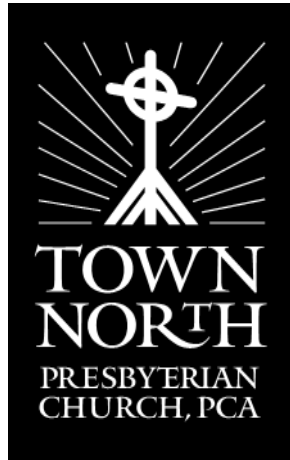


*Town North is a community of disciples
making disciples of Jesus.*



The Week's Order of
WORSHIP
for
THE LORD'S DAY

April 4, 2021 10:30 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

REFLECTION

“How do we receive those benefits which the Father bestowed on his only-begotten Son – not for Christ’s own private use, but that he might enrich poor and needy men? First, we must understand that as long as Christ remains outside of us, and we are separated from him, all that he has suffered and done for the salvation of the human race remains useless and of no value for us.”

-John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*, (Ford Lewis Battles translation)
3.1.1.

PRELUDE

Lynna Harbison
(Church elders will be available in the front to pray personally with anyone during the prelude)

ACTIVITIES & CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

Pastor David Rogers

* SCRIPTURE READING

Pastor David Rogers

Matthew 28:1-9

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.” ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came up and took hold of his feet and worshiped him.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTOR: Christ the Lord is risen!

PEOPLE: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

PASTOR: Glory and honor, dominion and power,
be to God forever and ever!

PEOPLE: **Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Hymn 277 (vv 1-5)

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today,” Alleluia!
sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
sing ye heav’ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!
death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
foll'wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
made like him, like him we rise; Alleluia!
ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia!
thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!
hail, the Resurrection, thou! Alleluia!

* PRAYER OF INVOCATION

* CONFESSION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

PASTOR: People of God, what do you believe?

**ALL: We believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell**

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Amen.

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

**ALL: Almighty God, you have given us new life through your Son. By
your grace and mercy, forgive us for the ways we have not lived
according to this new life. Forgive us for not believing your
promises. Renew us today by the resurrection of your Son Jesus.
Amen.**

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

*In these moments, we individually come to God
in prayer, silently confessing personal sins so that we may
take hold of the forgiveness won for us by Christ, our Redeemer.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON AND PEACE WITH GOD

Romans 6:4-5

PASTOR: We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Hymn 274 (vv 1-3)

Thine Be the Glory

Thine be the glory, risen, conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won;
angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded graveclothes,
where thy body lay.

Refrain

Thine be the glory, risen conqu'ring Son;
endless is the vict'ry thou o'er death hast won.

Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom;
let the church with gladness, hymns of triumph sing,
for her Lord now liveth, death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
life is naught without thee: aid us in our strife;
make us more than conqu'rors, thro' thy deathless love:
bring us safe thro' Jordan to thy home above.

PRAYING TOGETHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

Pastor David Rogers

* PREPARING TO HEAR GOD'S WORD

Hymn 286 (vv 1-5)

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Rise, O church, and lift your voices,
Christ has conquered death and hell.
Sing as all the earth rejoices;
resurrection anthems swell.
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur,
scoffers mock and sinners jeer,
but the truth proclaims a wonder
thoughtful hearts receive with cheer.
He is risen, he is risen,
now receive the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid him,
empty now, its mouth declares:
"Death and I could not contain him,
for the throne of life he shares."
Come and worship, come and worship,
worship Christ, the risen King!

We acclaim your life, O Jesus,
now we sing your victory;
sin or hell may seek to seize us,
but your conquest keeps us free.
Stand in triumph, stand in triumph,
worship Christ, the risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble,
see the stone removed with power;
all hell's minions may assemble,
but cannot withstand his hour.
He has conquered, he has conquered,
Christ the Lord, the risen King!

* SCRIPTURE READING

Wayne Bowman, Elder

Colossians 3:1-4

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. ³ For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

APPLYING GOD'S WORD

Rev. David Rogers

Christians are Parasites

* RESPONDING IN SONG

Ensemble & Congregation

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found;
he is my light, my strength, my song;
this cornerstone, this solid ground,
firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
here in the love of Christ I stand.

There in the ground his body lay,
light of the world by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day,
up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
for I am his and he is mine—
bought with the precious blood of Christ.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
the wrath of God was satisfied;
for ev'ry sin on him was laid—
here in the death of Christ I live.

No guilt in life, no fear in death—
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
can ever pluck me from his hand;
till he returns or calls me home—
here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

* BENEDICTION

Revelation 20:6

PASTOR: Blessed and holy is the one who shares in the first resurrection! Over such the second death has no power, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and they will reign with him for a thousand years. Amen.

POSTLUDE

Lynna Harbison

SERMON NOTES

Christians are Parasites

Colossians 3:1-4

Next Week:
Text: Matthew 21:12-17
Preacher: Pastor Andrew Cies

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ACTIVITIES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY	Easter Worship Service— <i>Sanctuary & by Livestream</i>	10:30 a.m.
TUESDAY	Ladies Morning Study— <i>by Zoom</i>	9:30 a.m.
	Session Meeting	6:00 p.m.
	Ladies Evening Study— <i>CE Rm 201 & by Zoom</i>	6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY	Wednesday Night Prayer— <i>by Zoom</i>	7:00 p.m.
THURSDAY	Men’s Bible Study— <i>by Zoom</i>	6:30 p.m.

Church activity calendar is available on-line at www.tnpc.org/events

WORSHIP SERVICE SANCTUARY AND BY LIVESTREAM

- LIVESTREAM ACCESS:**
1. Go to the Town North website: www.tnpc.org
 2. Click on the box that says: “Livestream”.

THE FLOWERS LAST SUNDAY — Were given in honor of Kathy Voigtsberger’s father, Mannie Abbate, and Mom, Rose; and in celebration of his home going to join her in heaven before the throne of God.

THE FLOWERS THIS MORNING — Are for the praise and glory of our Lord and Savior, Jesus. HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!

LEBANON PROJECT — To support Pastor Imad Aubrey’s ministry in Lebanon, please write checks payable to Town North Presbyterian Church with “Lebanon Project” on the memo line.

SUPPORTING OUR MERCY MINISTRY — Your gracious donations, “Deacons Fund,” on the memo line, allow our Deacons to bring financial relief to members and others in need.

LIFECCHANGE OFFERING — Supports our missions efforts. To make a donation, specify “LifeChange” on your check or with your e-gift.

TNPC WOMEN’S DISCUSSION EVENT — Ladies, join us for a discussion called Walking With One Another Through Fears, Anxieties and Depression on Saturday, April 17 at 2pm, in the TNPC Courtyard. Please RSVP to Kelly Rogers.

Fiscal Year 2021

Totals through March 28, 2021

(Our fiscal year starts July 1 and ends June 30)

General Fund Income	\$ 911,279
Designated Giving	\$ 76,336
Total Expenses	\$ 673,353
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