

<sup>43</sup>All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

**Hymn** *Christ is Risen* #109

**Mark 16:1-8** <sup>1</sup>When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. <sup>2</sup>And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. <sup>3</sup>They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” <sup>4</sup>When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. <sup>5</sup>As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup>But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. <sup>7</sup>But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” <sup>8</sup>So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**Sermon** Rev. Sharon Carter

### Responding in Faith

#### Affirmation of Faith

*Apostles' Creed, ecumenical* p.14

#### The Service of Giving

Prayer of Dedication Offering Music

### Notes

**+Response** *Give Thanks* STF2036

### Celebration of Holy Communion

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of 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... who forever sing to the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord of hosts (2x)**

**The whole world is full of God's glory (3x)**

**Holy is the Lord!**

Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**Breaking of the Bread**

**Communion of the People**

**Prayer After Communion**

### Going into the World

**+Hymn** *Christ is Alive!* #108

**+Charge and Benediction**

**+Postlude**

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EASTER SUNDAY



Community of Faith Presbyterian Church

April 1, 2018

+Stand as you are able

*Leader reads plain type, Congregation reads bold*

## Preparing Ourselves

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Christ candle

**+Call to Worship/ Dressing of the Church** *elements are returned to the worship space as the following litany is given*

L: Here is the cross, a sign of God's love.

**P: Jesus is our Savior and Lord, who lived and died and rose again for us.**

L: Here is the candle, the light of Christ.

**P: Jesus is the light of the world, showing us God's holy way.**

L: Here is the Bible, the book of faith.

**P: Jesus is the Word of God made flesh who came to live among us.**

L: Here is the water, a sign of God's grace.

**P: Jesus gives us living water so that we may never be thirsty.**

L: Here is the bread, the body of Christ.

**P: Jesus is the bread of heaven, the food of everlasting life.**

L: Here is the cup, a sign of God's promise.

**L: Jesus is the vine and we are the**

branches, growing together in faith, hope, and love.

## +Opening Prayer

Let us pray: **Living God, on the first day of the week you brought to birth a new creation through the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ. Fill us with the hope and joy of new beginnings, so that we may share the good news of your liberating, life-giving power with all the world; through Christ our Savior, who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and always; and in whose name we pray as he taught us: *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.***

**Hymn** *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!* #113

**Call to Confession**

## 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 ignore the cries of the oppressed, and are indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, 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. (moment of silence)**

## Assurance of Forgiveness

L: We are blessed by the resurrection of Jesus the Christ that brings us the grace and forgiveness of God. Alleluia! Amen.

**P: Thanks be to God for the grace that comes to us through Christ. Alleluia! Amen.**

**Song** *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks (Refrain only, 2x)* #106

## The Peace

L: As God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another: the Peace of Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

**Anthem** *With a Voice of Singing* - Shaw

## Hearing the Word

### Prayer for Illumination

**Living God, with joy we celebrate the**

**presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Scripture Readings

**Acts 10:34-43** <sup>34</sup>Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup>but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup>You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. <sup>37</sup>That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: <sup>38</sup>how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. <sup>39</sup>We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; <sup>40</sup>but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, <sup>41</sup>not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. <sup>42</sup>He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.