



*He is risen;*  
*he is not here.* MARK 16:6

**PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**The Day of Resurrection**  
**March 31, 2024**

**PRELUDE** Melody Raef

**INTROIT** *Why Do You Seek the Living Among the Dead?*

**WELCOME** Robert Billcheck

**MOMENT FOR REFLECTION** *Alleluia, Alleluia* Melody Raef

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** *Psalm 118:24*

Leader: He is risen! Alleluia!

People: Alleluia! He is risen, indeed!

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** *#113 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

With contrite hearts, we humbly ask Jesus to hear our prayer of confession, praying together,

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)** *PCUSA*

**Saving God, we are in awe of the power of resurrection, and we give You glory with our hallelujahs, but we carry lingering doubts about Your saving power in our lives. We ask why You do not answer our prayers quickly enough. We demand signs to prove the reality of Your promises. Sometimes we find ourselves wondering when You will show up to ease our pain. We pray now that You will help us in our impatience and unbelief. Forgive us and free us to recognize Your presence. Amen.**

**Musical Reflection** *Prayer at the Cross*

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

In joy of resurrection, we claim the victory of Christ over the power of sin. God has rolled away the stone to reveal our salvation. We look inside the tomb, and where Jesus once lay lifeless, we find the gifts of God's grace and forgiveness. Go and tell the world! In Christ we are forgiven.

**\*RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE** *#579 Gloria Patri*

**\*THE PEACE** The peace of Christ be with you ... **And also with you.**

**TIME FOR CHILDREN** *John 20:18 (CEB)*  
Mary Magdalene left and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord."  
Then she told him what he said to her.

**COLLECTION FOR 5 CENTS A MEAL**

**PRESBYTERIAN MINUTE**

**FIRST LESSON** *1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Pew Bible p. 935*

**SECOND READING** *John 20:1-18; Pew Bible p. 882-883*

**ANTHEM** *Reflections on the Cross*  
*Lead Me to Calvary*  
*Beneath the Cross of Jesus*  
*Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed*

**SERMON** "He is Risen!" Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE** *#391 Take My Life*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *A Brief Statement of Faith*  
In life and in death, we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one true God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER (Traditional)** *Hymnal p. 16*

**WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE** *#592 Doxology*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**SONG OF SENDING** *#302 I Danced in the Morning*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**CHORAL BENEDICTION** *Why Do You Seek the Living Among the Dead?*

**POSTLUDE** Melody Raef

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## **THE SESSION 2024**

### **Clerk of Session**

Ruth Hopke	2024-2026
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### **Administration**

Pete Adamson	2024-2026
Jamie Gray	2022-2024
Ayars Lore	2022-2024
Nathan Richards	2023-2025

### **Christian Life**

Paul Davis	2023-2025
Patricia Robinson	2024-2026
Mary-Catherine Sheridan	2024-2026

### **Community & Mission**

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