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Easter Sunday – April 4, 2021

THE GATHERING

Entrance of the Christ Candle

Opening Hymn

Christ the Lord is Risen Today – vs. 1 & 4

No. 216

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

All creation, join to say, Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!

Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!

Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!

Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!

Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

Opening Prayer

Claire Baer

Welcome

Claire Baer

THE PROCLAMATION

Service of Christian Baptism (10:45 only)

Baptismal Candidates & Their Mentors:

Anna Cozette “Zetty” Anderson

Susan Buckley

Helen Eloise “Lucy” Anderson

Colleen James

TJ Hafley

Jim LaValley

Gwynaeth Fay Stewart

Linda Gipson

Welcome After Baptism (10:45 only)

Rev. Josh deSteiguer

We rejoice in God’s empowering love, freely given to each and all. We welcome you, newly baptized, into the circle of love in Christ’s church. We praise God for the gifts for ministry that you bring to this community. We promise to pray for you, to seek the depths of faith with you, to support you, and to love you. We covenant with you to love God with all our hearts, minds, souls and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:1-10 Jeanette Showalter

Children's Message Claire Baer

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer Rev. Josh deSteiguer

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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Special Music *On the Third Day* – Allen Pote Chancel Choir

Sermon *Your Defining Story* Dr. Mark Bender

THE RESPONSE

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table and Words of Institution Dwight Ross III

Prayers for the Bread & Cup Sherry Tucker & Sandra Ross

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

All believers are invited to share in the Lord's Supper.

I believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the Living God.

THE SENDING

Sent from the Table Dr. Mark Bender

Closing Hymn *Christ Arose* - vs. 1 No. 224

***Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,
waiting the coming day,
Jesus my Lord! Up from the grave he arose,
with a mighty triumph o'er his foes;
he arose a victor from the dark domain,
and he lives forever, with his saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!***

Benediction Rev. Josh deSteiguer

Postlude *Hallelujah* – Handel, arr. Lorenz Debbie Watson, organ
Jeanette Showalter, piano

MEMORIALS AND HONORS

In memory of David Strickland given by Jim & Sandy Hay.

EASTER FLOWERS 2021

Sandra & Dwight Ross III in memory of Dan Martini.

Sandra & Dwight Ross III in memory of Dwight Ross Jr..

Sandra & Dwight Ross III in honor of First Christian Church Staff.

Debbie & Mark Turnbow in memory of Joe & Geneva Turnbow.

Debbie & Mark Turnbow in memory of Troy & Earlene Andrus.

Debbie & Mark Turnbow in honor of Peyton Rose McNeel.

Cindy & Robert Hernandez in memory of Bea Hernandez and Alice & Norman Howland.

Cindy & Robert Hernandez in honor of Robert Hernandez Sr..

Cindy & Robert Hernandez in honor of Melanie, Allison & Drew.

Dave & Eva Whiting in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Overman.

Dave & Eva Whiting in memory of Mr. & Mrs. A.V. Whiting.

Lynette Gill in memory of my daughter, Amy Renae Poirot.

Lynette Gill in memory of my mother, Kathryn Henke.

Lynette & Paul Gill in honor of our daughters: Andrea, Angela, Francy and their families.

Karen J. Watson in honor of Lita Huggins Watson, Mom.

Karen J. Watson in memory of Earl F. Watson, Dad.

Diana Costello in memory of John Costello, Jr..

Diana Costello in honor of Missy & Curtis Matthews, Jack and Ellie.

Diana Costello in honor of Catherine & John Costello, Lee and Caroline.

Diana Costello in honor of Ashley & Al Costello, Jacob, Ollie and Grace.

Larry & Treva Spradley in memory of Troy & Juanita Walker.

Larry & Treva Spradley in memory of Orval & Elsie Spradley.

Cheryl & Billy Smiley in honor of my mother, Joan Stodghill.

Doug & Vicki Kunkle in memory of William Jansen.

Doug & Vicki Kunkle in honor of Dorothy Jansen.

Doug & Vicki Kunkle in memory of Forest & Beverly Kunkle.

Fred & Susie Gentry in memory of James & Alma Gentry.

Fred & Susie Gentry in memory of Herbert McCracken.

Fred & Susie Gentry in memory of Alexander Gentry.

Stacey Strickland in memory of David Strickland.

Stacey Strickland in honor of my children (Sarah, Matt, Darrell, Emily, Kat & Ashley).

Stacey Strickland in honor of my Great Grandchildren (all 14).

Ann Hunter in honor of Keystone Class.

Ann Hunter in memory of my parents, Polly & Aubrey Cox.

Ann Hunter in honor of my children and grandchildren.

Sandra Ketchum in memory of my son, Lanny.

Sandra Ketchum in honor of Twila & Melanie.

Polly & Harry Tonemah in memory of Tom & Cherry Porter and Patsy Charles.

Polly & Harry Tonemah in memory of Harry & Roena Tonemah.

Ronnie & Colleen James in memory of Chris James.

Ronnie & Colleen James in honor of Mike (James) Drye.

Ronnie & Colleen James in honor of Sean James.

Ronnie & Colleen James in honor of Cindy (James) Blades.

Ronnie & Colleen James in honor of Amy James.

Jim & Karen LaValley in memory of Donald & Audrey LaValley.

Jim & Karen LaValley in memory of William & Sarah Watkins.

Jim & Karen LaValley in honor of Meredith LaValley.

Kenn Hill & Shirley Craft in memory of E.L. & Elizabeth Ann Brown.

Kenn Hill & Shirley Craft in memory of W.L. & Marie Hill.

Kenn Hill & Shirley Craft in honor of our children: Allison, Jeff, Michael & Brigitte.

Robert & Sally Hastings in memory of Joe & Norma Turner.

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Robert & Sally Hastings in memory of Willie & Rose Hastings.

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Sestak's, Gampher's, Moreira's, & Martin Family in memory of Charinda Kaye Sestak Moreira,
daughter, sister, wife, mother.

LyDora & Chris Martin in memory of sister: Charinda Kaye Sestak Moreira.

David Wyatt in memory of Corliss Wyatt.

David Wyatt in memory of Mary Beth Wyatt.

Sally Perkins in memory of Clarada & Howard Renfro.

Andy Wilson in honor of Eric, Rachael & Winnie, and Andrea.

Andy Wilson in honor of Emily.

Nancy Holcomb Jirik in memory of Richard Holcomb.

Allan Jirik in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Warren Jirik.

Chuck & Kristy Bridgman in memory of Gretchen Bridgman.

Jim & Ann Bridgman in memory of Gretchen Bridgman.

Julie & Stephen Roper in memory of Gretchen Bridgman.

Gigi's Grandkids in memory of Gretchen Bridgman.

John Bridgman in memory of Gretchen Bridgman.

Jim Hay in honor of Sandy Hay, my wife.

Curtis Dolberry in honor of children: Cecil & Brooke Dolberry and Curtis & Janet Wilson.

Curtis Dolberry in honor of grandchildren: Emily & Elizabeth Dolberry and Ryan & Ashley
Wilson.

Kerry & Sharon Roach in honor of Clay, Aneke, Jade & Nemo; and Chris, Alison, Savannah &
Anselmo.

Jean Puckett in memory of my beloved husband, Bob.

Jean Puckett in honor of my faithful & dear friend, Dot (Dorothy Montgomery).

Jean Puckett in honor of our thoughtful Elders.

John & Diana Salkeld in memory of Jim Salkeld.

Curtis Sullivan in memory of Sherry Sullivan.

Nick, Linda & Emily Gipson in honor of Dorothy Montgomery and in memory of James Irl Montgomery.

Nick, Linda & Emily Gipson in honor of Gwynnaeth Stewart on her baptism.

Kathleen Lauck in memory of Pat Lauck.

Kathleen Lauck in memory of Jason Lauck.

Genie Ratliff in memory of George & Sophy Winterbotham (my parents).

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Twila Boydston in honor of my children: Ashley Barker, Ryan Sadler, Kayla Hebert and Hayley Boydston.

Linda & Gary Cook in memory of Glorie Steele.

Linda & Gary Cook in memory of Gretchen Bridgman.

Linda & Gary Cook in honor of Sally & Russ Wilson.

Linda & Gary Cook in honor of Jon & Catherine Earley Family.

Linda & Gary Cook in honor of John & Sarah Cook Family.

Mark & Jodi Bender in memory of our friend, Alex.

Mark & Jodi Bender in memory of our grandparents.

Mark & Jodi Bender in honor of our daughters, Chelsea & Abby.

Harvey & Sherry Martin in honor of Dr. Mark Bender.

Harvey & Sherry Martin in honor of Rev. Josh deSteiguer.

Harvey & Sherry Martin in honor of Claire Baer.

Harvey & Sherry Martin in honor of Jeanette Showalter.

Harvey & Sherry Martin in honor of Cheryl Appling.

David & Cathy Gately in honor of Good neighbors during the February 2021 freeze event.

David & Cathy Gately in honor of the Church Staff and the Worship Re-entry Task Force.

Sara Anderson in loving memory of Doc Anderson.

Sara Anderson in loving memory of my parents, Sara Lee & A.B. Pullen.

Sara Anderson in loving honor of my children: Jane & Randy Long, Lee & Bart Bybee, Frank & Tasa Anderson.

Sara Anderson in loving honor of my grandchildren: Sara & Lance Harland, Janie & Neil Reinhardt, Andrew Long, Will & John DeVilbiss, Walker & Margaret Anderson.

Ashley & Kyle Burross in memory of Bobby & Lois Burross.

Ashley & Kyle Burross in memory of Claude Elmer Jones.

Ashley & Kyle Burross in memory of Mary Lee & Bobby Todd.

Ashley & Kyle Burross in memory of Mary (Jones) Preator.

John, Susan & Ainslee Buckley in honor of Kay & Richard McQuiston.

John & Susan Buckley in honor of our children: Ainslee Buckley and Meredith & Matt West.

Melba Anastopoulos in memory of Bill Anastopoulos.

Melba Anastopoulos & Family in memory of Bill Anastopoulos.

Chris & Jeanette Showalter in memory of Mary & Phil Bail and Anita Bell.

Chris & Jeanette Showalter in honor of Al & Rossie Showalter.

Sermon Notes

1. Gospel-centered life design

2. Earthquake moments

3. An act of God

4. Resurrection faith

5. This week's news from Gallup

CALENDAR

Sunday, April 4 EASTER / PANTRY SUNDAY / EASTER SPECIAL OFFERING		
7:00 am	Sunrise Worship Service	Garden of the Cross
8:40 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:30 am	Sunday School	In Person & Zoom
NO	Journey Through Scripture	Parlor
10:45 am	Worship Service	Sanctuary/ Livestream
NO	Sunday Evening Activities	
Monday, April 5		
	CHURCH BUILDING, OFFICES & ALL PROGRAMS CLOSED	
7:30 pm	Boy Scouts Troop 15	Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, April 6		
7:30 am–6:00 pm	Children Come First "CCF" (Tu-F)	
9:00 am-12:00 pm	Young Ages Preschool "YAS" (Tu-F)	
9:30 am	Staff Meeting / Worship Planning	Room 310/Zoom
10:00-10:55 am	YAS Music (Tues. & Wed.)	Room 300
11:00 am	Whirlwind Cluster Ministers' Meeting	Park Place CC
6:00 pm	Communications & Technology Ministry Meeting	Room 310/Zoom
6:30 pm	Common Ground Recovery Ministries Support Groups Anger Management, Parenting, Rebuilding Your Life, Domestic Violence Prevention	Rooms 304 to 308
Wednesday, April 7		
7:00 am	Elders' Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
8:55-10:30 am	CCF Chapel	Chapel
9:00-9:30 am	CCF Music	Room 300
5:30 pm	Brown Bag Fellowship	Fellowship Hall
6:00-7:00 pm	Neighborhood Worship Service	Fellowship Hall
6:00-7:00 pm	First Kidz (PreK-5th Grade)	Room 402
7:00 pm	Youth Activities (Grades 6-12)	Room 403/Grym
7:00 pm	Chancel Ringers (High School-Adults)	Stratten Hall
Thursday, April 8		
9:00-9:30 am	CCF Music	Room 300
10:00-10:30 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
7:30 pm	College Bible Study	
Friday, April 9		
8:55-10:30 am	CCF Music	Room 300
10:00-10:30 am	YAS Chapel	Chapel
Saturday, April 10		

**Church Building,
Offices &
All Programs
will be
Closed on
Monday, April 5th,
for the Easter Holiday!**

What's Your Favorite Hymn

Debbie Watson, our organist would like to include your favorite hymn in the worship service on Sunday mornings. Please give us your name, hymn title, and then in 50 words or less, tell us why this hymn is special to you. You can email your hymn information to susan@firstchristianwf.com, or you can bring it to the church office.