



# **EASTER SUNDAY**

**AT FIRST PRES**

**SANCTUARY | APRIL 5, 2026**

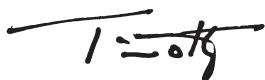
**8:00, 9:30, + 11:15 AM**

Thank you for joining in on the celebration of Easter! It is one of our highest and most important days of the year. Jesus came. Jesus died. Jesus rose from the dead.

As you sit in the wonder and majesty of worship today, know that this story includes you. What Jesus did in life, in death, and in resurrection, he did for you and for your salvation. There is a new way of life open to all of us in Jesus.

So, settle in with high expectation and an open heart. We are so glad you are here. This is the time and this is the place! Let's lift the name of God on high.

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tim McConnell', with a long horizontal line above it.

Tim McConnell  
Lead Pastor



# SERVICE OF WORSHIP

LIKE HIM WE RISE // REV. DR. TIM MCCONNELL

## PRELUDE

*Crown Him with Endless Praise!*  
Arranger: Phillip E. Allen

## INTROIT

*"Hallelujah, Amen"*  
*from Judas Maccabaeus*  
Composer: George Frideric Handel

## CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. John Goodale (8 & 9:30);  
Rev. Dr. Mateen Ellass (11:15)

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* | No. 288  
Arranger: Mack Wilberg

## GOOD NEWS OF EASTER

Tim McConnell (8 + 9:30) Mateen Ellass (11:15)

## SONG OF ADORATION

*All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*  
No. 106  
Peter Tuff, baritone

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord Jesus, we are slow to believe the mystery of Easter, and cannot fathom all it means for us. Please forgive our sins that brought You to the cross. Forgive us when we act like You are still locked in a tomb. Help us to live in resurrection life, following You each day, our living Lord. Accept our flickering faith, and help us to believe, that we might love and honor You, one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, together worshipped and adored forever and ever. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

## MINISTRY OF MUSIC

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*  
Arranger: Gilbert Martin

## SERMON

Like Him We Rise // Romans 6:1-11  
Rev. Dr. Tim McConnell

## HYMN OF RESPONSE

*And Can It Be* | No. 366

## INTRODUCTION OF OFFERING

Rev. Dave Steane (8); Rev. Matt Holtzman (9:30); Rev. Ellen Dawson (11:15)

## OFFERING OUR GIFTS

*Sing!*  
Composers: Charles-Marie Widor,  
David Willcocks

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE + THE LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Dave Steane (8); Rev. Matt Holtzman (9:30); Rev. Ellen Dawson (11:15)

## CLOSING HYMN

*Jesus Shall Reign* | No. 341

## CHARGE + BLESSING

## POSTLUDE

*Toccata on Easter Hymn*  
Composer: Diane Bish

# SHARE THE JOY OF EASTER



*At First Pres, we believe that to love like Jesus means living in a way that leaves a lasting impact on others. Each name listed here represents a life lived in dedication to Christ and in love for the people around them. The gifts given in their memory continue that legacy through compassion and care. Through the Deacons' Fund, these donations help meet real needs in our church and city—honoring lives well lived by loving others well.*

Marianne Barker for  
Victoria Dzwons

Cherry, Dan, Craig & Tara for  
Lloyd Berger

Her children, Jo, Lori,  
Ron & Tom for  
Janet Berridge

Bill & Trish Bibler for  
Jim & Agnes Bibler  
Gregg & Kay Ewing  
Milford & Marion Link

Phil & Arlene Bosma for  
Andrew & Marie Bosma  
George & Ida Mulder  
George Mulder Jr.  
Ray & Cathy Mulder

Kang Lee Brown for  
Jim Brown  
Dr. Frank Sheppard

Maxine Bryant for  
Charles & Olive Bryant  
Ronald C. Bryant  
Bobby Carmack

Joyce, Shelly, & Sienna Busby; Lori,  
Steve, Hannah, & Halli Sarine for  
Terry Busby

Linda Champlin-Frank for  
Richard Champlin  
Raymond Frank  
Chris Nowak  
John Victory

Sherry Clarkin for  
Paul Clarkin  
Joe & Golda Clarkin  
Harry & Evelyn McMullen  
Virginia Altman  
Golda Clarkin

Mike & Mary Davis for  
Rex & Joyce Lytle  
Rocky Lytle  
Carole Davis  
Larry Davis

Carolyn DeKok, Kristen, Ryan & families  
for  
Roger DeKok  
Charlotte & Bill Flinkow

Phil & Anne DeVries for  
Jim Pattee  
Joan Thompson  
Bruce & Lynn Pattee  
Warren & June DeVries

Frank & Deborah Dowis for  
Lewis & Dorothy Gabbert  
William J & Cleola Dowis

Andrew & Lisa Dowis; Randy & Mary  
Dowis for  
Cherie Dowis

Richard, Ann, Jim & Susan for  
Mary Nesbitt Duncan

Roseann Engelage for  
My twin brother,  
Randy Bellizzi

Mary Furda for  
Larry Furda

Carol Galambos for  
Christine Weems

Ralph & Robin Gates for  
Heather Werner  
Corrie Dunkerton

Beverly Goodall for  
Safford & Florence  
Herrmann

Audrey Grand & family for  
Ronald Grand

Gulsvig family for  
Frosty & Meva Gottschalk  
Dick Rand

Lisa Hallock for  
Rufina Holstegge  
Christine Weems

Don & Ginger Hansen for  
Robert & Mildred Hansen  
E.N. "Doc" & Grace Romnes

Andi Harris for  
Chuck Wells Harris  
Howard & Evelyn Richardson  
Charles & Virginia Harris

Gene & Jeff Harsh for  
Mrs. Lois E. Harsh  
Doug, Connie, Tyler Harsh  
Mr. & Mrs. Herbert Scheaffer  
Mr. & Mrs. LeRoy Harsh

Ken & Sue Hayward & family for  
Ed & Ruth Jenkins  
Aaron Hayward

Michael & Sarah Heath for  
Donald & Marion Heath  
Glenn & Betty Copeland  
Larry & Meredith Bass  
Mark & Casey Bass  
Michael Heath Jr.  
Robert Grupe

Ginny Holloman for  
Paul Holloman  
Paul Dalbacka

Evelyne Jean for  
Madeleine & Gaston Berlin  
Odette & Robert Jean

David Jenkins & family for  
Sue Jenkins  
Matthew Jenkins  
Dr. Homer & Jennette Brown  
Dr. Jim & Marti Hamilton  
JoAnn Brechbill  
Delmar & Frances Jenkins  
Dotty Dotts

Lynn & Frances Kehler for  
Neil Kehler

Fred & Kathy Kyer for  
Jeremy Patrick Kyer

Tracy & Sara Lee for  
William R Lee  
Joseph & Sidney Clutter

Richard & Carolyn Lemp for  
Cal Weiser  
Calvin & Carrie Weiser  
Warren & Betty Lemp

Myra, Sarah, David, & families for  
James McCoy

Tim & Patti McFarland for  
Wayne & Shirley McFarland  
Richard & Betty Burgess

Karen McGee for  
Merrilyn Jayne Fooshee

Kevin & Marie Moore for  
Norma Newkirk  
Robert Newkirk

Pam Moore for  
George Moore

David & Lynne Murray for  
Eleanor Griffith  
Walter & Beatrice Murray

Dave & Jacque Olson for  
Guy & Patricia Olson  
Melvin & Janette Wipf

Roy & Sharon Oswandel for  
Dr. & Mrs. Russell A. Pavy  
Edward W. Pavy  
Daniel Russell Oswandel

Pansy & Sharon Pals for  
Donald Pals

Stephanie Parker for  
Marlin & Esther Swab

Cindi Perrin; Robbie & Marty Emge for  
Bill & Jeanie Perrin

Gladys Perry for  
Phil M. Perry  
Gale Rutherford

Debbie & Paul Perryman for  
Our parents

Wally Peterson family for  
Harry & Mildred Peterson  
Joe & Doris Gascoigne  
Herb, David & Scott  
Peterson  
Lu Ann Gascoigne Peterson

Patricia Plymell for  
Owen Plymell

Hazel Reeder & family for  
Bruce Reeder

Ben Reyes for  
Jerry Nelson  
Marian Simpson  
Christine Weems

Marcia Roulier & family for  
Robert R. Roulier

Randy & Linda Samelson for  
Donald & Martha  
Samelson  
David & Ruth Penner

Barby & Glenn Schlabs for  
Raymond & Virginia Allen  
Helen & Frank Schlabs  
Mary Lou Schleher

Gary & Vickie Sherwood for  
George O. & Emma Teats  
Harold S. & Virginia J. Teats  
Patty Jo Teats Bruggeman  
Janet Teats Berridge

Jim, Sarah, Rachel, Jennifer, & Julie  
Smith for  
Jean Kathryn Smith

Vern R. Smith & family for  
Mary R. Smith

Marianne, Darris, Susan, Barry & Jana  
Stauffer; Darrin & Robyn Skur for  
Robert Stauffer

Gail Stevens & family for  
Rev. Dr. John H. Stevens  
Dwight & Maxine Stanford  
Fern Sample Stanford  
Henry & Helen Stevens  
Wilma Ryerson Bogue Stevens  
Jim Maffett  
Gary Becker

Judy & Jim Walton for  
Martha & Edward Green  
Rita & Miller Walton

Marni White for  
L. David White

Dorinda Zuroff for  
Ron Zuroff  
Howard & Dorothy Breitling



# CARING MINISTRIES



**“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.”**

2 Corinthians 1:3-4

## **NO ONE HURTS ALONE**

Our hope is to be a church where no one hurts alone and no one is forgotten at a time of crisis. We offer prayer, support groups, counseling, and more. If you are in need of care, please reach out by calling 719-884-6145 or visiting [firstprescos.org/care](http://firstprescos.org/care). We'd love to walk alongside you.

## **ONE ON ONE ENCOURAGEMENT + SUPPORT**

Our Stephen Ministers are highly trained individuals who are available to listen and support those experiencing seasons of loss, for an hour a week.

## **NEED PRAYER?**

We have a group that prays for concerns. Please email [prayer@firstprescos.org](mailto:prayer@firstprescos.org) to submit your prayer.

**For more information, call our Caring Ministries Office at 719-884-6145 or learn more online at [firstprescos.org/care](http://firstprescos.org/care)**

# *You Belong Here*

Belonging starts by discovering the life God is inviting you into. At First Pres, we want to help you find your rhythm of worship, your people to grow with, and your place to live for others.

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## *Explore Your Pattern*

Worship trains our hearts to beat for God. Sunday isn't just a service, it's a rhythm that sets the tone for your week ahead. What connects us all is the same hope: that Jesus would be glorified, and that we would be shaped by His Word; transformed to be Light and Life for this city. Explore how to set your rhythms of life here at First Pres.

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## *Discover Your People*

Faith is not a solo sport. We weren't made to follow Jesus alone. We need people who know our name and walk with us. In groups, you'll find prayer, friendship, laughter, and the kind of belonging that grows your faith.

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## *Step Into Your Place*

You were made to live for others. Serving isn't a task, it's your chance to reflect the love of Jesus. Whether you're behind the scenes or on the front lines, your presence matters. Discover how your gifts make an eternal impact.

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Take your next step today - discover your pattern, people, and place here at First Pres.

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