

First Presbyterian Church of Marysville

“Awe”

Worship @ Home April 20, 2025 (Resurrection of the Lord)

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Light a candle to remind you of Christ's light.

Take three deep and centering breaths.

Breathe in “Loving God”

Breathe out “Prepare my heart”

OR

Sing “Surely the Presence of the Lord”

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

I can feel his mighty power and his grace

I can hear the brush of angels' wings

I see glory on each face

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

One: Run from fear and darkness! Hope is on the move!

All: Run to tell the world, Christ is risen!

One: Do not be afraid. Jesus has conquered death!

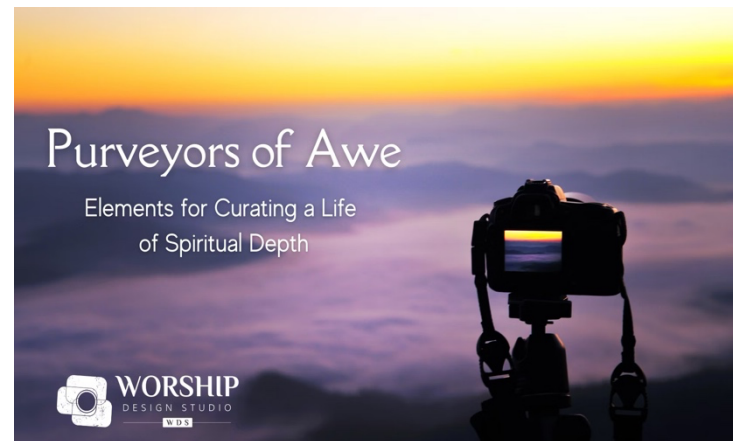
All: We can proclaim with great confidence that God's love rules.

One: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed!

Pastor: We have journeyed for several weeks reminding ourselves that life and the world is full of awe. We have seen beauty, we have opened to wonder, we have searched for meaning with curiosity, we have delighted in the gifts of the Divine One. We have reconnected with each other and remembered the joy of self-giving on behalf of a better world. This morning is the most awe-filled of all. Our faith story is ultimately about the victory of life over death.

All: Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth Thou hast for me. Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free. Silently now I wait for Thee, ready, my God, Thy will to see. Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!



HYMN: "Jesus Christ is Risen Today #123 Blue

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

One: Nothing can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ, not even death. Trusting in this Good News, let us turn to God to honestly confess our sins.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Awe-inspiring God, like the tomb's darkness that gives way to light, open us this day to newness of life. Give us lenses of awe with which to perceive and love life as you perceive and love the life you have given us. Open us to become a bigger part of your story of resurrected love. Remind us of the precious joy of life and open us to savor anew the gift of love all around us. (Silent Prayer)

CLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

One: Christ conquered death to restore us to life. God forgives us. Jesus embraces us. The Spirit enlivens us. We are whole.

All: **With awe, we accept God's belovedness. Thanks be to God!**

HYMN: "The Day of Resurrection #118 Blue

SCRIPTURE READING: Mark 16:1-8

MESSAGE: "Awe"

Rev. Grace Suwabe

On this Easter morning as we consider the empty tomb, we should be in awe of the massive implications of the resurrection, which stirs in our souls a deep sense of amazement and wonder and an indestructible sense of hope. Jesus is alive, gives eternal life to all who believe in Him, and has given us resurrection life right now. (Please contemplate on these words and spend some time with God in prayer.)

GATHERING AND DEDICATING OUR OFFERING

One: God meets our needs and transforms us for service.

All: **With glad and generous hearts, let us give from what we have received.**

Consider what gifts you could offer to God and to God's people. Speak them out loud or write them down and after worship, make a plan to share these gifts.

Some examples include – share God's love by sharing your resources with someone in need, performing a random act of kindness, thanking someone for their help or service

*Please continue to support the church by mailing your offering (checks only) to the church office:

First Presbyterian Church of Marysville – 1900 Ahern St, Suite B, Marysville, CA 95901

You may also drop off your offering at the church office on Thursdays from 10 am – 4 pm or Fridays from 11 am – 2 pm or use the wall mail slot next to Suite B door. (Please do not put anything in the outside mailboxes.)

Online giving is also available! Copy and paste the below link into your browser and follow the prompts:

https://www.eservicepayments.com/cgi-bin/Vanco_ver3.vps?appver3=wWsk24ZWJSTZKsGd1RMKlg0BDvsSG3VIWQCPJNNxD8upkiY7JIDavDsozUE7KG0nFx2NSo8LdUKGuGuF396vbZpZISnR1aL6Jy6aLfIKsLAIYnTg5dP4O6rpX5QvPEWIBhHDN59kLZFffwKfYERpQrqXrEYxb09pApAL3pdNN38=&ver=3

Thank you for your continued support of the church!

THE DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heaven-ly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, A-men.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Offer prayer for the needs of the world, paying particular attention to those who are experiencing fear, anxiety, and hopelessness. May they find comfort, hope, and help in God's presence and God's people.

Let us join together in prayer for the following people:

Aurel, Betty, Lorraine, Marilyn, Peggy, Joe, Joe, Judy, Jackie, Pearl, Adam, Carrie, Christina, Herm, Huang, Jackie, Joanne, Joyce, Kenneth, Luann, Luke, Mindy, Nathan, Raelynn, Timothy, Vicki, Wayne

If you are in need of prayer or assistance, please let Pastor Grace know at fpcmsvlpastor@gmail.com.

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: "I Serve a Risen Savior" #158 Red

CHARGE

One: Be a purveyor of awe this week and every week. Find awe in God and in God's creation.

All: **We go to be purveyors of awe, curating a life of spiritual depth that inspires others to join us on the journey.**

BENEDICTION

May the Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of Awe, the Holy One-in-Three, be with you all now and throughout these days. Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Amen

(Extinguish the candle if you lit one at the beginning of worship and allow the smoke to billow as a reminder of Christ's abiding presence.)

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Hours during week of Apr. 20th – Apr. 26th

Thursdays 10 am – 4 pm

Fridays 11 am – 2 pm

Website: www.firstpresmarysville.church

Announcements:

Potluck today following worship service.

No Bible study April 23rd or April 30th

One Great Hour of Sharing special offering is being collected to support efforts to relieve hunger, assist in repairs after disasters, and promote the self-development of all people.

Stuffed bunnies and other animals are being collected for first responders.

Volunteers are needed for church prayer chain. See Judy.

The food pantry (1905-C Covillaud St.) is open on Fridays from 10 am – 12 noon. Help is welcomed.

*Items needed – *canned fruit, pasta, cereal*