lay in Death’s Strong Bands” ~J. S. Bach*

† **CALL to WORSHIP** (*responsively*)

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

“Death has been swallowed up in victory!”

“Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?”

Therefore, we say again, Christos Anesti!

Christ is risen!

Alithos Anesti!

He is risen indeed!

THE PRELUDE *“Christ the Lord is Risen Today” ~arr. Mitchell-Wallace/Head*

† **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”* UMH 302

† **A PRAYER for RESURRECTION SUNDAY** (*unison*)

O Lord, thank You for making all things new. Thank You for the victory and power in Your name. Thank You that You hold the keys over death, that by Your plan, Jesus was raised from the grave, paving the way for us to have new life with You. We confess our need for You. We ask that You renew our hearts, minds, and lives, for the days ahead. Keep Your Word of truth planted firm within us, help us to keep focused on what is pure and right, and give us the power to be obedient to Your Word.

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Shine Your light in us, through us, and over us.
May we make a difference in this world, for Your glory and honor.
May we reflect Your peace and hope to a world
that so desperately needs Your presence and healing.
Thanks be to You, O Lord our God, for Your indescribable gift!
To You be glory and honor, on this Resurrection Day, and forever more!
Amen!

†SHARING the PEACE of CHRIST

†CHORAL RESPONSE *(sung in unison)*

UMH 176

*Majesty, worship His majesty! Unto Jesus be all glory, honor and praise!
Majesty, Kingdom authority, flow from His throne, unto His own,
His anthem raise! So exult, lift up on high the name of Jesus!
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King! Majesty, worship His majesty!
Jesus who died, now glorified, King of all kings!*

A READING from the GOSPELS

Matthew 28:1-10, 16-20 NIV

The Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God!

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Chancel Choir

“This Joyful Eastertide” ~arr. Alice Parker/Robert Shaw

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

MINISTRY in MUSIC

Bonnie Ross Ringers Bell Choir

“The Day of Resurrection” ~arr. Valerie N. Stephenson

PASTORAL PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER *(unison)*

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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
for Thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

SHARING HIS TITHES and OUR GIFTS

THE OFFERTORY

“Christ is Arisen” ~arr. Wilbur Held

†**THE DOXOLOGY** ~means “Praise be to God” (*sung in unison*)

UMH 94

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise God all creatures here below! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

†**PRAYER of DEDICATION**

†**HYMN of PRAYER**

“He Lives”

UMH 310

A READING from the GOSPELS

John 20:19-29 NIV

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God!

THE MESSAGE

“Show and Tell!”

Pastor Kevin Haley

Lenten worship theme: “The Touch of Jesus”

†**HYMN of COMMITMENT**

UMH 322

“Up From the Grave He Arose”

Note: Anyone who wishes to sing along with “The Hallelujah Chorus” may come forward during this hymn and come up to the chancel area.

†**DISMISSAL with BLESSING**

†**CHORAL RESPONSE**

“Hallelujah Chorus (from ‘The Messiah’)” ~G. F. Handel

†**THE POSTLUDE**

“Thine is the Glory” ~arr. Mitchell-Wallace/Head

†**GOING FORTH to SERVE**

LITURGIST: The Rev. Aimée W. Twigg

ACOLYTES: Cheyanne and Nevin Miller

TECH TEAM: Nevaeh Hirst, Cheyanne Miller

TRUMPET: Terry Lasut

Welcome home to First United Methodist Church!

Sunday morning Worship Services at 8:30 and 10:45 in the Sanctuary

(Livestream worship continues at 10:45)

We are glad that you are with us in worship today! Greensburg:First is a church where you can come to learn that God loves you just the way you are, but that God also loves you too much to let you stay this way. God wants you to become more like Jesus! If you do not have a church home of your own, we hope that you might prayerfully consider becoming a part of our church family, as we reach out with love and in the name of Jesus Christ! **Also, please help us get to know you, or to be able to contact you in the case of an emergency/cancellation, by filling out a Welcome Information Card** (inserted in this bulletin).

The Gospel of
LUKE



Bible Study w/ Pastor Kevin Tuesdays ~ 9:30am ~ Library

Jesus sums up the entire Biblical message like this:
"You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength, and with all your mind; and love your neighbor as yourself"
(Luke 10:27)

But, what does that love look like where we live? Where we work? The people we do life with everyday? This Bible study will help us live a life that is modeled after the example of Jesus Christ: developing a pattern of prayer, relating to others, establishing holy priorities, and a host of day-to-day issues that, all together, make up what Jesus called the abundant life.

Dates & Study Titles

April 2 ~ Jesus & the Disciples

April 9 ~ Prayer

April 16 ~ Following Jesus

April 23 ~ Jesus in Jerusalem

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First United Methodist Church—Greensburg

Regular Church Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8am-4pm

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