



# 21 APRIL 2019

## RESURRECTION SUNDAY

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### WELCOME to Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church!

If this is your first time here we want to say a special thank you for worshipping with us today. Whether you’re visiting, seeking a new spiritual direction in your life, or simply looking for a church home, we pray that *SPIRIT OF LIFE* might be the place for you to grow. Living a life of faith is no easy matter—until we try living life without faith. We’re glad you worshiped here today and want you to know that your presence is always welcome! **NOTE:** Hymnals, large print bulletins & children’s activity bags are available at the usher station, or you may ask an usher. We also offer nursery upstairs during worship and Sunday school.

**\*Thank you for silencing/turning off your electronic devices** during rehearsals and worship. Should your phone still ring, you will be invited to come to the front sing a solo during the offering.

## GATHERING

**PRELUDE** “Crown Him With Many Crowns” arr. by Anna Laura Page **Martha Davis**

**RESURRECTION PLAY** **Spirit of Life Drama Team**

**CHOIR** “An Easter Fanfare” by Dawn Bessig and Nancy Price

**CALL TO WORSHIP** **Becky Brandt**

One: This is the day of celebration. Good news, Christ is alive! He is risen!

**All: He is Risen Indeed!**

One: Easter joy fills the air.

**All: The bright colors of life have returned.**

One: Cast off your sorrow, your mourning, your shame.

**All: Let us welcome the Lord with cries of joy, hearty and loud.**

One: Christ is alive! He Is Risen!

**All: He Is Risen, Indeed!**

**OPENING HYMN** “Christ Is Alive” (purple hymnal #246, v 1, 3, 4, 5)

[In 1968 Easter fell ten days after the assassination of martin Luther King Jr., and this text was written to express an Easter hope while mindful of that terrible event. Buoyed by a tripe-arched tune, it affirms the presence of a wounded, risen Christ with all who suffer.]

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** **Rev. Rob Smith**

“I Danced in The Morning” (purple hymnal #157)

**PRAYER OF RECONCILIATION** **Becky Brandt**

One: Risen Lord, we greet you on this happy morning. The holiest of weeks has come to an end. Out of darkness comes light, out of despair comes hope, out of death comes life. What a wonderful day it is on which to gather with friends and worship together.

**All: The tomb is empty; He is risen. Christ is Alive! Alleluia!**

One: Risen Lord we call to you—make yourself known to us. Give us a glimpse of

your life-giving glory; a sense of your living word. Speak to us of what happens now; let us hear what we, your people, must do. What a wonderful day it is on which to gather with friends and worship together.

**All: The tomb is empty; He is risen. Christ is Alive! Alleluia! is abroad in the world, Alleluia!**

One: Risen Lord, we are your people. Death could not contain you; your power of goodness has been unleashed. Let us draw strength in this worship, for we are ready to walk with you into the world; ready to serve by the power of your spirit, in order to set love free for the good of all. What a wonderful day it is on which to gather with friends and worship together.

**All: The tomb is empty; He is risen. Christ is Alive! Alleluia! Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF GRACE** **Rev. Rob Smith**

**PASSING OF THE PEACE** **Rev. Rob Smith**

**RESPONSE HYMN** “Christ is Risen, Shout Hosanna” (purple #248, v 1)

**ANTHEM** “Jubilate Deo” by Natalie Sleeth **Choir**

## HEARING

**PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION** **Becky Brandt**

**SCRIPTURE** **Matthew 28: 1-10**  
**Becky Brandt, Rev. Rob Smith, Cedric Werner, Cole Smith**

**SERMON** “Crosswise: Earthshaking” **Rev. Rob Smith**

## RESPONDING

**RESPONSE SONG** “I Will Rise” by Chris Tomlin (CCLI #5183450)

**CALL TO OFFERING** **Becky Brandt**

**OFFERTORY** “Jesus is Alive” arr. by Bill Wolaver **Martha Davis**

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION** “Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow” #591

**WELCOME TO THE TABLE** **Rev. Rob Smith**

**GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING/PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**All: 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.**

**SHARING THE ELEMENTS** (Served intinction)

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “Were You There” arr. by Ruth Elaine Schram **Martha Davis**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

## SENDING FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

**CLOSING HYMN** “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” (purple hymnal #232)

**CHARGE & BENEDICTION** **Rev. Rob Smith**

**POSTLUDE** “Christ is Risen! Christ the Lord is Risen Today and Christ Arose” arr.

Ruth Elaine Schram **Martha Davis**

## Volunteers for today, Resurrection Sunday, April 21, 2019:

**Lay Leader:** Becky Brandt

**Audio Visual:** Eric Scott

**Children’s Sermon:** Rev. Rob Smith

**Ushers / Greeters:** Duane Sweep (Lead), Nicole Fischer and Ed Marciniak, Vickie and Bill Fischer, Rosellen Fairall, Matt and Mary Hope, Trisa Scott, Sarah Tavarez, and Walt Ullrich

**Pianist:** Martha Davis

**Drummer:** Gabe Schott

**Communion:** Duane Sweep (Lead), Deon Ford, Steve Lewis, Alice Gracek, Alvine Laure Ekame

### Resurrection Play Cast of Characters

Narrator = Erin Hicks

Jesus = Bryce Kube

2 Angels = DeVean Tchakam, Destiny Amadasun

3 Women = Gladys Mbonifor, Odosa Amadasun, Grace Scott

## Volunteers for next Sunday, April 28, 2019:

**Lay Leader:** Bob Shepard

**Audio Visual:** Alfred Hicks

**Children’s Sermon:** Vickie Fischer

**Ushers / Greeters:** Duane Sweep (Lead), Nicole Fischer and Ed Marciniak, Vickie and Bill Fischer, Rosellen Fairall, Matt and Mary Hope, Trisa Scott, Sarah Tavarez, and Walt Ullrich

**Pianist:** Martha Davis

**Please be sure to submit your announcement to the church office** so we may include them in the printed bulletin. All announcements received at spirit@spiritoflifeav.org by noon Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. Those received later than, will be included the following Sunday. ~Thank you.

**Please mark your calendars:** KIDS CAMP will be August 19-23!

### SPIRIT OF LIFE STAFF

**Pastor:** Rev. Rob Smith **Email:** pastorrob@spiritoflifeav.org

Parish Lay Pastor: Loretta Hunt

Clerk of Session: Denise Lewis

Nursery Caregiver: Trista Hansen

Office Administrator: Shari Shaw

### OFFICE

10:00 AM—3:00 PM MON-THURS

FOR PASTORAL EMERGENCIES PLEASE CALL ROB @ 952.807.4413

# Announcements ...

## Our special service here at *Spirit of Life Presbyterian Church*

Today, **Resurrection Sunday, April 21**, at the 10 a.m. worship service, along with two anthems by the Adult Choir, the Youth Drama Club will act out the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Communion also will be served.

Our **nursery** (2nd floor) is open during worship for children ages 1-6 years.

Pastor Rob has set a scheduled time to be available for anyone who might wish to connect with him. **Regular “office hours” are at the Dunn Bros., 15265 Galaxie Ave, Apple Valley, on Tuesdays, 10am-12noon.** If you need to talk regarding life issues, church, or other things, please feel free to drop by or set up an appointment to meet with him.

**Everyone is welcome to join us for the weekly study on Wednesdays, 10-11:30am**, with Pastor Rob leading. Our current study is covering the book of Genesis. Anyone can join at any time. Class meets at the new Orchard Path Presbyterian Homes located just down the road at 5400 157th St. W., Apple Valley (South on Pilot Knob and turn left onto 157th St W. Orchard Path to the right after the traffic circle.)

**Meet In The Middle** is in full swing! Kids can be dropped off at 4:30pm. At 6pm, parents can then join their kids for dinner provided by the church. From 4:30-6, kids will be: playing games, making arts and crafts, eating snacks, singing to the residents of Orchard Path Presbyterian Homes, Bible lessons and more!! Please contact Nikki Harves with any questions at [nikkiharves@gmail.com](mailto:nikkiharves@gmail.com).

**Choir rehearsals** are Sundays at 8:45am. All welcome.

**Spirit of Life drama club** will meet on **Wednesdays at 5:30 pm**. If you have questions, please reach out to Gladys Mbonifor at (505) 204-5166 or [gmbonifor3@yahoo.com](mailto:gmbonifor3@yahoo.com).

Please sign up to be Cookie hostess for Sunday fellowship. Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508044cadab2da5ff2-spirit> . We need cookie hostesses for May and June. Thank you!

NOTE Schedule change: Be sure to talk with Alvine regarding when the next **Spirit of Life Youth Choir** rehearsal will be. Rehearsal is not 10am-12noon this Saturday, due to a scheduling conflict. All Middle and High School Youths are welcome to join us any time. For more information, please contact Alvine Laure Ekame at [alvinelaure\\_cm@yahoo.fr](mailto:alvinelaure_cm@yahoo.fr).

**May Women’s book club:** For the month of May we will be reading "Waking up White, and Finding Myself in the Story of Race” by Debby Irving. We will meet on Thursday May 30, 2019 at Lisa Smith’s home. Here is a link to buy the book.  
[https://www.amazon.com/Waking-White-Finding-Myself-Story/dp/0991331303/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?keywords=waking+up+white&qid=1554429888&s=gateway&sr=8-1](https://www.amazon.com/Waking-White-Finding-Myself-Story/dp/0991331303/ref=sr_1_1?keywords=waking+up+white&qid=1554429888&s=gateway&sr=8-1)

The Community Service/Mission Committee **thanks** all of you who supported our 2019 MN FoodShare March Campaign with donations of food or money! We were able to provide the Rosemount Family Resource Center (part of 360 Communities food shelf network) with 123 pounds of non-perishable food items,

and a check for \$250.10, which extends our giving by a factor of 10. Thank you for being part of a generous and nurturing congregation!

With some of our memorial funds, we have purchased 10 of the new purple “Glory to God” Presbyterian Hymnals. They are on the shelves at the usher stand. If anyone would like to use one, feel free to bring one to your seat and then return it to the shelf following worship.

**April Caregiver - Ruth Shepard**

***SpiritCare Prayer Team: 1.507.263.5975*** or 952.423.2212-Office

*“First, I tell you to pray for all people, asking God for what they need and being thankful to Him. This is good, and it pleases God our Savior.”  
1 Timothy 2:1, 3*

## OUR SYMPATHY AND LOVE TO...

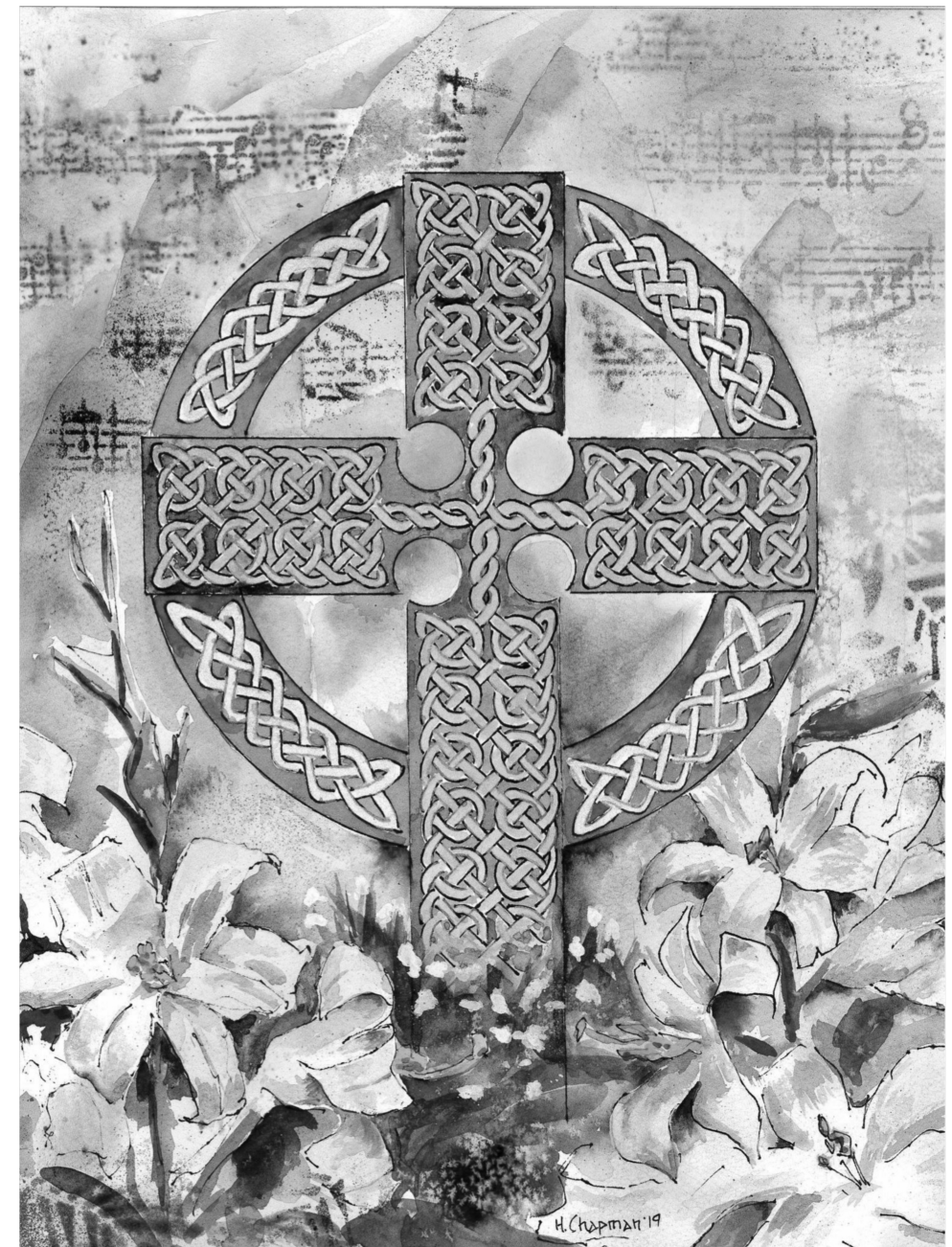
**Mike and Rachel Elliott and family-** *Rachel Elliott’s Father* passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, March 6. Prayers for comfort, peace and understanding that God is with Rachel and Mike and their family through this difficult time.

**Joanne Boyd and family-** *Joanne’s Brother, Henry Kober*, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, March 7, after having been diagnosed a week ago with acute Leukemia. Prayers for comfort, peace and understanding that God is with Joanne and the family through this difficult time.

**Martha Davis and family-** *Martha’s Father, James Edward Schlaeppi*, passed away the morning of Wednesday, March 13. Prayers for comfort and peace that God is with Martha and the family through this difficult time.

**Buchholz family-** *Larry Buchholz’ sister-in-law, Clara Buchholz*, passed away Thursday, April 4. Prayers for comfort, peace and God’s enduring love to Jim, *Larry’s brother*, their children and grandchildren, *Larry and Pat*, and the extended family as they grieve the loss of Jim’s wife, *Clara*.

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## Crosswise: Earthshaking

Resurrection Sunday, April 21, 2019~Rev. Rob Smith

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\*Picture on a cover is a water painting by Reverend Howard Chapman from First Presbyterian Church, Marion, Iowa. Not only is Howard a talented artist and tremendous pastor, but he is also wonderful friend and mentor. I am grateful for having served under Rev. Chapman as an intern my second year of seminary. Special thanks to Rev. Chapman for sharing his art for Easter Sunday.