

# FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SEBASTIAN



*For the doubter, being double-minded and unstable in every way, must not expect to receive anything from the Lord.*

*James 1:7-8*

**Sunday, April 27, 2025**

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## Carillon Chimes

## Welcome and Announcements

## Musical Moment

Rochelle Sallee, piano

### \*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            *The Open Tomb (tune: Old Rugged Cross)*

P.Linten

In a garden nearby Stood a new open tomb,  
The emblem of life and acclaim.  
And I cherish that tomb, Where our Savior emerged  
Having conquered death True to his claim.

So I'll cherish that Beautiful tomb,  
That reminds me my future's assured,  
I proclaim that our Lord is alive,  
And is true to his glorious Word.

In that beautiful tomb, Folded linens divine,  
Testify God's holy plan.  
For 'twas in that fresh tomb Jesus occupied death,  
And returned resurrected again.

So I'll cherish that Beautiful tomb,  
That reminds me my future's assured,  
I proclaim that our Lord is alive,  
And is true to his glorious Word.

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1. Please silence electronic devices
  2. "Catholic" means universal, not Roman Catholic
- \* Please stand if you are able.

## Invitation to Confession

### Unison Prayer of Confession

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

#### Sung Response: 357 v. 3 Christ Arose

Death cannot keep his prey—Jesus, my Savior!  
He tore the bars away— 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!

<b>Scripture Lesson</b>	Luke 16:30-31	Liturgist: Martha Franchi
<b>Choir Anthem</b>	<i>Resurrection Medley</i>	Rochelle Sallee, piano
<b>Sermon Scripture</b>	Luke 24:13-35	
<b>Sermon</b>	<i>“Hearts on Fire”</i>	Rev. Jeff Wood

### Offering Invitation

### Offering and The Lord’s Prayer

#### Ascription of Praise

II Samuel 24:24

David said, "I will not sacrifice to the LORD my God burnt offerings that cost me nothing."

**\*Hymn 365 Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness, Sing to God a hymn of praise.  
He who on the cross as Savior, for the world's salvation bled,  
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, Now is risen from the dead.

Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to life is born;  
Glorious life, and life immortal, On this resurrection morn.  
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer By His mighty enterprise;  
We with Him to life eternal By His resurrection rise.

**\*Charge and Benediction**

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”**

**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.**

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*Vision Statement: To know Christ and to make Christ known*

*Our Commitments at First:*

*Show up for worship*

*Cheer up our brothers & sisters*

*Grow up spiritually*

*Hold up the pastor & congregation in prayer*

*Pay up tithes & offerings with glad hearts*

*Play up everywhere every good thing about our church*