

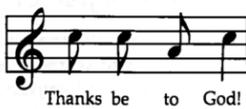
# First Church at Worship

“This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it.” God has indeed raised from the dead the one who was put to death “by hanging him on a tree.” Alleluia! God allows Jesus to appear “to us who were chosen by God as witnesses” in holy baptism and invites us to eat and drink at the table of the risen Christ. Alleluia!

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \* THE EASTER PROCESSION

*The light of Christ rises in glory, overcoming the darkness of sin and death.*

Cantor		Congregation	
	Light of Christ!		Thanks be to God!

### \* THE EASTER PROCLAMATION

Rejoice, heavenly powers! Sing, choirs of angels!  
Exult, all creation around God's throne!  
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!  
Sound the trumpet of salvation!

Rejoice, heavenly powers!  
Sing, choirs of angels!  
Jesus Christ, our King, is risen!  
Rejoice, O earth, in shining splendor,  
radiant in the brightness of our King!

Christ has conquered! Glory fills you!  
Darkness vanishes for ever!  
Rejoice, O holy Church! Exult in glory!  
The risen Savior shines upon you!  
Let this place resound with joy,  
echoing the mighty song of all God's people!

ALLELUIA! Christ is risen!  
**Christ is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!**  
Glory and honor, dominion and power, be to God for ever and ever.  
**Christ is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!**

### \* THE GREAT NOISE

*The congregation is invited to join in with the clapping of hands, rattling of keys and other sounds of noise as we celebrate the Risen Christ breaking the bonds of death!*

### \* THE GLORIA PATRI No. 70

*Meineke*

### \* THE EASTER HYMN No. 302

*Easter Hymn*

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

## THE COLLECT

O God, who for our redemption gave your only begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: grant us to die daily to sin that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## ANTHEM

Craig Courtney

*Hark, Ten Thousand Harps and Voices*

## THE FIRST LESSON

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

This is the word of God for the people of God

**Thanks be to God.**

## THE PSALTER

Psalms 118:14-17, 22-24

*Festal Song*

**God is my strength and song,  
The Savior I have found;  
Now from the tents of all the just  
Comes the triumphant sound:**

**“The Right hand of the Lord  
Has gained the victory!  
The right hand of the Lord has won,  
Has triumphed gloriously!”**

**This is the Lord's own Work  
And marvelous to see;  
The Lord has acted on this day,  
We praise his victory.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

I Corinthians 15:19-26

<sup>19</sup>If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. <sup>21</sup>For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; <sup>22</sup>for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death. This is the word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### \* THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION No. 2043

*Celtic Alleluia*

*Alleluia*

### \* THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:1-18

<sup>20</sup>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. <sup>2</sup>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.” <sup>3</sup>Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples returned to their homes. <sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; <sup>12</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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.” <sup>14</sup>When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>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.” <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” <sup>18</sup>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.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### \* ANTHEM

*Hallelujah Chorus (from Messiah)*

G. F. Handel

### CHILDREN'S MOMENT

*Long Live the King*

Rev. Kyle

*Children will remain in worship with their families.  
Nurseries provided for infants through 3 years in rooms 118 & 120.*

### SERMON

*What Does It All Mean?*

Rev. Kyle Randle

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Worth Is the Lamb*

Allen Pote

### \* PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology No. 94

### \* THE 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 our thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth.

You show partiality, but accept everybody who fears you  
and does what is right through faith.

And so, with your people on earth

and all the company of heaven

we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**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 congregation sits*

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ.  
You raised him from the dead,  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
In him we are given life.

By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection  
you gave birth to your Church,  
delivered us from slavery to sin and death,  
and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit.

On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread,  
gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you.  
Do this in remembrance of me.

"When the supper was over he took the cup,  
gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said:  
"Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,  
poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.  
Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

On the third day you raised him from the dead  
and revealed him to the women  
who had come to the tomb to tend him.

And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ,  
we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving  
as a holy and living sacrifice,  
in union with Christ's offering for us,  
as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here,  
and on these gifts of bread and wine.  
Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ,  
that we may be for the world the body of Christ,  
redeemed by his blood.

By your Spirit make us one with Christ,  
one with each other,  
and one in ministry to all the world,  
until Christ comes in final victory,  
and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Through your Son Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING THE BREAD

COMMUNION

*All are invited to the Lord's Table at the direction of the ushers. There will be three serving stations. Communion will be received by Intinction. The bread will be placed in your hand for you to dip into the Cup. Gluten Free Bread is available at the center station The offering received at the Chancel Rail during Communion will be given to Lenten Mission Project.*

MUSIC AT COMMUNION *(Please join in singing the hymns)*

ANTHEM	<i>When I Survey the Wondrous Cross</i>	Fred Mallory
HYMN No. 162	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia</i>	<i>Alleluia No. 1</i>
HYMN No. 315	<i>Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain</i>	<i>St. Kevin</i>

PRAYER AT COMMUNION

\* HYMN OF SENDING No. 318 *Christ Is Alive* *Truro*

\* BENECTION

\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

\* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Charles-Marie Widor*  
*Toccata (from Symphony V)*

\* CONGREGATION STANDING

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God.

We welcome FUMC Festival Orchestra to our worship this morning:  
Becky Krivanek, *trumpet*; Ross Fallaw, *trumpet*; Courtney Houston, *tuba*; Sam  
Hickman, *saxophone*; Janet Lawrence, *clarinet*; Kim Carey, *flute*; Lee  
Hickman, *bass*; and John Case, *percussion*;

#### WELCOME TO FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

##### Newcomers and Guests

Welcome! We are grateful that you have chosen to worship with us today. We hope that you will receive a blessing from the service. If you don't already have a church home, it is our hope that you will consider letting First Church fill that need. All worshipers are asked to sign the Attendance Pad at the end of each pew and pass it along to your neighbors.

##### We welcome children into our worship!

Children are part of the family of God. They learn how to worship God by seeing other people worship. Children are welcome in the church to worship with their parents or caregivers. We understand that sometimes it is hard to be present in worship with young children. If you choose, we have a nursery for infants and toddlers located on the first floor of the Education Wing in Rm. 118. Our nursery is staffed with paid professionals and loving volunteers. Parents are asked to sign in their children and check out a pager, so that we may contact you should the need arise during worship. An usher will direct you to the nursery.

##### Have a hard time hearing?

If you can't hear the service, please let an usher know. We have hearing assist devices which will help even the most hard of hearing to participate in the service!

A restroom is located in the Narthex, the Parlor, and the first floor of the Education Wing. Baby Changing Stations are located in the Nursery, Rm. 118.

In the hustle and bustle of getting ourselves ready for church, it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please turn cell phones off so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

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Easter Sunday

April 21, 2019

10:30 a.m.

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#### Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.