

Welcome to all who gather here today.

Located in your pew you will find:

- ✦ Index cards for submitting prayer requests during Joys and Concerns; please place your index cards in the offering plate.
- ✦ Visitor cards to be placed in the offering plate
- ✦ A pew envelope for an offering

We hope the service enables you to worship God meaningfully.

** = Please stand as you are able or remain upright in spirit*
PH = Presbyterian Hymnal; Congregational responses in bold type.

MUSIC FOR MEDITATION

TOLLING THE HOUR

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND GREETINGS

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

PIANO PRELUDE

“Because He Lives/He Lives”

Arr. Lowden

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed!

Alleluia! Celebrate God in this sacred space!

Celebrate God in all places under heaven!

Give praise for God’s mighty deeds!

Give praise for God’s resurrecting power!

Praise God with a fanfare of trumpets.

Praise God with the harp and the cello!

Praise God with tambourines and dancing!

Praise God with flutes and guitars!

Praise God with cymbals and drums!

Let everything with life and breath praise God!

*HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

PH 142

**WE CONFESS OUR SINS
CALL TO CONFESSION**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join with the weak to make us all strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. Amen.

Silent prayer

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ comes with healing light into our locked places and shadowy hurts, resurrecting our spirits and breathing into us new life. As God's own forgiven people, go to bring peace, forgiveness, and new life to the world in the name of Jesus Christ.

SUNG RESPONSE

PH 145, Refrain

"Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!"

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING: Acts 5:27-32 (Pew Bible p. 123 in the NT)

Psalms 118

On this day the Lord has acted

REFRAIN
♩ = 84 [Intro. ———] On this day the Lord has act-ed; we will re-joice and be glad in it.

The musical score is written for a single melodic line in the treble clef and a bass line in the bass clef. The time signature is 3/4. The tempo is marked as quarter note = 84. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B4, and C5. The bass line consists of a series of chords: G2-B2-D2, G2-B2-D2, G2-B2-D2, G2-B2-D2, G2-B2-D2, G2-B2-D2. The melody continues with quarter notes D5, C5, B4, A4, G4, F4, E4, D4. There is a triplet of eighth notes (G4, A4, B4) followed by a quarter note C5. The piece ends with a double bar line.

SECOND READING: John 20:19-31 (Pew Bible p. 84 in the NT)
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

WORD AND WONDER FOR ALL AGES

SERMON

“Life and Doubt”

Christopher Small

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

***HYMN**

“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”

PH 399

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (*The Apostles Creed*)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was
crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into Hell; the third day he
rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the
right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to
judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

***THE GLORIA PATRI**

PH 579

THE OFFERING

THE OFFERING IN MUSIC

“Awake My Soul”

Sorenson

***THE DOXOLOGY**

PH 592

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

... Help us to be wounded healers who bring your peace into the world.

As you sent Christ, now send us.

We pray for the church around the world in all its local expressions, that we and our leaders may truly be your kingdom and your priests, serving not ourselves but your glory and your dominion.

As you sent Christ, now send us.

We pray for those who cannot see you and yet desire to believe.

As you sent Christ, now send us.

We pray for religious and secular authorities who speak truth to power.

As you sent Christ, now send us.

We pray for those who need healing and hope, who cannot see the possibility of new life.

As you sent Christ, now send us.

We pray for those in our world who are wounded, those who suffer from war, oppression, famine, and disease.

As you sent Christ, now send us.

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.

GOING FORTH IN GOD'S NAME TO SERVE THE LORD

***HYMN**

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Again"

PH 112

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

PIANO POSTLUDE

"Jesus Is Alive!"

Lowden

(Composed for First Presbyterian Church of Bordentown 2017)

***SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

The Peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

SERVING THIS LORD'S DAY

Guest Preacher.....Christopher Small
Reader Marlene Lyszczak
Director of Music Gwendolyn Huber
Accompanist.....Robert Lowden
Deacon of the MonthBobbi Maiuro – (609) 865-4853
FellowshipKathie Ackerman

Next Sunday, May 5, 2019

ReaderJohanna Heine
Fellowship Hour

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PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

From the "Mission Yearbook for Prayer and Study": *God's creation; Short-Term Mission in Curaçao; Madagascar; Mission Partnerships; Holocaust Remembrance Day; May Friendship Day; Rev. Dr. Brian Blount*

Prayers of Joy (from worship last week)

- Prayers of thanksgiving for Ron Barnard's progress and continued healing.
- Prayers of joy for Cora's 8th birthday.
- Prayers of joy for Diane's birthday on Easter.
- Prayers of joy for Derek's grandfather who turned 95 on Easter

Prayers of Concern (from worship last week)

- The bombings in Sri Lanka

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Wanderers (our senior group) will meet on Thursday, May 9th at 10:00 am at the Julian House. We will carpool to the Hindu temple, BAPS Mandir, in Robbinsville for a 10:30 am tour of this beautiful temple. After our tour, we plan to have lunch at LongHorn Steak House in Market Place. Sign-up sheet is on back counter. All members of our church and their friends are invited.

Also, only a few seats are available for our Dec. 5th bus trip to Sight & Sound to see "Miracle of Christmas." See Gail Fouse if interested.

St. Mary's Food Pantry Current Needs: Cereal, toothpaste, soap, shampoo. Please place items in the right-side basket in the rear of the church. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. To learn more, visit their website:
<http://stmarysbordentown.org/food-pantry/>.

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CALENDAR

THIS WEEK

Sun 4/28	Church School	9:15 am
	Mission Meal.....	11:30 pm
Mon 4/29	Women's AA	7:30 pm
Thurs 5/2	<i>Pastor Kristin returns</i>	
	Choir	7:00 pm
	AA	7:00 pm
	Bell Choir	8:00 pm

NEXT WEEK

Sun 5/5	Worship & Communion	10:30 am
	Session Meeting.....	12:00 pm
Mon 5/6	Women's AA	7:30 pm
Thurs 5/9	Choir	7:00 pm
	AA	7:00 pm
	Bell Choir	8:00 pm

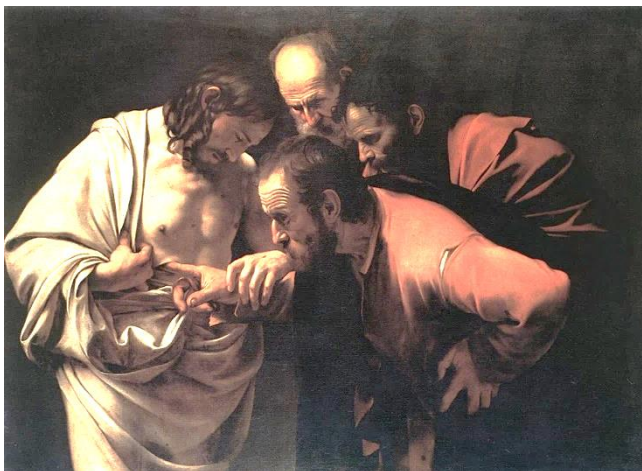
***Pastor Kristin will have open office hours each week on
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10:00 am-12:30 pm.
Availability outside of those hours should be scheduled in advance.***

***Our office manager Sheri Devlin's hours are 10:30 am to 2:00 pm.
September through June: Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday.
July and August: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday.***

First Presbyterian Church

Worship on the Lord's Day

April 28, 2019, 10:30 am



"The Incredulity of Saint Thomas" by Caravaggio

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