

First Presbyterian Church

April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

Resurrection of the Lord

Morrison, Illinois

10:15AM

Enter This Church That We Might Worship Together!



PRELUDE

THE GATHERING WELCOME
Pastor: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ
People: Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!

INTROIT *Morning Has Broken* No. 469

OPENING PRAYER & MOMENT FOR MEDITATION
“So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.”—Colossians 3:1-4

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsively) (Psalm 118:22-24; 27-29)
Pastor: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.
All: This is the Lord’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.
All: THIS IS THE DAY THAT THE LORD HAS MADE; LET US REJOICE AND BE GLAD IN IT!!!
Pastor: The Lord is God, and he has given us light. Bind the festal procession with branches, up to the horns of the altar.
All: You are my God, and I will give thanks to you; you are my God, I will extol you. O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever.

***HYMN** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* No. 123

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)
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 are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and 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. *Silent prayer followed by ‘Amen’.*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS** (Responsively)
Pastor: Hear the good news! The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin, and alive to all that is good. I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.
All: Amen.

HYMN

Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)

No. 579

TIME WITH THE GROWING CHURCH

(Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer (p. 16))

GOSPEL READING

John 20:1-18

SERMON

HYMN

I Danced in the Morning

No. 302

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

(Concluding with “Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.”)

*HYMN

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow (Doxology)

No. 592

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

(Unison)

Pastor:

Eternal God, creator of the world and giver of all good, we thank you for the earth, our home, and for the gift of life. We praise you for your love in Jesus Christ, who came to heal this broken world, who died rejected on the cross and rose triumphant from the dead. Because he lives, we live to praise you, our God forever.

All:

Gracious God, who called us from death to life, we give ourselves to you; and with the church through all ages we thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Pastor:

Yours, O Lord, are grandeur and power, majesty, splendor and glory.

All:

All in the heavens and on the earth is yours, and of your own we give you. Amen.

*HYMN

Christ Is Alive!
Christ Is Risen, Shout Hosanna!

No. 108 Vs. 1, 5
No 104

*BENEDICTION

(Responsively)

Pastor:

The Lord has risen!

People:

The Lord has risen indeed!

POSTLUDE**

PASSING OF THE PEACE

(greeting: “Peace be with you,” response: “and also with you”)

*You are invited to stand for this portion.

**Please remain seated until the conclusion of the postlude.

The Bible verses are read from the New Revised Standard Version (NRSV).

Donations may be placed in the offering plate near the narthex door.

Depart This House That We Might Witness Together!

Remember in prayer: residents and staff of Resthave, Homestead and Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View); God’s Will Giving Center; Bev & Larry Bealer, Dan Brandon, Glenda Hegwood, Dale Johnson, Barbara Marti, Allyison Mucci, Marian Osborn, Youdelka Philippe (MSH), Jody Tucker, Rachael Tucker, Ray Tucker.

Love one another!

Livestream Worship Services

Each Sunday at 10:15am from the church's Facebook group page: www.facebook.com/groups/firstpresmorrison. And after the service on YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@firstpresmorrison>

Bible Study We will meet Tuesdays at 9:30am at Highlight Health (formerly Pleasant View).

Drive-Up Meal The next meal will be on April 24. We will be serving pulled pork sandwich and sides. Meal begins at **5PM**. Help is needed on Wednesday at 1:30pm and Thursday starting at 4:15pm. We will be offering in person dining.

Volunteer Breakfast Please remember that this Tuesday at 9am Resthave is having their annual Volunteer Breakfast. Everyone who has ever volunteered or is planning to do so in the future please come.

Birthdays

04/22: Alyssa Sibley

Upcoming Events:

04/20:

10:15am Worship Service/No Coffee Hour

04/21:

2pm Social Hour @ Resthave

6:30pm Session Meeting

04/22:

9am Resthave Volunteer Breakfast

9:30am Bible Study @ Highlight Health

04/23:

1:30pm Meal Prep

04/24:

5pm Free Drive Up Community Meal

04/26:

9am Morrison Recycle Day

10am 2nd Annual Wiffleball Tourney

04/27:

9:15am Sunday School

10:15am Bulletin-Free Worship Service

11:15am Coffee Hour

Rockwood Clean Up Day

STAFF

Pastor. Rev. Dr. Mike Selburg

Office Manager. Stacie Baker

Organist. Scott Vandermyde

Custodian. Courtney Bruckner

SESSION

ELDERS:

Rick Barr
Lexie Laughlin
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Scott Vandermyde
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The Lord has risen indeed!

—Luke 24:34

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;

his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."

The Lord is my strength and my might;

he has become my salvation.

There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;

the right hand of the Lord is exalted;

the right hand of the Lord does valiantly."

I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has punished me severely,

but he did not give me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness,

that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

This is the gate of the Lord;

the righteous shall enter through it.

I thank you that you have answered me

and have become my salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing;

it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

—Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24