## Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

**APRIL 25, 2021** 

Fourth Sunday of Easter

10:00 a.m.

Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.

Quote for Meditation: "We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us—and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?" - 1 John 3:16,17

**GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE** 

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE: "In The Garden" written by C. Austin Miles and arranged by Martha Mier

### **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: Almighty God,

you sent Jesus, our good shepherd,

to gather us together.

May we not wander from his flock, but follow wherever he leads us,

All: listening for his voice and staying near him,

until we are safely in your fold,

to live with you forever;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Amen.

Opening Hymn: #244 "This Joyful Eastertide" Cantor Matt Petrozelli

This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.

**Refrain:** Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison,

our faith had been in vain. But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber til trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.

#### Refrain

Death's flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river. Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.

#### Refrain

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

Our heavenly Father thank you that you love us and care for us all the time. We know that this week we have not always lived the way you tell us. We have done wrong things and not done all the good things we should have done. Only you can save us, so please forgive us and help us to live as your friends. We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

#### SILENT CONFESSION

### **ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Sung response: "Gloria Patri" Cantor Matt Petrozelli

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

**SCRIPTURE LESSONS:** 

New Testament: Acts 4:5-12
Gospel: John 10:11-18

Response:

One: This is the Word of God.

All: Thanks be to God!

SERMON: "Choices" Rev. Chris Scrivens

MUSICAL INTERLUDE: "Great is Thy Faithfulness" Cantor Matt Petrozelli

William M. Runyan; Lyrics by: Thomas O. Chisholm; arranged by: Jack Schrader

### **RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING -** (in-person worshippers are welcome to leave offerings in the plate by the door on your way out.)

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PRAYER REQUESTS

### PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

### FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

**BENEDICTION** Rev. Chris Scrivens

POSTLUDE: Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" written by Helen H. Lemmel; arr. by Martha Mier

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### Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .

Pastor: The Reverend Christopher W. Scrivens

Director of Family Ministries: Deacon Melissa Ash

Music Director: Matt Petrozelli

Organist: Mary Elizabeth Rawley Ushers/Greeters: Sue Marks, Jary Jibilian

Welcome to our In-person Worship Service. Our church members are asked to introduce themselves to any visitors or members they do not know and introduce visitors to us.

Scripture Readings for April 25th: Acts 4:5-12 and Psalm 23; 1 John 3:16-24; John 10:11-18

Ushers for next Sunday, May 2nd are: Barbara Misar and Nancy Pappas



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