

First  
Presbyterian  
Church

101 S. Center St., Marshalltown, Iowa 50158

E-mail [church@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:church@fpcmarshalltown.org)

[www.fpcmarshalltown.org](http://www.fpcmarshalltown.org)



Phone 641-753-5929

9:00 a.m.

April 4, 2021

I have  
seen the  
Lord!

JOHN 20:18



Easter  
SUNDAY

- **Those who are able are invited to stand.**

**PRELUDE**     *Festive Prelude on “Llanfair” Jesus Christ is Risen Today*  
Robert Williams

## **LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION**

### **SONG OF DEVOTION**

**Organ leads as we prepare our hearts for worship.**

### **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here; the Lord has risen!

**People: He has risen indeed!**

Leader: The Lord has risen!

**People: He has risen indeed!**

Leader: Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? Death has been swallowed up in victory!

**People: Christ has risen indeed!**

Leader: Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live!

**People: Thanks be to God who gives the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord has risen!**

- **HYMN OF PRAISE**

#367     *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*

### **CALL TO CONFESSION**

Leader: It is the risen Lord who calls us to confess, even in the midst of our praising! “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” Let us confess our sins.

### **SILENT PRAYER**

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Unison: Almighty God, even Thomas didn't believe that Christ had risen. We're like Thomas sometimes. Our faith fails. But our faith is restored when we decide to bring ourselves to you – to receive the forgiveness and cleansing that comes through Christ. We ask now for that forgiveness. We come humbly, knowing that you know us, you love us, and that we can move forward from our constant focus on self and focus on you and your will for us. In Jesus' name, Amen.**

## **DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The Lord is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made. The Lord is faithful to all his promises. Let us live as forgiven ones!

- **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.**

## **MORNING PRAYERS**

Pastoral Prayer  
Prayers for the People  
The Lord's Prayer

- **SONGS OF PRAISE**

*And He Shall Reign  
Resurrection Hymn*

## **CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

## **OFFERING OUR GIFTS**

The Call  
Offertory      *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*      *arr. Sandra Eithun*  
Bell Choir

- *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*

And Blessing (remain standing)

- *Blest be the tie that binds, our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds, is like to that above.*

**SCRIPTURE READING:** John 20: 1 - 19

**SERMON:** “What Does the Resurrection Mean for My Life?”  
Pastor Tom Bower

**COMMUNION HYMN**

#358 *Because He Lives*

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*LET US LIVE IN THE POWER OF CHRIST*

- **HYMN OF DEDICATION**  
#368 *He Lives*
- **BENEDICTION**
- **ORGAN RESPONSE**
- **POSTLUDE**

## Announcements

**Lay leader** today is Jon Rottink.

**Altar flowers** today are Easter lilies.

**The deacons today** are Brenda Miller & Carole Permar.

On the presbytery's prayer list for this week is our own church, **First Presbyterian Church**, Marshalltown, IA, and Rev. Dr. Tom Bower, Moderating.

**Please send your tithes and offerings** to the church office at 101 S. Center Street, Marshalltown, IA 50158.

**Thank you** to all who colored a page for our Easter Sunday mosaics. Thank you to Wynona Anderson for putting them all together. It took a year, but Christ is risen indeed!



**Marshalltown Christian School Kindergarten & Begindergarten Round-up** will take place Monday, April 19, from 9:00 – 11:30 am at the school. A mid-morning snack will be served. Begindergarten is for students who need more than preschool but aren't quite ready for kindergarten. These students still need to turn five by September 15, 2021, and they will complete Begindergarten before moving on to kindergarten. Please text or call Bethany at 641-691-5509 or email [mcs@marshalltownchristianschool.com](mailto:mcs@marshalltownchristianschool.com) by Friday, April 16, to register your student.

## Joys and Concerns

- **Sophie Attiobé**, hospitalized in Iowa City

### Continuing Joys and Concerns

- **Hudson Boyd**, grandson of **Doug & Jinita Boyd**, does not need surgery at this time!
- **Clayton Anderson**, Steve's father, recovering from surgery for a rebroken hip in Minnesota
- **Mary Baker** recovering at Southridge
- **Mavis Gray**, recovering at Oakview in Conrad
- **Lyle Fox**, recovering at home
- **Bonnie Sievers**, returned to Grandview to continue recovery
- **Irene Sheeler**, recovering in a care facility in Indiana
- **Nancy Diggins**, at home recovering from covid-19
- **Pastor Rich King**, continuing recovery
- **All those affected in any way by the COVID-19 virus**
- **Missionaries** supported by First Presbyterian Church
- **Rev. David Githii**, his ministry in Kenya

Please pray for everyone on our list! Thank you for keeping us informed about joys and concerns. Remember, hospitalized members and friends don't always get on the list at the hospital. We'd rather get several calls than none! Phone the church at 753-5929 or e-mail [church@fpymarshaltown.org](mailto:church@fpymarshaltown.org)

Please let us know if you'd like the **prayer chain** activated.

### The Purpose Statement for First Presbyterian Church of Marshalltown

- G Growing in Christ through *worship*.
- R Reaching out in *fellowship*
- A Affirming faith through *discipleship*
- C Caring for the lost through *evangelism*.
- E Embracing others in mission and *ministry*.

## **Calendar for This Week April 4 – April 10, 2021**

### **SUNDAY**

9:00 AM Worship – In person & online

### **MONDAY**

6:30 PM Worship & Music Committee - Zoom

7:30 PM Missions & Evangelism - Zoom

### **TUESDAY**

5:45 PM Christian Education - Zoom

6:30 PM Membership & Involvement - Zoom

### **WEDNESDAY**

5:00 PM Wednesday Club to Go

5:00 PM A & P Committee

### **THURSDAY**

1:30 PM Elizabeth Circle – Lower Lounge

7:00 PM PNC – Fellowship Hall

### **FRIDAY**

### **SATURDAY**

8:00 AM Men's Group – Zoom

10:00 AM Awesome Presbys & Youth - yards

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

9:00 AM Worship – In person and online

# *Members in mission, making a difference*

Transitional Pastor

Youth & Young Families Director

Office Manager/Newsletter Editor

CE Coordinator

Choir Director

Organist

Assistant Organist

Custodian

Rev. Tom Bower

Jon Rottink

Nancy Diggins

Michelle Wilkinson

Valerie King

Wynona Anderson

Marla Grossman

Debbie Armstrong

## **Session Elders**

Wynona Anderson

Jenny Buschbom

Doug Cooper

Sarah Erikson

Dave Freel

Pat Hemming

Ashley Johnson

Angie Pietig

Lynne Bovenmyer

Terry Buzbee

Amy Drummer

Don Feld

Case Hegeman

Tedra Henze

Ron Kauffman

## **Deacons**

Tim & Deanna Bell

Jim Grimmus

Jackie Hughes

Barb McBride (two-year)

Keith & Diane Oleson

Paul & Karin Podhajsky

Marge Wolfe (two-year)

Doug & Jinita Boyd

Ruth Feld

Pat & Nancy Kremer

Brenda Miller

Carole Permar

Roberta Tice (two-year)



First Presbyterian Church

101 S. Center St.

Marshalltown, Iowa 50158-2821

Church: 641-753-5929

FAX: 641-753-6301

[www.fpcmarshalltown.org](http://www.fpcmarshalltown.org)

E-mail: [church@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:church@fpcmarshalltown.org) (Office)

[tom@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:tom@fpcmarshalltown.org) (Transitional Pastor)

[jon@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:jon@fpcmarshalltown.org) (Youth & Families)

[michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org](mailto:michelle@fpcmarshalltown.org) (CE Coordinator)



The lilies that proclaim the glory of the resurrected Christ this morning were given by ...



**Linda Allen & family** in memory of Roger Allen and Malinda Allen (2)

**Steve & Wynona Anderson** in memory of John Anderson (Wynona's father) and in celebration of Our Living Hope, Jesus Christ (2)

**Audrey Bailey** in memory of John Bailey Jr.

**Terry & Rhonda Buzbee**, in celebration of our risen Lord and Savior (2)

**Doug, Margaret, and Nick Cooper** in memory of Jacqueline Cooper and Carl & Norma Fehrle (2)

**Jan Faber** in celebration of the risen Christ

**Bonnie & Jim Grimmus** in celebration of a wonderful world

**Pat & Mary Hemming & Marlene Snyder** in loving memory of our parents Irene & Louie Hopp

**Rev. Rich & Valerie King** in memory of Rich's sister, Sally King

**Harlan & Marcia Quick** in memory of Bill and daughter, Marci Harrison, Evar & Margaret Anderson, and Stanley & Helen Quick

**Doug & Gail Reese** in memory of their parents

**Fred & Lola Rinnan** in celebration of our Risen Lord

**Roger & Karen Schoell** in memory of our parents Joe & Marge Ralston and Paul & Virginia Schoell (2)

**Meg Sponseller** in memory of Lou Sponseller and Vince & Jean McCowen (2)

**Lee & Michelle Wilkinson** in memory of Ralph & June Wilkinson and LeRoy and Mark Wubben (2)

**John & Cindy Wise** in memory of Ken & Betty Wise and Bob & Shirley Bowman (2)

**Phyllis Wubben** in honor of her children and grandchildren

# First Presbyterian COVID-19 Safety Measures

Please use these practices to reduce the risk of COVID-19 infection for you and others.

- If you have been exposed to COVID-19 or have had a temperature in the last 10 days, please do not enter the church.
- Worship via the stream if you have any additional risk factors for COVID-19.
- A facemask over the nose and mouth is required in the church building.
- Social Distance (6 feet) is required from those not in your household.
- Avoid shaking hands and other close contact. Keep your coat with you.
- Singing - Do not sing or talk in a loud voice. Mouth the words or say them quietly.
- Offering - Place your offering in the plate in the narthex.
- Children - Please keep children with your family and help them to practice these safety measures.
- Restrooms
  - One person at a time in restrooms unless you are assisting family members.
  - Wash hands thoroughly
  - Use hand sanitizer if you must touch the door.
- Fellowship
  - The best practice is to visit outside in the parking lot.
  - If inside, practice social distancing and wear your mask.
- If you get sick with COVID-19 within 10 days of attending church, please contact the church office so we can advise others to watch for symptoms.
- These safety measures apply even if you have received a vaccination.

LEAVE ROOM FOR JESUS



Please sit 6 ft. apart

**WE'RE  
IN THIS  
TOGETHER!**



**FACE MASK  
REQUIRED**

