

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
3rd Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.

April 26, 2020

Prelude

This Joyful Eastertide

Keith Kolander

Ringing the Worship Hour

Welcome

Centering Prayer

Gracious God, open the eyes of our hearts that we may recognize your presence among us as the one who lives and reigns through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen

ADORATION

**Call to Worship*

Sing praises to God, all you faithful, give thanks to the Holy One!

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes in the morning.

You turn our weeping to dancing O God; you clothe us in gladness.

We join and sing, Alleluia to Christ our King!

**Hymn 267*

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

MADRID

CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Trusting in God's love in Jesus Christ let us confess our sins before God and one another.

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, our world is filled with corruption: power disguises itself as truth; convenience masquerades as goodness; selfish pleasure imitates love. We confess to you, O God, that we have been caught in the web of the world's sin. By the power of the Holy Spirit, save us from these deceptions and free us for glad service and obedience, that we may see in the joy of Jesus' resurrection and receive the promise of everlasting life.

Silent Prayer

Declaration of Forgiveness

God will not leave us abandoned. God promises salvation to all who are near and far. Hear and believe the good news that comes from God.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

**Hymn 243 (twice)*

Be Not Afraid

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PROCLAMATION

A Time for Young Disciples (The Smith Family)

Prayer for Illumination (Eliza Asbury)

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon

What if God Was One of Us

The Rev. Emily Berman D'Andrea

RESPONSE

Sung Response 231

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

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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.

Community Life (Susan Haynes)

Though we are apart from one another, we are continuing to stay connected in this time. We invite you to tune into our various Zoom meetings that happen throughout the week. This week we will have Youth Group Zoom at 5pm tonight, Faith Hope and Lunch Monday at 12:00pm, Men's Bible Study at 6:30am on Wednesday, All Church Bible Study Wednesday at 10:00 am. We have brought back our Sunday school classes for K-4, Middle school, Confirmation, and Adult Education. We hope you will join us next week at 10:00am on Sunday before service starts for Sunday School. Our General Presbyter, The Rev. John Molina-Moore will join us for Adult Education and will preach in worship. Finally, please be in touch with Chris McAuliffe by email at chris.mcauliffe@PotomacPresbyterian.org if you have any questions for how to access these virtual gatherings and services.

Offering (Robert Haynes)

Offertory

God's gifts to us are bountiful and abundant. In gratitude for all God has done for us and given to us let us offer our hearts and the fruit of our labor to God's service.

There are many ways that you may continue to be a part of what God is doing in and through Potomac Presbyterian Church. We continue to rely on all of our financial donations and so, even as we are not worshipping in the church sanctuary, you are invited to give to Christ's work by either mailing your check to the church, where mail is picked up regularly, or, you may donate online through our secure website @PotomacPresbyterian.org and give by credit card or set up a direct withdrawal.

We continue our support of Nourish Now, a local organization helping to alleviate food insecurity in our County. Your donations toward the Hunger Relief Kits consisting of non-perishable pantry items may be dropped off at Elder Marianne Beardall's home in Potomac.

Please take a moment to reflect on how you are able to give in this time of great need.

**Prayer of Dedication*

By your grace O God, accept the fruit of our labor and the offerings of our lives. Let us be a sacrifice of thanksgiving and praise in union with our risen Lord today and always, we pray through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

**Hymn 254*

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

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**Benediction*

Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Wayne L. Wold

We celebrate these birthdays this week:

4/26 - Gabi Henderson

4/27 - Camille Kendall, Nelia Scioli, Braden Woodside

4/28- Robert Mitchell, Rob Wescott

4/29 - Dolly Shalaby

4/30 - Carolyn McGill

5/2 - Kathryn Haynes

If we are missing your birthday, please contact Jeanne Grillo at admin@potomacpresbyterian.org.

We continue to keep in our prayers: *Members of the Armed Forces and their families; Ruth Andrew, mother of Tom Andrew; Margie Bedingfield; Mike Cronin; Dave Gorman, son of Nancy Tietjen & brother of Beth Rudnic; Atef Griess, brother of Magda Shalaby; John Jordan; Kenny Kent; Velma Killion; Gloria Leber; Olivia Mabeus and Karen Ruan; Rosalie Mamalian, mother of Paul Mamlian; Nettie Propps; Cam Sanders, nephew of Marcia Boogaard; Millie Rowan; Nancy Tietjen; Kara Trenkamp.*

We pray for health and wholeness for all suffering from COVID-19 and for all medical professionals and researchers seeking a cure, providing care, and helping to alleviate the strain.

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Pastor Emily at emily.dandrea@potomacpresbyterian.org or call Jeanne in the church office at 301-299-6007.

Names will remain on the prayer list for six weeks, unless otherwise requested.