

First Presbyterian Church of Springfield
Order of Worship for the Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 25, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. Rosanna Anderson

Organist: Mike Belote

Worship Leader: Linda Thomas

Welcome

We Approach God

Call to Worship

Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!

How can we know the way of God?

Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life.

Prelude

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Again”

Mike Belote

Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, through the resurrection of your Son, you have lifted us up and filled us with rejoicing. With hearts filled with joy and gratitude, we worship and adore you. **Amen.**

Call to Confession

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But when we confess our sin, God who is faithful and just will forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In faith, let us approach God’s throne of grace.

Prayer of Confession

Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us by our sin, and we forget your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. By the power of your Holy Spirit, cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, so that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confiding in your grace and finding in you our refuge and strength. We pray through Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. **Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the good news: anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone, a new life has begun! Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Thanks be to God!**

God Speaks to Us Through God’s Word

Prayer for Illumination

