

**EASTER SUNDAY  
GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

(\*=please stand if you are able)

**Prelude**

**Welcome**

**Opening Prayer (from “Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” GTG #248)**

L: Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

**P: Hosanna! Hosanna!**

L: Celebrate this day of days!

**P: Hosanna! Hosanna!**

L: Let all creation be amazed!

**P: Hosanna! Hosanna! Christ is Risen!**

**Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez**

**Hymn of the Month**

**“For God so loved the World / Porque tanto amó al mundo”**

**Call to Confession**

The joy of this Easter Sunday reminds us of God's resurrecting power. Let us confess all that turns us toward death, so we can know the grace of new life through Christ.

**Prayer of Confession GTG#431 Forgive Us Lord / Perdón, Señor**

**For grievance and injustice; Forgive us, Lord. Aloofness and indifference: Forgive us, Lord. For weakness and transgression: Forgive us, Lord. Resistance and rebellion: Forgive us, Lord**

Savior God, forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment of others; the way we evaluate and compare.

**Por tantas injusticias: Perdón Señor. Por tanta indiferencia: Perdón Señor. Por todas nuestras faltas: Perdón Señor. Por nuestra rebeldía: Perdón Señor.**

Forgive our death-dealing sins, our habits that demean and degrade, our addiction to violent and destructive behavior. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.

**Silent Confession**

**Assurance of Pardon**

“Jesus Christ is risen today. But the pains which he endured, our salvation have procured.”

**ALL: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri GTG#581**

**“Glory Be to the Father”**

Glory be to the Father and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.

**Prayer for Illumination**

Divine Redeemer, bearer of life, open us to the wisdom of your Word today and enlighten us with your truth. Liberate us from all that distracts us and turns us from your path. Guide us and ground us in Christ's everlasting hope. Amen.

**Scripture Reading**

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain, the Lord of heavenly forces will prepare for all peoples a rich feast, a feast of choice wines, of select foods rich in flavor, of choice wines well refined. He will swallow up on this mountain the veil that is veiling all peoples, the shroud enshrouding all nations. He will swallow up death forever. The Lord God will wipe tears from every face; he will remove his people's disgrace from off the whole earth, for the Lord has spoken. They will say on that day, “Look! This is our God, for whom we have waited— and he has saved us! This is the Lord, for whom we have waited; let's be glad and rejoice in his salvation!”

L: This is the word of God. **P: Thanks be to God.**

**Anthem:**

**Scripture Reading**

Mark 16:1-8

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices so that they could go and anoint Jesus' dead body. Very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they came to the tomb. They were saying to each other, “Who's going to roll the stone away from the entrance for us?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away. (And it was a very large stone!) Going into the tomb, they saw a young man in a white robe seated on the right side; and they were startled. But he said to them, “Don't be alarmed! You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He isn't here. Look, here's the place where they laid him. Go, tell his disciples, especially Peter, that he is going ahead of you into Galilee. You will see him there, just as he told you.” Overcome with terror and dread, they fled from the tomb. They said nothing to anyone, because they were afraid.

L: This is the word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

“Jesus Christ Is Risen!”

**Rev. Jeniffer Rodriguez**

**Hymn (See Insert)**

**“Lift High the Cross / Alcemos hoy la cruz”**

**Words of Gratitude**

Give thanks to God for God is good. Let us gratefully give of our offerings to the glory of God and in praise of Christ's resurrecting ministry.

**Offertory GTG#205**

**RESPOND IN GRACE**

**“Live in Charity / Ubi Caritas”**

Live in Charity and steadfast love.  
Live in charity; God will dwell with you.

Ubi caritas et amor,  
ubi caritas Deus ibi est.

**\* Doxology**

**“Praise You”**

Praise you, praise you; let my life praise you.  
Praise you, praise you; let my life, O lord, praise you.  
Praise you. Let my life, O Lord, praise you.

**Prayer of Dedication**

God of the empty tomb, your grace astounds us, your generosity fills us to overflowing. Accept these offerings as signs of our gratitude and bless our work on Christ's behalf. May we love as Christ loved. May we serve as Christ served. Call us forth into your world, guided by Christ's spirit. Amen.

**Prayers of the People**

**\*Lord's Prayer**

**Hymn GTG#240 “¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! demos gracias / Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks (1, 4)”  
EHP#166**

**Announcements**

**Benediction**

God is Good! All the time! All the Time! God is Good!  
Celebrate this day of days! Rejoice in God, your Savior! Know the new life gifted through Jesus Christ! Shout your Alleluia's for all to hear! May the grace, hope, peace and love of God our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer be with us all, now and forever. Amen.

**The Peace**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you

**People: And also with you**

**Amen**

**Postlude**

**Prayers of the People**

God of resurrection, of new life, of new beginnings, we stand before the empty tomb full of terror and amazement — like the Scripture describes the women who first discovered this miracle. We are amazed, Holy God, by your power, by your love, by the grace you extend to us and our world, even when we are undeserving. On this Easter Sunday, we bow before you in prayer, lifting our petitions for those who suffer and struggle, and searching for the strength, guidance and hope we need to serve as your faithful disciples. In your mercy, Risen Savior, hear our prayers.

Our terror is real and debilitating, God. We fear for ourselves, for our neighbors, and for our world. Evil has gained traction, convincing many that violence and war, death and destruction are acceptable means to human ends. Forgive us, God. Turn our hearts toward what is holy and right. Turn our faces toward your risen Son, whose light graces us with peace, love, and divine wisdom. On this Easter morning, let us recommit ourselves to Christ’s path of peace and the road of Christian discipleship. This road is difficult and most challenging. But this road also leads to new and renewed life.

- Savior, hear our prayers that all who are struggling know your resurrection hope.
- We pray for those struggling under the weight of despair...
- We pray for those who feel trapped and victimized...
- We pray for those who lack necessary resources for survival...
- We pray for those who are exhausted and overwhelmed...
- We pray for those who are traumatized or depressed...
- We pray for those who are unsafe and without a place or a people to call home...
- We pray for the sick, the grieving, the loved ones we know are struggling...

God of hope, hear our prayers, as well as those we name silently now before you.

Pause for silent prayers of petition.

Strong God, we praise you as the one who rolls stones away from empty tombs and as the one who opens minds and softens hearts. We stand in awe of your power on this Easter Sunday. We celebrate your risen Son. As the flowers bloom this spring and the butterflies emerge from their cocoons, we cannot help but hope in your everlasting love, our strong foundation that grounds us even as the world around us shakes.

Now hear us as we pray together the prayer Jesus taught us saying, “**Our Father...**”.

**\*Easter Tulip Display**

- The Ellison Family, in memory of.....Charles***
- in memory of.....John Fouracre***
- Jeniffer Rodriguez, in memory of.....her Grandparents***
- In memory of.....Vida Appiah***
- Tom & Lisa Clemmens, in memory of..... Family and Loved Ones***
- Duna Fullerton, given in memory of.....Dan Fullerton***
- given in memory of.....my parents Rev. Philip Furst & Harriette Furst***
- given in memory of.....Marilyn Bonapace***
- Mabel, in memory of.....Eva Yumart***
- Nancy Marin, in memory of.....Jessica***
- Pilar Quinoy, in memory of.....her parents***
- Hank Bonapace, in memory of.....Marilyn Bonapace***
- Sue Shoenfield, in memory of.....my parents Bud and Sybill McFadden***
- In honor of.....my brothers and their families***
- Lindsay Wilkens, in memory of.....my father Don Joyce and my father-in-law Charles Wilkens***
- in honor of.....my 3 daughters Miranda, Kyla and Evelyn***

***\*Alleluia & Praise the Lord! He has risen! Amen!***

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## **EVENTS HAPPENING IN 2024**

**In person hybrid worship** is at 11AM

Zoom link is as follows:

By Computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 870 270 865

One tap mobile

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**Drumming Program** will be on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. The next session will be April 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00PM in the Fellowship Hall

**Hybrid English Bible Study** will be on Thursdays at 11AM in the Fellowship Hall.

Zoom Link bible study

By computer

Join Zoom Meeting

Meeting ID: 376 838 854

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**Spanish Bible Study** will be on Wednesdays.

**No Coffee Hour** following worship today

**Next Session Meeting** will be April 29<sup>th</sup> at 7PM

**Next Worship Team Meeting** Tuesday April 23, 2024 at 9:30AM

**Memorial Service for Rev. Raquel Welty** June 29<sup>th</sup> 11AM. More details to follow.

**Presbyterian Women 2024 Churchwide Gathering** will be August 8-11, 2024 in St. Louis, Missouri. If you are interested in attending please register at [www.2024pwcwg.org](http://www.2024pwcwg.org)

**Please Share your tithes and offerings** using the QR code below



## **Prayers and Praise**

Please pray for everyone in leadership

Please pray for children/ families

Please pray for the Otu family

Please pray for the Supina/Ruess family

Please pray for the Sevilla family

Please pray for people struggling with cancer for healing

Please pray for people struggling with mental health

Please pray for leaders, people in a position of authority

Please pray for the Denzer Family

Please pray for Heather Blenkinsopp

Please pray for the Carretta family

Please pray for the Yumart family

Please pray for the Sippel family

Please pray for the Quinoy family

Please pray for Joy and Teresa Zeiden

Please pray for Boateng family

Please Pray for Orr family

Please pray for Kiara Taylor's family

Please pray for Bruce and family

Please pray for Bob

Please pray for Curtis

Please pray for the Bonapace family

Please pray for peace in the world

**Praise Songs and Hymns**

**For God so loved the World / Porque tanto amó al mundo Dios**

God could have chosen to never love again,  
Leave all creation in sin and despair.  
But God with compassion said:  
I'll pay redemptions price and took on the form of man,  
became the perfect sacrifice.

*Refrain:*

*For God so loved the world  
that he gave his only begotten Son (begotten Son)  
that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, should not perish;  
but they shall have, they shall have everlasting life.*

En el principio al mundo Dios creó  
Todo perfecto en paz y en amor;  
pero fuimos rebeldes, pecamos sin razón mas Dios  
no dejó de amar y por nosotros se entregó. *(Refrain)*

**Lift High the Cross / Alcemos hoy la cruz**

*Refrain:*

*Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,  
Till all the world adore His sacred name.*

Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod,  
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *(Refrain)*

So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory! *(Refrain)*

*Estribillo:*

*¡Alcemos hoy la cruz del Salvador,  
Que todo ser le rinda adoración!*

Sigamos hoy los pasos del Señor,  
El Rey de gloria, Hijo del gran Dios. *(Estribillo)*

La gran canción cantemos todos hoy,  
Canción del triunfo de nuestro Señor. *(Estribillo)*

**Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks! / ¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya! demos gracias**

*Refrain:*

*Alleluia, alleluia!  
Give thanks to the risen Lord.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
Give praise to his name*

Jesus is Lord of all the earth.  
He is the King of creation. *(Refrain)*

Come let us praise the living God,  
joyfully sing to our Savior. *(Refrain)*

*¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!  
Demos gracia a Cristo Rey;  
¡Aleluya! ¡Aleluya!  
Alabemos al Señor.*

Cristo Jesús es Dios Salvador;  
del universo es Rey y Señor. *(Estribillo)*

Dios prometió a la humanidad  
vida abundante y su don celestial. *(Estribillo)*

