

**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- De Loehr

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 De Loehr

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 Christ like 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- HYMN # 227 "Jesus, Remember Me"

CHILDREN'S CHOIR- "The Easter Garden Celebration"

CHILDREN'S TIME - Gary Smith

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION - Liturgist De Loehr

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 in this day and for this time. May our lives answer your eternal Word with resurrection hope. Amen.

PREPARATION - Liturgist De Loehr

The Word is near to us,
on our lips and in our hearts.

Romans 10:8

First Reading Isaiah 65:17-25 Liturgist De Loehr

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The Word of the Lord... **Thanks be to God**

Second Reading John 20:1-18

Gary Smith

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ANTHEM: Chancel Choir

MESSAGE "Christ Is Risen!" Pastor Gary Smith

*HYMN #317 "In Christ There Is No East or West"

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Unison

We believe that Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another. We believe that unity is, therefore, both a gift and an obligation for the church of Jesus Christ. We believe that, through the working of God's Spirit, it is a binding force, yet simultaneously a reality which must be earnestly pursued and sought: one which the people of God must continually be built up to attain.

Adapted from the Confession of Belhar

*TITHES AND OFFERINGS

* DOXOLGY # 606

* PRAYERS

*HYMN #238 "Thine Is the Glory"

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

*SUNG BENEDICTION "They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love"

---(Everyone stand and join hands while singing) ---

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,

We are one in the Spirit, we are one in the Lord,

And we pray that all unity may one day be restored:

And they'll know we are Christians by our love, by our love;

Yes, they'll know we are Christians by our love.

*POSTLUDE

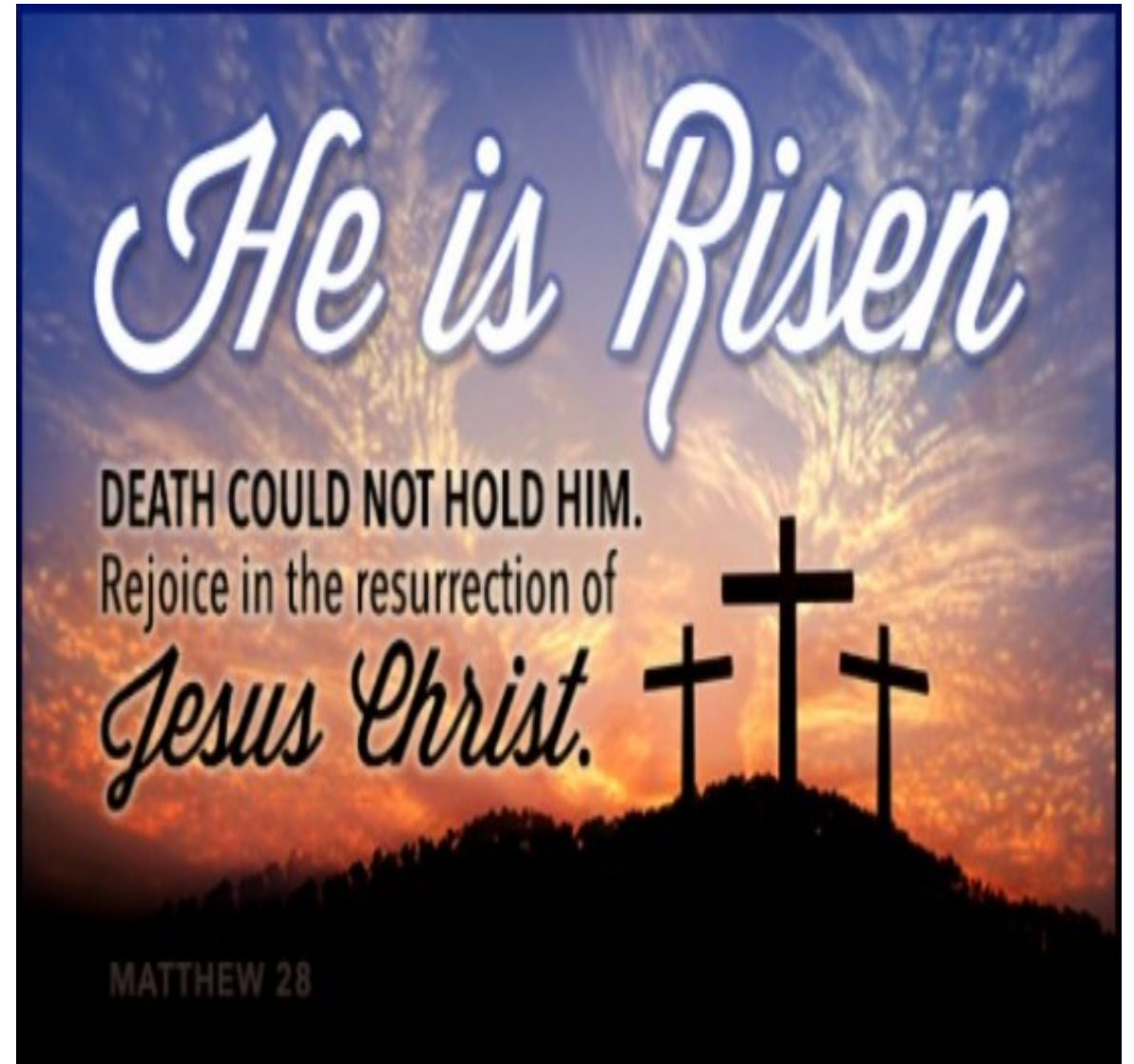
A special **THANK YOU** to everyone that helped with worship.

Bill Reichert ~ Organist

Jan Dobesh ~ Pianist

Greeters/Ushers ~

Liturgists ~ De Loehr



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Prayers to all of those that were affected by the attacks in Brussels, Belgium.

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