

THE PEOPLE GATHER

GATHERING MUSIC & RINGING OF THE BELL

WELCOME & GREETING OUR NEIGHBORS

CHORAL INTROIT Dr. Anthony Eversole, Director of Music
Kathleen Crecco, Pianist

* **CALL TO WORSHIP** (Responsive)

One: Come and see; come and rejoice.

God calls us together for a celebration.

Many: We have come seeking Jesus of Nazareth.

We want to know the One who comforts and heals.

One: Enter into this time of worship with thanksgiving;
receive once more the good news of peace.

Many: God is our strength and our song;

God has acted in Christ for our salvation.

One: The gates of righteousness have opened to you;
Jesus promises to meet you along life's way.

Many: Christ is risen; what a joyous moment!

Christ is risen; we want to tell the world!

* **PRAYER OF INVOCATION FOR THE INDWELLING OF THE SPIRIT**

* **SACRED MUSIC** "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" #232 NPH

* **PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

Easter brings a new day for all people. New life in Christ is offered, not just to a select chosen few, but to all who will respond in faith. Faith is not assenting to the unbelievable, but trusting the experience. The healing and transforming power of goodness and peace overpowers our anger and malice. The presence of Christ melts away our earthly deceits and invites us to a new authenticity. Let all that is evil with us be put to death this day, that the joy of Easter may truly be ours. In the name of he that was dead and is now alive. Amen.

* **ASSURANCE OF GRACE**

* **PROFESSION OF FAITH** (Unison) **Apostles' Creed**
(Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **GLORIA PATRI** (Unison)

* **THE PEACE** (Response: "And also with you.")

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 28:1-10 Pg. 33 NT

TIME WITH THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

(Kids may leave for Church School afterward.)

ANTHEM

SERMON "The Good Lord" Rev. Michael P. Catanzaro

* **SACRED MUSIC** "The Day of Resurrection!" #233 NPH

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

(Wave to your neighbors, and those joining via the live-stream.)

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the collection basket at the top of the stairs as you exit the sanctuary following the worship.)

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER, PRAYER OF DEDICATION & LORD'S PRAYER

(Debts & Debtors; Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **DOXOLOGY** (Unison, Inside Cover of the Hymnal)

* **SACRED MUSIC** "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" #248 NPH

* **CHARGE & BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION (Seated)

* **Congregation standing; as each person desires.**

Masks are welcome but not required, distance as you are comfortable.

Virtual fellowship via Zoom will take place at 11:30 a.m.

<https://zoom.us/j/6360764407>

Following the worship service everyone is invited to Fellowship Hall for conversation and a light repast.

The Mission of the 1st Presbyterian Church of Canton is to reach out to all people and welcome them in celebrating truly the joys, freedoms and responsibilities that come with our faith in God, Christ's unconditional love for us, and the power of the Holy Spirit to transform our world. Through this nurturing Christian Community we will fully recognize the value of each believer, humbly forgive ourselves and others, and lovingly embrace God's Grace.

REMEMBRANCES

We remember in prayer Christa Lyon, Bill and Karen Parker, Marilyn Rodee, Jodi Falardeau, Ann Spencer, Bill Webb, Jane Cable, Nancy and Mark Brown, Josh Holbrook, Rita Ostrander, Colleen Grant, Janet Favro, Janeil Speid, Karen Jagger, Jody Upton and all who are ill in hospitals, nursing homes or at home; and those serving our nation and their families who support them.

Director of Music: Dr. Anthony Eversole
Assistant Choir Director: Bob Duda
Pianist: Kathleen Crecco
Church School Director: Andrea Montgomery
Office Coordinator: Lynne HunterBeach

The password for our church wifi network is: Lakew00d4331a
Password for the Zoom fellowship call at 11:30 a.m. is 3862570

AT OUR CHURCH THIS WEEK

Today 04/09/23 - In-Person and Live-Stream Worship (10 a.m.)
- Virtual Fellowship via Zoom (11:30 a.m.)
Wednesday 04/12/23 - Women's Circle LL (7 p.m.)
Thursday 04/13/23 - Choir Practice (7 p.m.)
Saturday 04/15/23 - Newsletter Deadline
- Rummage Sale Set-Up FH (1 p.m.)
Sunday 04/16/30 - Name Tag Sunday
- Noisy Can Offering
- No Church School
- Begin Bringing Rummage To Church

Birthdays: Emma Brackett, Nancey Brackett,
Audrey Gollinger (Monday); Linda Potter (Tuesday);
Kelly Smith, Barb Brown (Wednesday)
Patti Cryderman (Saturday)

Anniversaries: Terry & Martha Billings (Friday)

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