

Dear All,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Jesus Christ is risen! **He is risen indeed!** Hallelujah!  
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This coming Sunday, April 5, is Easter Sunday, our celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord! Our Lenten journey has consisted of forty long days and forty long nights of meaningful remembrance, reflection, grief, and anticipation as we have lifted our eyes up to the mountains. Through it all we have had very good reason to weep. But O my friends, my friends indeed, I have good news for you! Though the sorrow may last through the night, joy comes in the morning! Morning has come, and with it has come new life! In preparation for Sunday, I invite you to marvel at whatever flora adorns your home or lawn or garden. Run your fingers along the leaves and stems. Smell the flowers. Listen to the birds as you do so. And remember, the promise of Christ is the promise of new life!



We will have the special blessing of celebrating the Lord's Supper on Easter Sunday! If you will be worshipping from home, have elements of a grain-based food and your favorite beverage ready so that we can partake together at that point in the service. Remember, we are spiritually together at the Lord's Table no matter where we may be physically!

We will continue our practice of hybrid worship. This means that you are welcome to join us in person and that you are welcome to join us from home, whatever works best for you. If you are able to access technology for online worship, we will be live streaming the service via Youtube and Facebook.

For Youtube Live, please go to our channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPh2zjtSFxk2uo9\\_YWEusCO/](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPh2zjtSFxk2uo9_YWEusCO/), subscribe to it, and enable notifications. The live video should be up and running just before the service starts. If you watch later, click on our channel and then select "Live" videos. You can also watch afterward on our website at: <https://fpchighland.org/worship>.

For Facebook Live, please go to our page here: <https://www.facebook.com/firstpchighland/> around the start of worship. A recording of the service will remain on our Facebook page if you want to watch later.

As always, I have included worship materials, including the bulletin, readings, hymns, a sermon, and creative activities for disciples of all ages.

In anticipation of the Resurrection, I leave you with these words from *Matthew*:

***But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you."***

In Christ and with Love,

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