

# FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

PLEASANT VALLEY AND CAMDEN AVENUES

MOORESTOWN, NEW JERSEY

A community of faith committed to sharing the love of Jesus Christ  
with a hurting world through words and actions

March 31, 2013

EASTER SUNDAY

11:00 A.M. Service

HEARING DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE ON REQUEST FROM USHERS

Numbers in the bulletin refer to pages in the United Methodist Hymn book located in the pews

**PRELUDE**

The Day of Resurrection

arranged by Vaclav Nelhybel

## GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\***PROCESSIONAL HYMN 302** Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Verses 1-4

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good. Let all the people proclaim,  
“God’s steadfast love endures forever!”

**People: God’s steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: The Lord is my strength, my song, and my salvation!  
Shouts of joy resound in the tents of the righteous!

**People: God’s steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: The Lord’s right hand has done mighty things!

**People: We will not die but live. We will proclaim what the Lord has done.**

Leader: We enter the gates of the Lord and give thanks,  
for this is the day the Lord has made!

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

**OPENING PRAYER:** Holy and Living God, like a tomb’s darkness that gives way to light, open us this day to newness of life; open us to your love, to your acceptance, to your forgiveness, to your peace; open us to one another, and to the possibilities you have in store for us. Give us hope for the future and a passion for life here and now. We pray in the name of the One who destroyed death, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

\***RESPONSIVE READING 754**

Psalms 23

Response 2

\***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881**

The Apostles’ Creed

## \*GLORIA PATRI 70

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.

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

Alleluia, For Christ the Lord Is Risen!

J.S. Bach

**CALL TO PRAYER** HE IS LORD (by Tom Fettke)

He is Lord, He is Lord! He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!

Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. (1986 Word, Inc.)

## PASTORAL PRAYER

## 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

## CHORAL AMEN

## WE CELEBRATE OUR LIFE IN CHRIST

We welcome all who are worshiping with us this morning. Please fill out the blue-colored card that you will find in the bulletin. Write any special prayer requests on the back, and pass them face down to the center aisle.

## PRESENTATION OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

**MINISTRY OF MUSIC**

On the Third Day

Allen Pote

Adult Choir

## \*DOXOLOGY 95

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise him, all creatures here below;**

**praise him above, ye heavenly host;**

**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**HYMN OF PREPARATION 306** The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done

**SCRIPTURE READING**

Mark 16:1-7

**SERMON**

King’s Cross, 8

Pastor Steve Donat

*The Beginning*

## \*CLOSING HYMN 312

Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

## \*CHORAL RESPONSE

“Hallelujah Chorus”

Handel

Choir and Congregation

## \*POSTLUDE

\*While the congregation stands, those who would find this uncomfortable may remain seated.

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**THE EASTER MUSIC IS PROVIDED BY** Adult Choir, Adult Handbell Ringers, Fred Reimers, trumpet, Jim Wehner and Andrei Shidlowski, trombones, and Joyce Scheyhing, timpani.

**CHILD CARE IS AVAILABLE** in Room E101 for children up to age four.

**USHERS:** Ed White, Ralph Adamson, Garth Berner, Rob Kazmierski, Gene Kindig

**GREETERS:** Linda and George Gross **ACOLYTES:** Aaron Haegele, Rebekah Bryan

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK:** Worship: 634 Sunday School: 152

**PLEASE LET US KNOW...**Due to current privacy regulations, churches are no longer notified if a member of their congregation is hospitalized. Therefore, if you or someone you know is ill or in the hospital, please let the church office know so that we can help in their healing process through our prayers, visits, food preparation, etc. Thank you!

**PRAYERS & SYMPATHY TO:** The family of Elizabeth Eberly who passed away last week.  
**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Stanton Webb, Faye Sienkiewicz, Ruth Allen, Paul Haynes, Aril Bryant (friend of Emily Wright), Charles Simon (brother of Bob Simon), Ben Brenner, Patti Ann Feeley (daughter-in-law of Jack & Jan Feeley), Rev. Bill Moyer, Edna Valentine (Lynda Guest's mother), Janet Richardson, Elaine Jenkins, Gina Adornetto (Carol Taylor's cousin), Nancy Madara Secor, Ann Kenny (friend of Beth Fisher), Ann Marie Pelosi (cousin of Doti Stewart), Family of David Gaw (friend of Bruce Van Dyke), C.B, Betty, and Mary Louise Shingleton, Ed & Marge Blackman (parents of Doug Blackman), Mike Rowe (friend of John & Bev Heusser), Robert Estrin (father of Allan Estrin), Maggie Goettle (former First Light Student), Linda Hill (friend of Ada Campanile), Shirley VanDuser, Harris Fister, The Seagraves Family, Bettie Hotong (friend of Elmine van den Berg), Doug Blackman, Kathy Cooper (friend of Karen Murray), Toni Obermeier (neighbor of Brian & Melissa O'Donnell) Nan Scheyhing, Ella Delaney (former First Light Student), James Vine (father of Keith Vine), Ginger Walsh (mother of First Light Teacher, Karen Murphy), Donna Banes, Dara Sawyer (Joan Flamini's daughter), Joan Goralski (Joan Flamini's mother), Alice Brenner, Phyllis Van Osten.  
**SERVING OVERSEAS:** Andre Hauser (grandson of Harris Fister), SSGT James Shields (son of Marcia Koury).

**The Staff of First United Methodist Church**

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