



GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

Sunday, April 9, 2023, 10:00 a.m.
EASTER SUNDAY

WELCOME

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: He is Risen indeed!

OPENING MUSIC

"Because He Lives"
Gilead Bell Chimes

by William Gaither
arr. by Robert Graham

OPENING SCRIPTURE

Psalms 118:24; Isaiah 65:17-18

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Leader: Heaven and earth will never be the same!

People: Let us rejoice and be glad!

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: He is Risen indeed!

THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

***PURPLE HYMNAL #232**

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, lift up strength, earthly power and status as gods, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***THE GLORIA**

Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

***THE PEACE OF CHRIST** Leader: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM "Jesus Lives, Alleluia!" arr. with new music by Lloyd Larson
Gilead Singers and **Congregation** incorporating "Llanfair"

**Verse 1. Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!**

Verse 2. Choir Only

**Verse 3. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!**

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

The children are dismissed to Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

ANTHEM "Low in the Grave" by Robert Lowery
Penny Cameron, piano; Mary Temple, organ arr. by Robert Graham

SERMON "Being Named" Rev. Martin McGeachy

***PURPLE HYMNAL #661 "His Eye Is on the Sparrow"**

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY "The Strife is O'er" Latin hymn c.1695
Elizabeth Petito, harp; Billy Petito, guitar

SCRIPTURES

¹ But now thus says the Almighty God who created you, O Jacob, the One who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³ For I am the Almighty, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴ Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵ Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶ I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—" ⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." *Isaiah 43:1-7*

¹ Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. ⁴ The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸ Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹ for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes.

¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴ When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to my Abba God. But go to my disciples and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Abba and your Abba, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸ Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her. *John 20:1-18*

***DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

***PURPLE HYMNAL #233**

“The Day of Resurrection!”

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

“The Heavens are Telling”

by Franz Joseph Haydn

arr. by Mary Charlotte & Louis Ball

Penny Cameron, piano; Mary Temple, organ

***The congregation is invited to stand. **BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings**



Christ
is
Risen!

Easter Lilies

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This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, April 9 **Happy Easter!**

- 8:30 a.m. Gilead Bell Chimes rehearse.
- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. Bring flowers for the Flowering of the Cross!
- Following worship, join us for coffee and fellowship.

Monday, April 10

- 11 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Wednesday, April 12

- 8:30 a.m. Morning prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.
- 7:30 p.m. Bible Study; the link is in the weekly email.

Thursday, April 13

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Friday, April 14

- 10:00 a.m. Gilead Food Pantry

Sunday, April 16

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Worship. The 2nd Sunday of Easter, Year A
- Host needed for Coffee & Fellowship time.

Thank you today to our lay reader, Renae Lent, and our videographer, Stephanie Gould.

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