

**First Presbyterian Church of Rolla  
Worship Service Third Sunday of Easter**

April 19, 2026

**Pre-Service Music:**

**Welcome and Announcements:**

**Prelude:**

**Introit #655:** *What Shall I Render to the Lord* v. 4 Psalm 116 Chancel Choir

**Responsive Call to Worship/Prayer of the Day**

Jesus the Christ has freed us from death and brought us into new life.

**Through Christ, we have faith and hope in God.**

In genuine, mutual love, let us worship with one heart and one voice.

**In reverence and joy, we praise God's holy name!**

**Prayer of the Day**

**Risen and Living God, in your endless love and grace, you have given us all we need. Open our weary eyes to moments when need meets resource and longing is satisfied in giving. Send us where you need us and fill us with your purpose, so that all people may know the wonder and joy of your redeeming presence, through Jesus the Christ. Amen.**

**Opening Hymn #404:**

*What is This Place*

(stand)

## **Call to Confession**

As we continue our celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are called to repent.

**Remembering that the promise of Jesus Christ is for us, for our children, for our siblings, for all who are near and all who are far, for everyone called to God.**

## **Prayer of Confession**

**Eternally patient God, we ask again and again, “What should we do?” And again and again, you tell us, “Repent and return to me.” Yet we have not changed our ways. We fall into old habits, cling to our own ways, and take for granted the grace you have given us. Once again, we ask you for forgiveness. Show us the way forward and help us return, once again, to you. Amen.**

## **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Beloved, hear this good news: through Christ you have come to trust in God, who raised Christ from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.

**We are born anew, through the living and enduring word of God. Alleluia! Praise to the risen Christ!**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

## **Passing the Peace of Christ**

**Gloria #583:**     *Glory to God*     English, then Latin

**Anthem:** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*   I. Watts arr. Patti Drennan

**Time for sharing joys and concerns, and the prayer list.**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

Merciful God. **Receive our 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 #729:**      *Lord I Want to Be a Christian*      (seated)

**Prayer for Illumination:**

**Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**Scriptures for the Day:**

**First Lesson:** Acts 2:14a, 36 - 41

**Second Lesson:** 1 Peter 1:17 – 23

**Gospel Lesson:** Luke 24:13 - 35

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved.

**Thanks be to God.** 1 Corinthians 15:1–2

**Sermon:**              *Repent and Be Saved*                      Jonathan Kimball

All authority and power and dominion to the name that is above all names—Jesus Christ our Lord—now and in the age to come. **Amen.**  
Ephesians 1:21

**Affirmation of Faith** *Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26*

**Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ.**

**Dedication of Tithes and Offerings:** (please be seated)

**Offering #710:** *We Lift Our Voices*

**Prayer of Dedication:**

**Great God, to you we give our thanks; your steadfast love endures forever. With gratitude we bring our gifts to you. Bless us and our gifts, that our lives and our resources may be a source of healing and hope, of joy and justice in our world. Amen.**

**Sending Hymn #839:** *Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine* (stand)

**Charge and Benediction:** (remain standing)

May the love of the holy triune God—  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—  
abide with you forever.

**Alleluia!**

1 John 4:13–16

Now go forth in Jesus' name,  
remembering his new commandment  
to love one another, just as he has loved us.

**Amen.**

1 John 3:23

Go in peace. Live in love. **Serve the Lord!**

**Postlude:**

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