

## Meditation

## Hymn of Praise

*Christ Is Alive!*

## Prayers of the People

### 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.*

## Sending

## Songs of Praise

*Lord, I Lift Your Name On High  
Our God Reigns*

### Charge and Blessing


Hear the Good News!  
Christ has been raised from the dead!  
Christ is the first fruits of those who have died!  
Christ has died for us.  
Christ has been raised again from the dead, for us.

Live as people of Christ.  
Spread this news of Christ's resurrection to all.  
Live each day as though you are saved.  
Through the love of God our Creator,  
the mercy of Christ our Redeemer,  
and the great joy of the Holy Spirit, our Sustainer. Amen.

## Departing Music

## Receiving the Offering

*Thank you for supporting the ministry of First Presbyterian Church  
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With great power  
the apostles continued  
to testify to the **resurrection**  
of the Lord **Jesus**.

And God's grace was so  
powerfully at work in them all.  
He is not here; he **has risen!**  
Acts 4:33 and Luke 24:6-7

*Happy Easter*

**Sunday , April 4, 2021**

### This Week at FPC

#### Monday - April 5

Office Closed

#### Tuesday - April 6

10:00 am Quilters Guild  
12:00 pm Bible Study  
6:30 pm Boy Scouts

#### Wednesday - April 7

12:00 pm Scripture & Prayer  
1:00 pm My Glacier Village

#### Thursday - April 8

9:00 am Staff  
10:00 am Personnel Team

#### Friday - April 9

11:00 am Women Who Read

#### Sunday - April 11

10:00 am Worship  
4:00 pm School of Rock

## Cowboy Up 14th Annual Auction

Virtual Fundraiser for the Samaritan House



**April 10-20, 2021**

Place your bids at:

[biopal.net/cowboyup2021](https://biopal.net/cowboyup2021)

Auction packages with live bidding and

Fund-A-Night donations

[www.samaritanhousemt.com](http://www.samaritanhousemt.com) 406-257-5801

### Women Who Read



All ladies are welcome to join this fun  
reading group where friendships are made.

Friday, April 9 @ 11:00 am

Wheat Montana

Book: *Little Fires Everywhere*

Celeste Ng

## Adult Education Opportunities

### Tuesday Noonday Book Study

Our new study, *Kneeling With Giants* by Gary Hansen, began March 30. This guide to prayer is rooted in centuries of Christian tradition. In each chapter we'll meet a figure from church history, such as St. Benedict, Martin Luther, John Calvin, St. Ignatius, Teresa of Ávila and Andrew Murray. We'll learn how each of these spiritual giants uniquely connected to God through prayer. Books are available in the office for a suggested cost of \$15.

### The Psalms Wednesdays at 12:00 pm

Join us in-person or via Zoom as we gather to study the Psalms and pray together. Links will be emailed each week. There is much laughter and love to go around as we read the Psalms gleanings insights into the Word of God from Pastor Glenn and each other.

### TIM (Theology In Ministry) Talks

Mark your calendar — coming April 25-27 at Glacier Camp! See your newsletter for more information!

Gathering

Opening Reading

Special Music

Call to Worship

Leader

At the break of dawn, a bird sings.

People

The long night of darkness is over.

Leader

The stone is rolled away.

People

The tomb is empty.

Leader

The sun begins to shine.

People

The Son has risen!

Leader

It's a morning of glory,

People

Of love overcoming death,

Women

Of women spreading good news,

Men

Of men turning from despair.

Leader

It's a morning of joy,

People

For Easter has come again.

Leader

Love is stronger than death,

People

And we lift our voices in praise.

Songs of Praise

Easter Prayer

We gather, O God, in your presence to rejoice in the light of the empty tomb.

The stone has been rolled away,

both from the mouth of the tomb and from the depths of our hearts.

We have learned to live in the power of the risen Christ.

We have grown daily in the presence of our risen Savior.

Some of us, however, have joined us today after a long winter of the soul.

We have struggled to breathe in the chill wind of adversity.

We have been unable to grow anything in the barren fields of doubt and fear.

We have trembled and shivered as we have struggled to sense the warmth of your love.

We come to the empty tomb with an expectant hope in our hearts

and the prayer of faith on our lips.

We are confident that you are about to do a new thing, O God.

We believe that the stone, which we struggle to move ourselves,

is about to be blown out of its ruts.

We look for an encounter with the risen Christ,

and to that end we bow in worship, and worship in wonder,

and wonder in faith, and have faith in you.

Amen.

Medley for Lent

Glorify Thy Name

Shine Jesus Shine

Special Music

The Word

Prayer of Illumination

Psalm of the Day

Gospel Reading

Thank You Jesus for the Blood

Holy God, you give us your Word to teach us, to encourage us,

to allow us to know you more.

May the words we hear, read and speak today change us from the inside out.

Let us not be only hearers of the Word but doers as well.

Clear our minds of distraction as we prepare to hear from you.

We love you and thank you for giving us a message of hope, truth and life.

Let us not keep it to ourselves,

but help us go from this place eager to share it with others.

In your holy name we pray.

Amen.

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

1

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

2

Let Israel say, “His steadfast love endures forever.”

14

The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

15

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.”

17

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

18

The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

19

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them

and give thanks to the LORD.

20

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

21

I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.

22

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

23

This is the LORD’s doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

24

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Mark 16:1-8

1

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.

2

And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb.

3

They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?”

4

When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back.

5

As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

6

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.

7

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.”

8

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.