

## Good Friday, April 18

It seems that we have developed a new tradition during these last few years as we gather on Good Friday to say a resounding "YES" to the question "Were you there When They Crucified My Lord?" These services have proven very meaningful to many of us these last few years. Each year we vary the format and every year we find new meaning in Christ's sacrifice for us. We hope you'll join us at 7:00 p.m. for this important observance.

## Easter Day, April 20 — The Resurrection of The Lord!

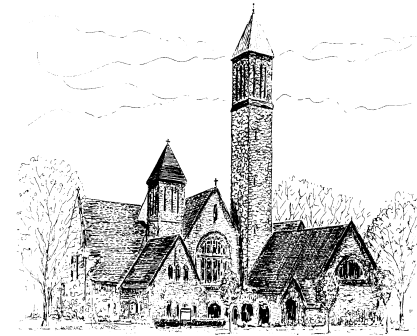
What a day it is when we can gather to celebrate the new life we have in Jesus Christ!!! This year we will continue to have two services on Easter day.

### 6:00 A.M. Easter Sunrise Celebration

Our Sunrise services have become very popular with many of our members and friends. This year we are being joined by our friends and building tenants as The Village Church with its pastor Jeremy Hazleton and others will participate with us in this early morning celebration. Special music and joyous fellowship for all will start off our resurrection celebration. We will also be able to join together in a continental breakfast in the narthex right after worship. We gather in the courtyard at 6:00 a.m. and will see the sunrise together. Please make plans to get up early and join us!

### 11:15 A.M. Festival of the Resurrection

Inside our lovely sanctuary we will celebrate Jesus' resurrection as we have for over a century here at First Presbyterian Church, and we hope you'll join us to sing out the good news of resurrection and new life. David Bond has planned some very special music and together we will hear once again the old, old story of Jesus and his love.



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## MAUNDY THURSDAY APRIL 17, 2014

*Wherever ♦ appears, you are asked to stand if you are able to do so.  
Text in **bold print** indicates congregational responses.*

### ♦CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Let us love one another, as Christ has loved us.

**We do this remembering Jesus.**

Let us serve one another, as Christ has served us.

**We do this remembering Jesus!**

### ♦PRAYER OF THE DAY (*responsive*)

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, as you wash the feet of your disciples make us ready to follow you, loving and serving one another, that we may be with you even at the cross, and share the glory of your resurrection. **Amen.**

### ♦HYMN 94

"An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare"

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### CONFESSIO (*unison*)

**God of the covenant, by your provision of the Christ, the spotless lamb, and by his blood, you have loosed the bonds of slavery, and you protect your chosen people from plague and destruction. We confess, O God, that we have been slow to use our freedom in Christ to love and serve one another. Baptized into the sinless One, we need cleansing once again, forgiveness, and liberation. Forgive us, O Christ, and set us free for loving service. Nourish us with your body and blood and sanctify us entirely, that we may have the power to faithfully fulfill our vows to you. Amen.**

### DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

As Jesus forgave even the ones who hung him on the cross, so now God forgives us, for God's mercy is truly everlasting.

**May the God of mercy who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING: Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19 *OT pages 564-565*

ANTHEM Ave Verum Corpus *W. A. Mozart*  
*Word of God incarnate, born of the Virgin Mary, who suffered on the cross for all people, make us pure by the blood flowing from Your side. Feed us with Your body so we are freed from death's agony.*

GOSPEL LESSON: John 13:1-17, 31b-35 *NT pages 108-109*

MEDITATION "As Death Looms" *Rev. Dr. Philip S. Gittings*

◇HYMN 508 "For The Bread Which Thou Has Broken" *Kingdom*

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give God our thanks and praise.**

*The Minister continues and then says:*

Therefore we praise You, joining our voices with the celestial choirs and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever say to the glory of Your name:

**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.**

*The Minister continues and in the midst of the prayer says:*

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim Your death, Lord Jesus, until You come in glory.**

*The Minister continues and concludes with:*

Through Christ, all glory and honor are Yours, almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit in the holy church, now and forever. **Amen.**

And now, with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray:

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

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HYMN 521 "You Satisfy the Hungry Heart" *Finest Wheat*  
*(Verses 3 & 4 only)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION (*unison*)

**God of grace, Your Son Jesus Christ left us this holy meal of bread and wine in which we share His body and blood. May we who have celebrated this sign of His great love show in our lives the fruits of His redemption; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

◇HYMN 101 "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" *Hamburg*

◇BENEDICTION

*Please leave the Chapel in silence.*

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*(Offering plates have been placed by the doors for those wishing to make monetary donations to the **Lyon Food Fund** at the close of the service.)*

The Soloist in the anthem was Adrienne Tworek-Gryta, soprano.