

**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of BROKEN BOW, NEBRASKA
WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

March 27, 2016

10:00 A.M.

Easter/Passion Sunday

We extend an enthusiastic welcome to all who would worship here or join us in fellowship. We affirm that there can be no exclusion within the body of Christ. If you need assistance, please check with the ushers. If you have a prayer request, please fill out a request slip found in the pews and place it in the offering plate or send it to the church office.

If you would like to have a conversation about joining our church, please contact Pastor Gary Smith.

* Please rise in body or spirit

Bold - Read in Unison

Preparation for Worship

Surrounded by the deep darkness of this generation, we turn our thoughts to you, O heavenly Father. We are mindful of the mission of your Son, Jesus Christ; therefore, awaken us, make us watchful, and keep us from the time of trial. Yes, keep us from the time of trial, and make us ever grateful that Jesus has fulfilled the Scriptures and undergone the great trial on our behalf.

PRELUDE:

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - Gary Smith

SHARING THE PEACE:

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And Also with You.** Let us share the peace of Christ with those among us

* COLLECT/OPENING PRAYER - Gary Smith

* CALL TO WORSHIP: Liturgist-

Be gracious to me, O Lord, for I am in distress;

my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

For my life is spent with sorrow, and my years with sighing;

My strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors,

an object of dread to my acquaintances;

those who see me in the street flee from me.

I have passed out of mind like one who is dead;

I have become like a broken vessel.

For I hear the whispering of many - terror all around! -

As they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

But I trust in you, O Lord;

I say, "You are my God."

My times are in your hand;

deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

Let your face shine upon your servant;

save me in your steadfast love.

* HYMN # 232

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

*CALL TO CONFESSION - Gary Smith

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION -- Unison - Liturgist

Holy God, what forces of darkness conspired to take the life of your Son, and what obedience he showed, what anguish he endured, in accepting your will that he should suffer death for us! Forgive us, O God, for our sinful state, that such a sacrifice was ever needful. Forgive us for slumbering through circumstances that grieve you to the heart. Forgive us for grieving for the wrong things, for failing to recognize righteous, the faithful, and the humble among us. Strengthen us, we pray, for Christlike obedience, that we may have the mind of Christ to instruct us to glorify you in loyalty and to serve you with patient endurance.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS - Gary Smith

Thanks be to God.

*RESPONSE- "Jesus, Remember Me"

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CHILDREN'S CHOIR

CHILDREN'S TIME - Gary Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION - Liturgist

God of abundant life,

you have made this day,

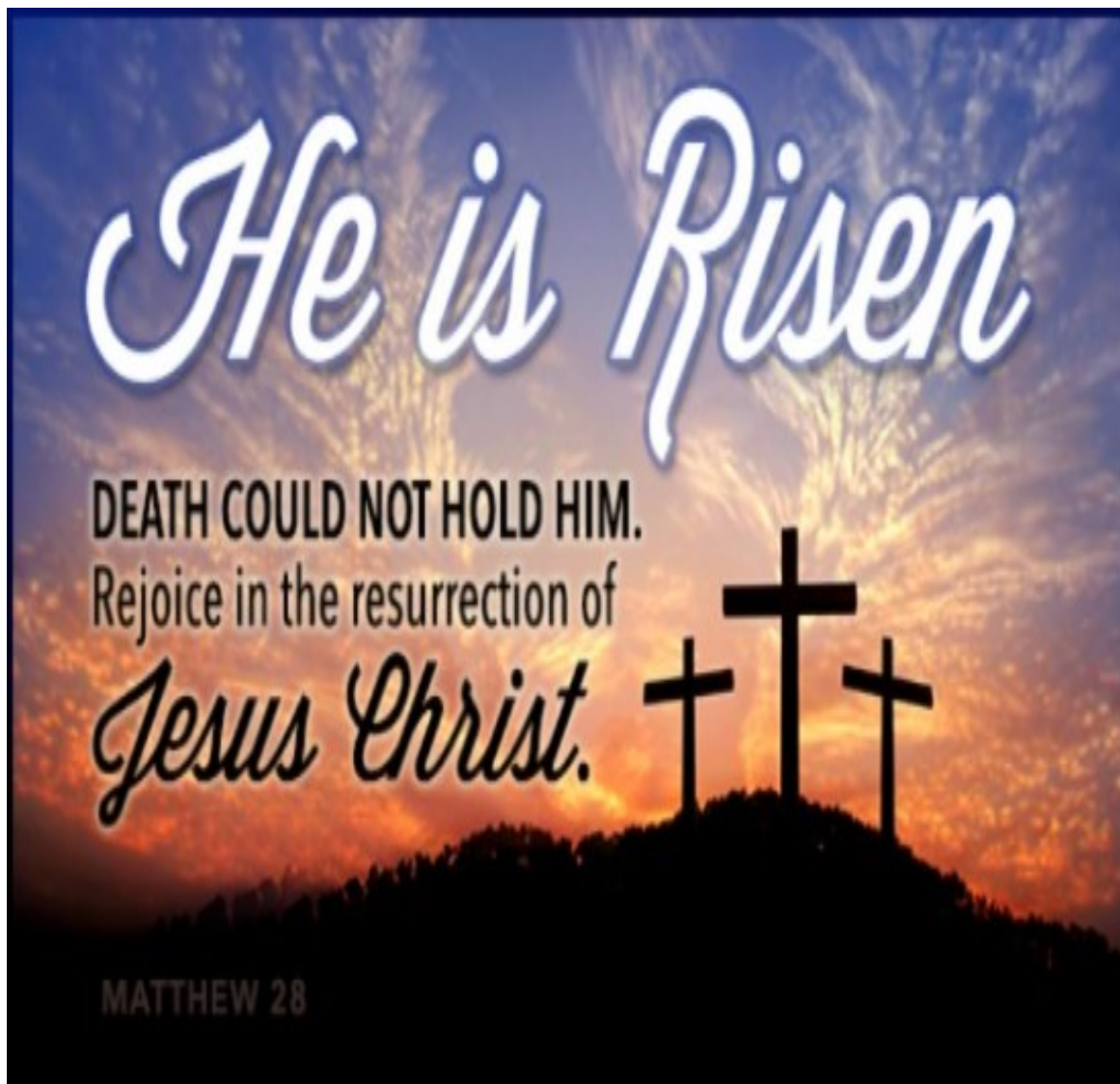
and so we rejoice

and are glad in it.

By the gift of your Spirit,

tune our hearts and minds

to hear your living Word afresh



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This Month In Our Church

SUNDAY 2/21 10:00 AM Worship & Coffee Fellowship after service
WEDNESDAY 2/24 Quigley's & J-Squad and Confirmation Meeting
SUNDAY 2/28 10:00 AM Worship

****Coffee Fellowship is today following service!!!!**

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****There is a sign-up sheet out in the Narthex for anyone that would like to purchase an Easter Lily. We have not heard back from the florist on price so we will be sure to let everyone know that information once we find out. Thank you!**

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