THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF GREENLAWN April 12, 2020 – 10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday

WELCOME

GATHERING MUSIC

CALL TO WORSHIP

Day has dawned, and shadows are left behind. The stone is rolled away and hope is reborn.

This is the day that our God has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

God opens to us the gates of righteousness.

We enter to give thanks to our God.

We give thanks, for our God is good. God's steadfast love endures forever.

Set your minds on things that are above.

Look up and welcome Christ's appearing.

We have been raised with Christ.
Glory is being revealed to us on this holy day.

HYMN

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today
Jesus Christ is risen today! Al-le-lu-ia!
Our triumphant holy day. Al-le-lu-ia!
Who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King. Al-le-lu-ia! Who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia! Sinners to redeem and save. Al-le-lu-ia!

But the pains which He endured, Al-le-lu-ia!
Our salvation have procured. Al-le-lu-ia!
Now above the sky He's King. Al-le-lu-ia!
Where the angels ever sing. Al-le-lu-ia!

Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise eternal as God's love.
Praise our God, ye heavenly host. Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia!

EASTER HYMN

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, the message of Easter has come again before we were ready to receive it. The Palm Sunday parade demanded very little of us. We could join in the hosannas. But the betrayal and denial, the suffering and shame, the agony and death, have left us fearful and shaken. We have become enemies of Jesus without intending to be disloyal. We have left him in the tomb, lest he upset our daily lives. The Jesus of long ago seems more comfortable to us than the Christ who is risen today in our minds. We confess our reluctance to let Christ claim us and change us. O God, we need forgiveness! Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. World without end. Amen, Amen.

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational Response:

Breathe on me. Breath of God. Fill me with life anew, That I may love what Thou dost love, and do what Thou wouldst do.

OFFERING SENTENCES

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DOXOLOGY

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

O God, You have become our light and our salvation. Let these gifts open the gates of joy to all who hunger and thirst for Your holy presence on this and every day. May they bear the gifts of Alleluia which we hold so dear, and may we give with great joy. We pray in the name of our Risen Savior, Amen.

SERMON "He Is Risen!" Rev. Dr. Van Cleef

*HYMN # 228

8 The Day of Resurrection! LANCASHIRE
The day of resurrection! Earth tell it out abroad.
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from this world to the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.

Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see a-right
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light.
And listening to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth the song begin, Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein. Let all things seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend, For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:

God be with you till we meet again. Loving counsels guide, uphold you, With a shepherd's care enfold you. God be with you till we meet again.

Till we meet, till we meet, till we meet at Jesus' feet,

Till we meet, till we meet, God be with you till we meet again.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND JOYS

TO THE KITCHEN FOR COFFEE!

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