



# Memorial Presbyterian Church

## SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Resurrection of the Lord

April 5, 2015

### GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

*Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:  
Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection,  
may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

PRELUDE

*The Women at the Tomb*  
A Prelude on "Hail Thee, Festival Day!"

Dorothy Papadakos

BRINGING THE LIGHT

INTROIT

*Now the Green Blade Rises*  
Verses 1-3 – Chancel Choir

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Verse 4 – All sing:

When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,  
your touch can call us back to life again;  
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:  
love is come again like wheat arising green.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:

**God has given us new life and hope  
by raising Jesus from the dead.**

God has claimed us as his own:

**God has made us light to the world.**

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

**He is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*ADMITTING OUR BROKENNESS

**God of all hope and joy, we confess  
that we continue to live in fear.  
You raised Jesus to new life  
yet we hold onto former things.  
You offer salvation to all  
yet we fail to share this good news.  
Forgive us, God of grace.  
By your Spirit, make us witnesses  
to the wonder of the empty tomb  
and the fullness of life you promise;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*THE PEACE

The risen Christ came and stood among his disciples and said,  
"Peace be with you."

**Then were they glad when they saw the Lord. Alleluia.**

The peace of the risen Christ be always with you.

**And also with you. Alleluia.**

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,  
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

## PROCLAIMING THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR UNDERSTANDING

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10:34-43

Page No. 957

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

John 20:1-18

Page No. 944

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

#### ANTHEM

*Canticle for Easter Day*

#### MESSAGE

*Go and Tell*

Tracy L. Evans

#### \*SONG OF FAITH

*Woman, Weeping in the Garden*  
KINGDOM

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#### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith, parts 1, 2, 5 & 6

Hymnal, p. 37

#### SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

(Response) ...By your grace, O God, **raise us from death to life.**

The Lord's Prayer

Hymnal, p. 35

#### THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

*Easter Toccata*

Alfred Fedak

#### \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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DEDICATION PRAYER

## SEALING THE WORD—CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

#### \*COMMUNION SONG

*This Is the Feast of Victory*

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#### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

SANCTUS

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**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest.**

...Great is the mystery of faith:

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

...Through the Lord Jesus Christ, in the unity of the Spirit, we bless you, God of glory, now and forever.

NINE-FOLD AMEN

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BREAKING OF THE BREAD

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

COMMUNION MUSIC *That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright* Raymond Haan

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD**

\*SENDING SONG

*Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

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HYMN TO JOY

\*TAKING LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

\*BLESSING AND CHARGE  
CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Now Let the Heavens Be Joyful*

\*POSTLUDE

*Toccata Festiva*

Franklin Ashdown

\*Those who are able may stand.

We invite anyone who wishes to consider membership in this church to contact the pastor or a member of the session. You may also indicate interest in membership by checking the appropriate column in the ritual of friendship booklet. Membership in this church is a step made by profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith or transfer of church letter.

**Lectionary Readings** for April 12: Acts 4:32-35; Psalm 133; 1 John 1:1–2:2; John 20:19-31.

The **Urban Mission** item of the month for April is **peanut butter**. Please place your donations in the box by the church information table.

**Hearing-assistance devices** and **large print hymnals** are available from the ushers.

**Ushers** for today's service are Mike and Joan Cole.

**Communion servers** for today's service are Jan & Charles Johnson, Jessica Farris and Esau Jangha.

**Pastor Tracy** will have elective surgery on Tuesday and will be out of the office for 10 days. Please contact any deacon in case of pastoral emergency.

We welcome the **Central Oklahoma Polymer Clay Guild** for the fourth consecutive year as they hold their annual retreat in Fellowship Hall this Thursday through Saturday. Please be aware that this area will be occupied during those three days.

Please remember in prayer the six youth and one adult sponsor who will be going to **Youth Quake** this Friday through Sunday: Jim Annoh, Joan Cole, Kaylee Eyabi, Gysheilla Jangha, Elvira Sama, Lyne Sama and Mariolise Sama.

Our annual **Spring Cleanup Day** will be Saturday, April 18, beginning at 8:00 A.M.

The Deacons will host a **wedding shower** for Holly (Forsyth) McClure and her husband Matt on Sunday, April 19 at 2:00 P.M. Holly and Matt are registered at Dillard's and Target. The Deacons will also host a wedding shower for Corey Fisher and her fiancé Tanner Smith at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, April 25. Corey and Tanner are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond and Target.

Save the date for Memorial's **50th Anniversary** Celebration Luncheon following a special worship service on Sunday, May 24. If you are in contact with former members who would like to be a part of the celebration, either in person or by a remembrance card, please contact Jona Thiessen at [jthiessen2@att.net](mailto:jthiessen2@att.net) and we will gladly add them to our invitation list. The 50th Anniversary Committee is seeking direct donations from the congregation to cover the expense of the celebration. If you would like to contribute, simply mark your donation "50th Anniversary Celebration". There is no specific line item in our budget for the party, so anything received will be greatly appreciated!

As part of the **ecumenical prayer cycle**, we ask you to pray for a particular region of the world each week. This week we pray for East Timor, Indonesia and the Philippines. We give thanks for the witness of those who work towards an end to violence; for those who have worked for greater understanding among different religions; for those who stand with the poor; for gamelan, gongs, and bamboo buzzers; for shadow puppets, an ancient art with which Christians tell Bible stories; for rice from fertile soil and fish from the warm sea. We pray for the rebuilding of East Timor into a stable and independent nation; for healing for all those who have suffered the loss of loved ones and livelihood because of religious strife and political conflict; for the Christians of Ambon, who after years of peace with their Muslim neighbours have endured a long and deadly conflict; for refugees and internally displaced people who long to return to their families and homes; for women who leave their country in order to provide for their families; for contact between different ethnic and religious groups, to bring deeper understanding and tolerance, rather than hatred and violence; for governments that will end corruption and strive for true justice and peace for all; for the people of West Papua who are denied their rights; for those trapped in dire poverty, that they may have food, shelter and security; for those who must rebuild their lives after volcanic eruptions, mudslides, typhoons and tsunamis; for the victims of extrajudicial killings and violence in the Philippines, and the Christian ministries of care and advocacy for justice, the establishment of rule of law and restitution for victims.

**SUNDAY****April 5**

- 9:30 A.M. – Easter Breakfast & Egg Hunt
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service with Communion

**WEDNESDAY****April 8**

- 3:00 P.M. – Kids' Club
- 5:00 P.M. – Children's Choir
- 6:30 P.M. – Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY****April 9**

- 6:30 P.M. – 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Planning Meeting

**SUNDAY****April 12**

- 9:30 A.M. – Sunday School
- 10:30 A.M. – Fellowship and Refreshments
- 10:55 A.M. – Worship Service
- 4:30 P.M. – Deacons Meeting

**Stewardship Update**

January 1 to March 31, 2015

	<b>Actual YTD</b>	<b>Budget YTD</b>	<b>2015 Budget</b>
<b>Pledges</b>	\$34,313.85	\$37,497.99	\$149,992.00
<b>Other Income</b>	\$4,984.90	\$8,398.47	\$33,594.00
<b>Total Income</b>	\$39,298.75	\$45,896.46	\$183,586.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	\$43,303.92	\$46,488.00	\$185,954.00