

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD/EASTER SUNDAY
SUNRISE SERVICE AT ROCKY GAP STATE PARK
APRIL 16, 2017 AT 7:00 AM

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

IN THE BULB THERE IS A FLOWER

NATALIE SLEETH

In the bulb there is a flower,
in the seed, an apple tree,
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness,
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

In our end is our beginning,
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing,
in our life, eternity,
in our death, a resurrection,
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day:
when tears are wiped away;
shattered hearts are mended;
fears are replaced with joy.
This is the day the Lord:
rolls away the stone of fear;
throws off death's clothes;
goes ahead of us into God's future.
This is the day the Lord has made:

death has no fear for us;
sin has lost its power over us;
God opens the tombs of our hearts
to fill us with life.
This is the day - Easter Day!
Christ is Risen! Hallelujah!

* HYMN

JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

“EASTER HYMN”

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ our heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love, Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

On this morning of hallelujahs,
we must confess how human we are, O God.
We haven't done any great evil,
but we have failed to do good when we had the chance.
We have not intentionally hurt anyone,
nor have we offered healing to the broken.
We easily accept the witness of the angel in the tomb,
but find it difficult to share this good news with our
friends and neighbors.

Where we are tired and stressed,
give us the energy to serve your creation;
transform our hardened hearts into fountains of grace;
forgive us of all the damage we have done, and fill us
with the joy of your Spirit. In the name of Jesus Christ,
who gives us new life, we pray. . .

(Silence for personal prayers and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God, our Creator, gives us new life;
Christ, our Redeemer, prepares a Table for us;
Holy Spirit, our Joy, calls us to service.

This is the good news: the tomb is empty, sin
is powerless, death is defeated forever.

**On this very first day, and every day, we walk
as God's people, forgiven and made whole.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

*** RESPONSE**

CELTIC ALLELUIA

O'CARROLL/WALKER

Alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!

*** PASSING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

(Please greet one another with signs of peace.)

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

JEREMIAH 31:1-6

MUSICAL OFFERING

THE LORD INTO HIS GARDEN COMES

ALICE PARKER

The Lord into his garden comes, the spices yield a rich perfume,
the lilies grow and thrive, the lilies grow and thrive.
Refreshing showers of grace divine from Jesus flow to every vine,
and make the dead revive, and make the dead revive.

O, that this dry and barren ground in springs of water may abound,
a fruitful soil become, a fruitful soil become.

The desert blossoms as the rose when Jesus conquers all his foes,
and makes his people one, and makes his people one.

Come, people, ye that love the Lord, and taste the sweetness of his word,
in Jesus' way go on, in Jesus' way go on.

Our troubles and our trials here will only make us richer there
when we arrive at home, when we arrive at home.

GOSPEL READING

MATTHEW 28:1-12

SERMON

REV. CAROLINE M. KELLY

* HYMN

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA! GIVE THANKS

“ALLELUIA No.1”

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

Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
Jesus has died and has risen.

Refrain

We have been crucified with Christ.
Now we shall live forever.

Refrain

Come let us praise the living God,
joyfully sing to our Savior.

Refrain

EUCCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise,
O Lord our God, Creator of the universe,
for you worked in darkness to bring all life into being,
and to bring new life through Christ your Son.

Out of that darkness you bring marvelous light, again and again.
When we shield our eyes, unwilling to see what you are doing,
still you work.

When we shut the doors, afraid to step into your new world,
still you work.

When we deny and betray, with words and with actions,

still you work.

And so we give you thanks, O God,
that your love does not depend on our faithfulness,
that your saving grace does not depend on our worthiness.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices
with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place,
who forever sing to the glory of your name:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and 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.

As we come to your table of grace filled with your bounty . . .
(the Celebrant continues the prayer)

... As we come to your table of grace,
we hear again your call to be made one, and to show the world
your love in our every action and every word.

Send your Spirit again to this place,
that just as many grains become one bread
and many grapes become one cup,
we who are many may become one with you
and with your people in every time and place.

May this feast nourish us for your kingdom,
and may your kingdom come here and now.
We pray these and all things in the name of Jesus the Christ,
who is victorious over death and who calls us by name,
and who taught us to pray together,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

*(We will be serving each other communion by intinction.
As the basket is passed to you, take a piece of bread.
As the cup is offered to you, dip your bread in the cup and then eat it.)*

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION *EAT THIS BREAD*

“BERTHIER”

**Eat this bread; drink this cup; come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread; drink this cup; trust in me and you will not thirst.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy, gracious, God,
Here at this table your promise of life is made tangible.
We have rested in the depth of your love;
We have tasted your nourishing, nurturing presence;
We accept you into our bodies, into our lives.
Together, at this table, you have offered us life.
Together, by your grace, we accept the life you offer.
And we give you thanks. Amen.

SENDING

* HYMN

CHRIST IS RISEN, SHOUT HOSANNA!

“ODE TO JOY”

**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!

* **BENEDICTION**

* When this symbol precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.
Please join in reading or singing those parts of the service printed in **bold**.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Preacher: Rev. Caroline Kelly

Liturgist: Ann Kellermeyer

Ushers: Dave and Cindy Corley

Communion Servers: Mike and Cathy Levitas

Sound: Joe Aurigemma

Musicians: Bryan Lohr, keyboard; Zach Dodge, guitar and baritone; and Mikayla Dodge, soprano

Thank you to Joe Aurigemma, Carolyn Mathews, and Cathy Levitas for worship arrangements.

Please join us for light breakfast foods and hot beverages following worship. A basket is provided for a free-will offering to help defray expenses.

You are also invited to join us at First Presbyterian Church at 11 Washington Street for our traditional Easter Morning Worship Service at 11:00 am, preceded by a time of fellowship at 10:00 AM in the church library.



Watch us live on Livestream- Sundays at 11 a.m.

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Copies of Pastor Caroline's sermons are available on the church website
at www.fpc-cumberland.org/worship/sermons.

OUR STAFF

Teaching Elder/Pastor.....Rev. Caroline M. Kelly
Director of Music MinistriesBryan Lohr
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THE SESSION

Class of 2017: Sandra Burton, Cindy Corley, Bob Courtney, Ann Kellermeyer and Bryan Wodaski

Class of 2018: Carl Belt, Carolyn Mathews, Judy Stern, Agnes Yount

Class of 2019: Shirley Giarritta, Phil Mills, Bill McElvie, and David Stickler

Clerk of Session.....Ann Kellermeyer
Moderator.....Caroline Kelly

MISSION STATEMENT

Empowered by the Holy Spirit, we worship God and proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ by loving our neighbors and promoting peacemaking, justice and care of the earth.

VISION STATEMENT

We strive to be a community grounded in the good news of God's love in Christ where all of God's children are:

- Welcomed and cherished
- Called to worship, learn and grow together in faith, and
- Sent to share God's love and justice with a broken and hurting world.

Adopted by the
Session on September 17, 2015

UPCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, APRIL 23 AT 11:00AM: EARTH DAY WORSHIP

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, APRIL 28-29: WOMEN'S RETREAT IN ROMNEY, WV

SUNDAY, APRIL 30 AT 12:15 PM: SOUTH DAKOTA LEARNING CAMP LUNCH & AUCTION

TUESDAY, MAY 2 AT 6:30PM: PLANNED GIVING SEMINAR