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WELCOME TO ELFINWILD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We offer a warm welcome to every worshipper,
and a way to serve for all who are willing.*

ORDER OF WORSHIP FOR THE LORD'S DAY EASTER SUNDAY March 31, 2013 8:30 AM Worship

You are invited to use the following Scripture for reflection as you prepare your hearts for worship.

*"I am the resurrection and the life.
He who believes in me will live, even though he dies;
and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.
Do you believe this?" Jesus*

CHILD CARE DURING WORSHIP

Cradle Roll (infants)*

8:30 AM -12:10 PM

Location – end of hall from sanctuary.

Toddlers (ages 2 - 4)

9:45 AM - 12:10 PM

Toddler Room located on the 1st floor of church building

Young Child in Worship (ages 4 - 2nd grade)

During the 11:10 Worship service

Location – Green Room, 1st floor C.E. Building

Children 3rd grade and up worship with their families.

**There will not be Cradle Roll the 2nd Sunday of the month until a volunteer is found. We apologize for the inconven-*

PRELUDE MUSIC Ron Bernhardt, organ

GATHERING SONG "Glorious Day"
Praise Team

WORDS OF WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF THE CHURCH

(Please sign the friendship pad that is located near the center aisle of each pew.)

“Glorious Day”

WE GATHER TOGETHER

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

People: He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us to be a light to the world.

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

***HYMN OF PRAISE NO. 123** “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CALL TO CONFESSION

1 John 1:8-10

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We over look the poor and the hungry and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 2:1-2

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***HYMN OF THANKS NO. 104** “Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”

GIVING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Glorious Day”
Praise Team

Verse 1

One day when heaven was filled with His praises

One day when sin was as black as could be

Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin

Dwelt among men my example is He

The Word became flesh And the light shined among us

His glory revealed

Chorus

Living He loved me, dying He saved me,

Buried He carried my sins far away, Rising He justified freely forever

One day He's coming, O glorious day O glorious day

Verse 2

One day they led Him up Calv'ry's mountain

One day they nailed Him to die on a tree

Suffering anguish despised and rejected

Bearing our sins my Redeemer is He

The hand that healed nations Stretched out on a tree

And took the nails for me (Chorus)

Verse 3

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer

One day the stone rolled away from the door

Then He arose over death He had conquered

Now is ascended my Lord evermore

Death could not hold Him

The grave could not keep Him From rising again (chorus)

Bridge

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming

One day the skies with His glories will shine

Wonderful day my beloved one bringing My Savior Jesus is mine

(Chorus)

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*DOXOLOGY

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.

*STATEMENT OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

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.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:1-12
(page 989 in pew Bible)

SERMON “Remembering His Words” The Rev. Dr. Dirk Lesnett

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Words of Invitation

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution

Receiving the Bread and the Cup+

Prayer of Thanksgiving

+ *Please hold each element until all have been served.*

WE ARE SENT FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN NO. 150** “Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

*BENEDICTION

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

“Jesus is Alive”
Praise Team