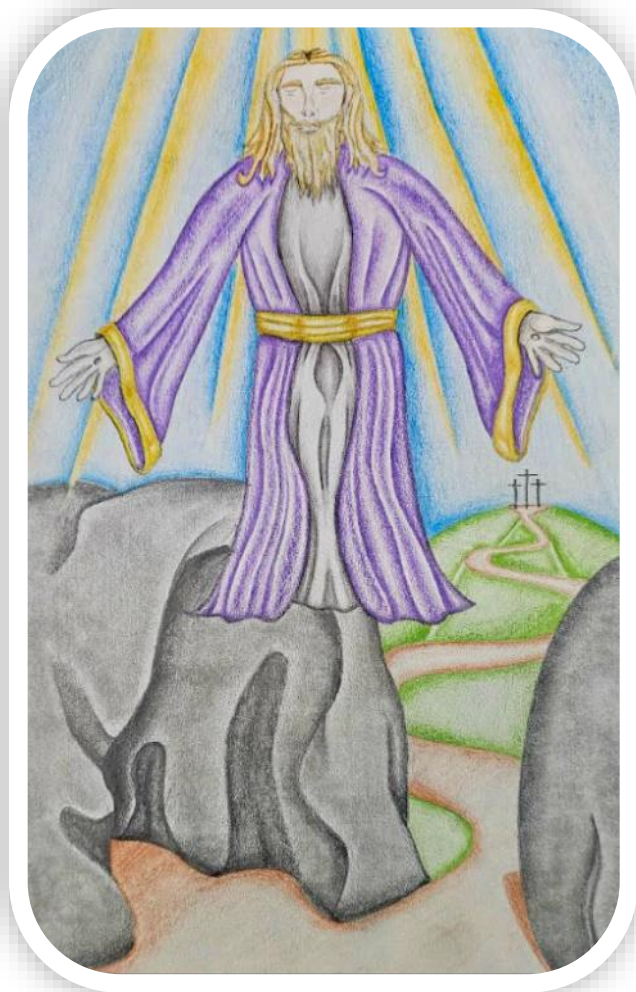


FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Cover art: CJ Weld

Easter Sunday, April 20, 2025

First Presbyterian Church of Sebastian

1405 Louisiana Ave., Sebastian, FL 32958

Rev. Jeff Wood, Pastor

Phone: 772-589-5656

Website: www.WeLoveFirst.org

Rochelle Sallee, Music Director

email: office@welovefirst.org

Facebook.com/WeLoveFirstsebastian

RESURRECTION SUNDAY

"Remember how he told you that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Luke 24:6

***Processional Hymn 367** Andrew Green; Horn, Rochelle Sallee; Piano

RISE and SING: Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!

Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!

Sing, ye heav'ns and earth, reply: Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King. Alleluia!

Where, O death is now thy sting? Alleluia!

Dying once, He all doth save, Alleluia!

Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!

Fought the fight, the battle won. Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!

Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led. Alleluia!

Fol'l'wing our exalted Head. Alleluia!

Made like Him, like Him we rise. Alleluia!

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

Welcome

***Call to Worship & Affirmation of Faith**

I handed on to You as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time.

(I Corinthians 15:3-6)

***Hymn** *Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

ST. KEVIN

Come, ye faithful raise the strain Of triumphant gladness:

God hath brought forth Israel Into joy from sadness:

Loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters;

Led them, with unmoistened foot,

Through the Red Sea waters.

* Congregation please stand as able.

'Tis the spring of souls today; Christ hath burst His prison,
And from three days' sleep in death As a sun hath risen.
Now rejoice, Jerusalem, And with true affection
Welcome in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection!

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

God, in raising Jesus from the grave, You shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that though we try, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Set us free from a past we cannot change. Set us free to a future in which we can be changed. Open us to You, your love, your power, your forgiveness, and your help. Amen. (*silence for individual confession*)

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Hymn 360 v. 3** *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

LLANFAIR

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as His love: Alleluia!
Praise Him, all you heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

Pastoral Prayer

First Lesson

Romans 5:18-19

THE MESSAGE

Liturgist: Roger Carey

Choir Anthem

Alleluia Medley

BEETHOVEN/R.COOK

Rochelle Sallee, Piano

Scripture and Sermon

Pastor Jeff Wood

Prayer

Tithes, Offerings, Lord's Prayer

Ascription of Praise

Rev.7:12

Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!

***Hymn 361 v. 5** *Worship Christ, the Risen King*

REGENT SQUARE

We acclaim Your life, O Jesus;
Now we sing Your victory,
Sin and hell may seek to seize us,
But Your conquest keeps us free.
Stand in triumph, stand in triumph;
Worship Christ, the risen King!

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn** *Thine is the Glory*

Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son:
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment Rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave clothes Where Thy body lay.

Lo! Jesus meets us, Risen from the tomb;
Lovingly He greets us, Scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness, Hymns of triumph sing,
For the Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting.

No more we doubt Thee, Glorious Prince of life!
Life is nought with out Thee; Aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors Through Thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan To Thy home above.

Refrain: Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

Benediction and Charge

Wherever you are, Christ has put you there.
There is something He wants to do through you there.
Wherever you go, Christ is sending you.
The indwelling Christ has something
He wants to do through you there.
Believe this and rely on His power, His grace, and His love.
--Adapted from R. Halverson, former Chaplain of the Senate

***Response** **“Shalom”**

GILLMAN

**Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**