First Presbyterian Church

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TRADITIONAL WORSHIP: 8:30am / CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP: 11:00am **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP: 9:30am in Fellowship Hall** SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:00am

8:30am Sunday, April 1, 2018 ******************

> As the prelude plays, silently come into the Lord's presence. Open your heart and give yourself up to Christ who is here to meet you today. "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

PRELUDE "The Lone Wild Bird" - Held

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul" - arr. Young

AMAZING GRACE / RINGING OF THE BELL / UNVEILING OF THE CROSS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: He is Risen!

People: He is Risen indeed!

* HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" No. 123 "He Lives" see insert

*PRAYER OF ADORATION AND CONFESSION

Holy triumphant God, we thank You and praise You for releasing us from the chains of sin. Hallelujah! We confess that we do not know how to live fully the resurrection life. Forgive us for allowing our weaknesses to keep us from achieving our full potential as Your chosen people. On this triumphant day, open our minds to the transformative power of the risen Christ. We welcome Your Spirit into our hearts and minds to strengthen us as we serve Your kingdom here, and in so doing, may You be glorified through us. In the name of our risen Lord, Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

[Please share Christ's peace with one another with handshakes, hugs, kisses—however you feel led.]

*HYMN "The Day of Resurrection" No. 118

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

(For those who wish, children grades 1-4 can leave for children's church at this time.)

ANTHEM "An Easter Introit" – Angerman and Paige

Chancel Choir

Congregation: please join the choir near the end of the anthem as directed.

Tune: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Hail now our festal day! Alleluia, Amen. Christ rolled the stone away! Alleluia, Amen. "Life" is the song we sing. Hail to the risen King! Death, where is now your sting? Alleluia, Amen.

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING Isaiah 25:6-9 (OT p652)

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING Mark 16:1-8 (NT p54)

SERMON SERMON SERIES: MARK Rev. Robert K. Bronkema

"The Stone is Rolled Away"

*HYMN "Thine Is the Glory" No. 122

WE BRING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY "Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me" – arr. Bish

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Words of Institution

Welcome

Distribution

*[Worshipers: please hold the bread, that we may eat together as Christ's one people. Please drink as you are ready, in acknowledgment of our individual standing before the Lord.] *ALLELUIA

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

"Easter Carillon Toccata" - Wagner

11:00am

Greeting & Announcements

*Praise & Worship

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today (He Is Not Dead) This Is Amazing Grace Resurrecting

Prayer & Peace

Children's Message

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Scripture Readings

Isaiah 25:6-9; Mark 16:1-8

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Communion

*Offering/Closing Song Christ Is Risen

*Benediction

Sermon Notes:		

PASTOR: Rev. Robert K. Bronkema
INTERIM DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Dr. Bruce Gerlach
DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: Beth Feiler
DIRECTOR OF YOUTH: Walter Kondratowski
LITURGIST: Karen Bachman

WORSHIP LEADER: 8:30 David Griffith / 11:00 Ali Elias ACOLYTE: 8:30 Mason Barge / 11:00 Gavin Elias

In our prayers today and your prayers this week please remember the following:

Those affected by the recent storms

Our sisters and brothers in our partner congregations of the Presbyterian Church of Honduras, Presbytery of Mthatha (South Africa) and Donegal Presbytery. This week pray for:

Honduras:Quebracho Congregation, QuebrachoMthatha:Lower Rainy Mission CongregationDonegal:Bethany Presbyterian Church, Lancaster

In need of the prayer chain? Call Sandy Bernstorf (687-7276); if no answer, call Mary Taylor (464-4745)

Deacons for April: Marcia Carle (288-2284) & Janice Bowers (687-5676)