

WELCOME TO
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
OF BISMARCK, ND



**HE IS
RISEN**

— EASTER SUNDAY —

April 20, 2025

10:00a.m. Service

Our Mission

We are a community called to love God through worship and prayer, receiving and serving our neighbors with the compassion of Christ, open to new beginnings and the spiritual growth of children, youth and adults.

WE WELCOME OUR GUESTS THIS MORNING AND
INVITE YOU TO MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME!



PLEASE FEEL FREE TO JOIN US FOR
COFFEE HOUR FOLLOWING WORSHIP.

Flowers this week are in honor of:
*Bill & Laura Jensen's 35th
wedding anniversary!*



ATTENDANCE BOOKS

You will find an Attendance Pad at the end of each pew.
Please fill it out and leave it in pew for the church office to collect.
(please include any updated address information) Thank you to
everyone for helping us with collecting attendance and statistics
we submit to the Presbytery.

“Easter Sunday” 10:00am

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*(*Asterisks indicate that all who are able are requested to stand,
bold texts are to be read in unison)*

Prelude “Christ is Alive” Thomas Williams

Welcome and Announcements

***Call to Worship** (responsively)

L: Welcome today! Look where our Lenten journey has brought us!

P: We walked the seashore and the hills with Jesus; we went to the upper room and to the Garden of Sorrows, we stood at the cross and hid in a room out of our fear.

L: Now we are here, in the splendor and beauty of this place!

P: Everything is bursting with life. Jesus is alive! He is risen!

L: Hallelujah!

P: Hallelujah! AMEN

Introit “Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks” Fishel

Processional Hymn “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!” PH#123
trumpets: Jim Rambo & Jim Skaret

Invitation to Confession “Sanctuary” Thompson/Scruggs

**Lord Prepare me to be a sanctuary
Pure and holy, tried and true
With thanksgiving I’ll be a living
Sanctuary for you.**

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

We admit it, Lord, that we have our doubts. We have heard the Resurrection story and for so many years. Through scripture, we have walked the path with Christ. We have journeyed through the wilderness and valleys, to the mountaintops to the courtyard, the garden and the cross. Now you bring us to the empty tomb and to the joyous news of the truth of Christ. And to this place, we carry our doubts, our questions, our disappointments, and our angers. Like the disciples, there is so much we still don’t understand. —————→

As you showed yourself risen self to them, now, show yourselves to us. Help us understand that you conquered death and sin, you brought us to new life. We praise your holy name and sing our unending song of hope and thanksgiving. Christ the Lord is risen today. Alleluia. AMEN.

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri and Passing of the Peace of Christ Hymnal #579

Young Disciples Message

*Prayer of Gratitude for the Grace of Giving

*Doxology and Dedication of Gifts Hymnal #592

Anthem "Hallelujah Chorus from The Messiah" GF Handel

Proclamation of the Word of God

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading *Luke 24:1-35(NIV)*

Anthem "King of Kings" Ligerwood, Ligerwood and Ingram
arr. Heather Sorenson

Sermon "Known in the Breaking of Bread"

Communion Hymn "Because You Live, O Christ" PH#105

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Apostles' Creed

Invitation to the Table

Prayer and the Prayers of the People

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Sharing the Feast of the Risen Lord

Prayer after Communion

Responding to God's Word

*Closing Hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!" PH#113

Sending Forth in God's Name

Benediction and Blessing

Benediction Response "Lift Up Your Heads" Graham Kendrick

Postlude "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Ludwig van Beethoven

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:1-35(NIV)

On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. ⁴ While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. ⁵ In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? ⁶ He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: ⁷ ‘The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.’” ⁸ Then they remembered his words.

⁹ When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. ¹⁰ It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. ¹² Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷ He asked them, “What are you discussing together as you walk along?” They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, “Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?”

¹⁹ “What things?” he asked.



“About Jesus of Nazareth,” they replied. “He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn’t find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus.”

²⁵ He said to them, “How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?” ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, “Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over.” So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. ³² They asked each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?”

³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, “It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.” ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread.

LAY READERS NEEDED:



Please sign up to be a **Lay Reader** on the bulletin board.

Worship Participants:

Rev. Dr. Leanne Simmons, Pastor

Debi Rogers, Chancel Choir dir.

Arvy Smith, Keyboards

Mark Jensen, Youth Ministry dir.

Josh Stokka, Audio/Visual Specialist

Bryson Fru, Lay Reader

Dennis & Becky Rosenkranz, Barb Satran, Ella Gutzke,

Vic Sonneman, and Tom & Rose Trenbeath ~ Ushers



CELEBRATE THE LORD!
HAPPY EASTER!

Brag Box:

Parents and Grandparents: send us an email bragging about your child/grandkids accomplishments no matter how big or small!

(I would love pictures too)

We want to celebrate all the milestones by recognizing them in the monthly newsletter! **Deadline for May edition is 4/28/25**

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FREE-HOME FIRE SAFETY VISIT

At no cost, or teams will:

- *check your existing smoke alarms
- *install new alarms with 10-year batteries as needed
- *help you plan emergency escape routes

To schedule an appointment or more information scan this QR code:



We also have a sign up sheet on our volunteer bulletin board... we will get the information to the Red Cross contact person, to help you make an appointment.



American Red Cross
Western North Dakota

CCC Needs List for April: dishwasher soap (powder ONLY) & bleach



APRIL DONATION OPPORTUNITY - During April, your Hospitality Committee is supporting Heaven's Helpers Soup Café. This is an opportunity for our congregation to help defray the costs to the Soup Café in providing a warm meal to the neediest and most marginalized in our community.

We would like to provide the Soup Café with the materials and ingredients for "to-go" snack bags (i.e., square 5"x 5") snack Ziplock bags, peanuts [without shells], M&Ms, raisins, dried cranberries, chocolate chips, Reece's pieces, crackers, Chex mix, sunflower seeds, quick bulk oatmeal [no packets]. For more gift ideas see www.soupcafe.org website and go to "Wish List". Your gifts will be much appreciated by the good people at the Soup Café and the needy people they serve. God's Blessings...

Heaven's Helpers

Soup Cafe

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Calendar

- Mon., April 21 - **Noon** Resource Management
1:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
NO Admin & Personnel
6:30pm Scouts
- Tues., April 22 - **11:00am** Balance & Strength Class
2:00pm Presby Friends
6:00pm Session
- Wed., April 23 - **5:45pm** PAC/Teens
6:30pm Bells
7:30pm Choir
- Thu., April 24 - **11:00am** Balance & Strength Class
NO Yoga
- Fri., April 25- *No Activities Scheduled*
- Sat., April 26 - *No Activities Scheduled*
- Sun., April 27 - **10:00am** Worship "Service of Wholeness"



**We are planning a Father's Day slide show
to honor our fathers!**

**Please email your picture along with names
a brief message to: firstpresbyterian@fpcbismarck.com
or bring into the office to be scanned
by Monday, June 9th**



**PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR “PINK PRAYER REQUEST CARDS”
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THE USHERS WILL COLLECT THEM DURING
THE OPENING HYMN. THANK YOU!**

**You can view our church's worship services
on public access television, Sundays at noon!
Midco channel #12 or #612 (Community Access TV)**



The First Presbyterian Church Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the availability of a limited number of scholarships for our church community. To be eligible for consideration to receive a scholarship, a student must be an active member of First Presbyterian Church of Bismarck or must have been an active participant in the life of the church for at least three years. Students at any level of study beyond high school are eligible to receive a scholarship award.

Students are eligible to receive a scholarship for a maximum of four years: the years do not need to be consecutive. Graduate students may apply for scholarships, providing they are within the four-year maximum. Applications are available in the Narthex, in the church office, and for download from the front page of the church website at www.fcpbismarck.com The deadline to apply is Friday, **May 16, 2025.**



Easter Memorials

In Memory of Stan Halling

Given by Amy, Melissa & Alice Halling

In Memory of Glenn, Helen, Fraser, and Sonja Sorlie, Betty Aide, Gladys Cairns, and Luella Dunn

Given by Sue Sorlie

In Memory of all our loved ones

Given by Ron and Neva Carlisle

In Memory of Delmar Lewis and Dennis Pengilly

Given by Danette, David, Drew, Paige, and Luke Pengilly

In Memory of Doris Doolittle

Given by Lee Doolittle

In Memory of Robert & Adeline Small, and Audrey Kimball

Given by Donna Arneson

In Memory of Gutzke/Meyer families

Given by Tedd & Ella Gutzke

In Memory of Ed & Grace Hoge

Given by Larry & Peggy Hoge

In Memory of Elise Halvorson

Given by Dan Halvorson and family

In Memory of Howard, Irene, Roger, Scott & Joel Simmons

Given by Leanne & Audrey Simmons

In Memory of Delmar Lewis

Given by Letha Lewis



Easter Memorials

In Memory of Herman & Barbara Skaret, Herb & Thelma Patram

Given by Jim & Nanc Skaret

In Memory of Fran Koppang, Linda Chapman, & Mandy Chapman

Given by Kathy Henriksen

In Memory of Don Henriksen

Given by the Henriksen families

In Memory of James & Virginia Jeschke

Given by Laurie Jeschke

In Memory of Garry Strandemo

Given by Linda Strandemo and family

In Memory of Alan Wachter, Lewis and Gertrude Hanna

Given by Kathy Wachter

In Memory of Chester Gail James

Given by Delores James and family

In Memory of Sigrid Bucklin and Jack & Irene Zuger,

Given by Anne Bucklin

In Memory of Art and Betty Kinnischtzke

Given by John and Donna Richter

In Memory of Cal Schafer, Harold & Florence Meyer and Gail Meyer

Given by Jeff and Susan Schafer

**In Memory of Lawrence, Nolia, Chris & Dan Keltner, Tom, Edith &
Ray Bigwood, and Dorothy Bauer**

Given by Don & Lynne Bigwood

