

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
PENDLETON, OREGON      APRIL 11, 2021

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**PASTOR** – Rev. Ann Marie Hardin  
**LITURGIST** – Katherine Kraul-Hernberg  
**VOCALS** – Steve Muller  
**ORGAN/PIANO**– Sue Nelson  
**AV SUPPORT** – Alison Moses

**Bold words** are spoken together.  
***Bold Italic words*** are sung together.

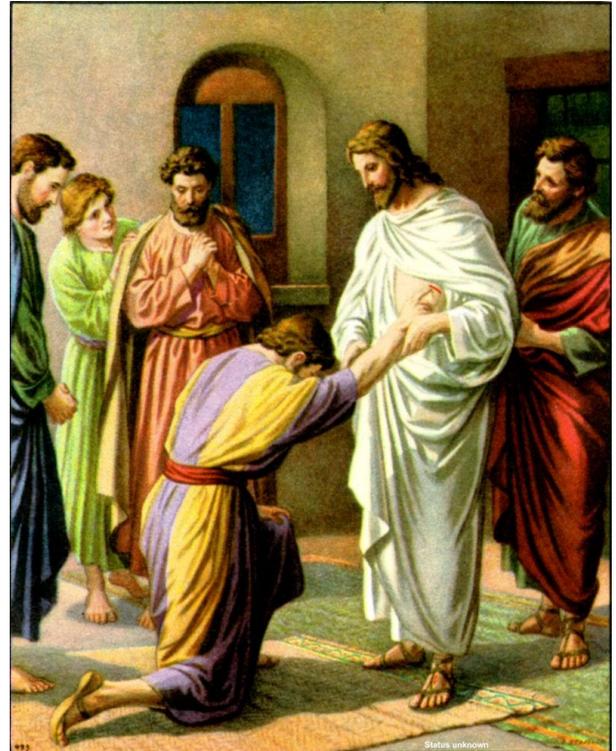
PRELUDE *Simple Gifts* J. Wayne Kerr

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING PRAYER

HYMN #246 CHRIST IS ALIVE

1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.
2. Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now,  
and touching every place and time.
3. In every insult, rift, and war  
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,
4. Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, where even hope has died.
4. Women and men, in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.



CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 133

How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!

**It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard,  
on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes.**

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion.

**For there the LORD ordained blessings, life forevermore.**

Come, let us worship the LORD!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

From Psalm 133, 1 John 2, John 20

You know us so very well, Christ Jesus.

**You know our doubts and our questions,  
and you love us enough to welcome such doubts and questions.**

You know our fractures and divisions, and you love us enough to invite us to forgive one another and live in unity.

**You know the shadows that tempt us, and still you shine your light within,  
inviting warmth and welcoming us back to your path of peace and love.**

Thank you for loving us and for inviting us on the journey of love.

Help us embrace this journey, that we may walk in the light,  
and live in unity together.

(time for silent, personal confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON From 1 John 1, 1 John 2

God is faithful in love and grace, making our confession welcome and cleansing for the soul. Rejoice! We are children of light.

Even when we falter, God's love is strong enough to bring us back to the light of forgiveness and grace.

Join me in these words of forgiveness:

**By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**

GLORIA PATRI

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:  
world without end. Amen. Amen***

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ is in our midst. The peace of Christ encourages our souls and guides our path. Let us share that peace with one another.

May the peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

ANTHEM *Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers*

FIRST LESSON Acts 4:32-35

EPISTLE LESSON 1 John 1:1-2:2

GOSPEL LESSON John 20:19-31

SERMON

PRAYERS OF JOY AND CONCERN AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

HYMN #239 GOOD CHRISTIANS ALL, REJOICE AND SING!

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| <p>1. Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!<br/>Now is the triumph of our King!<br/>To all the world glad news we bring:<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> | <p>3. Praise we in songs of victory<br/>that love, that life which cannot die,<br/>and sing with hearts uplifted high:<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</p> |
| <p>2. The Lord of life is risen today!<br/>Death's mighty stone is rolled away.<br/>Let all the earth rejoice and say:<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</p>    | <p>4. Your name we bless, O risen Lord,<br/>and sing today with one accord<br/>the life laid down, the life restored:<br/>Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!</p>  |

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing* John Leavite  
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## REV. ANN MARIE HARDIN

Hello! I am Ann Marie Hardin, and I am very excited to be with you this Sunday. I completed my Master of Divinity degree from Church Divinity School of the Pacific in Berkley, California. This program allowed me to continue living at home and to keep my teaching position at Blue Mountain Community College while still responding to God's call to ordained ministry. I am currently an Assisting Priest in the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer.

I was born in Pendleton, and spent most of my childhood on the family farm outside of Pilot Rock, where my husband, Steve and I now live and keep a small menagerie of various types of animals. Both he and I graduated from Pilot Rock High School. Yes, we did date in High School, although we went our separate ways for a time. I attended the University of Idaho, earning degrees in chemical engineering and applied mathematics. He enlisted in the Navy. Near the end of his enlistment, we reconnected and eventually were married. After college, I worked in south eastern Idaho, as a chemical engineer, while Steve attended Idaho State University, where he earned a Bachelor Degree in nursing. In 2007 we returned to Pilot Rock to be closer to our families. I continued to work as a chemical engineer for a time, commuting on a biweekly basis to Bellingham, WA. In 2009, I began teaching at BMCC in the Math and Engineering departments, a position I continue to enjoy. We have one child, Sarah, who recently moved out into her own home in Pilot Rock. She is currently working towards becoming a high school science teacher, with an eye towards eventually teaching in a small town somewhere in Eastern Oregon.

I have been active in the Episcopal Church since my youth, and have felt called to ordained ministry for many years. I am excited to have found a program that allowed me to respond to that call and pursue the education that is part of the preparation for ordained ministry. I look forward to being with you. Thank you for welcoming me to spend this time with you.

Peace and love to all,  
The Rev. Deacon Ann Marie Hardin