



April 19, 2020

Second Sunday of Easter

9:30 a.m.

PRELUDE

Keith Ciccone, Organ

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Michael Frady

CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT *Revive Us Again*

*We praise Thee, O God, for the Son of Thy love,
for Jesus who died and is now gone above.*

*Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen!
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

*We praise Thee, o God for Thy Spirit of Light,
Who has shown us our Savior and scatter our night.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Hallelujah! Amen!
Hallelujah! Thine the glory! Revive us again.*

CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)

Even in the midst of our questions.

We praise the Lord.

Even with fears of what might be,

We will praise God for God's mighty deeds.

We follow Jesus with faith that is growing in spirit.

Praise God with song and dance.

Let us offer worship and praise to the living God,

The Risen Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.

Let everything that breathes praise God!

Praise be to God! Praise God's Holy name!

*HYMN

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

Hymnal, No. 200

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (Unison)

Life-giving, Life-affirming God, we come this morning, remembering the joy of Easter while facing realities of this world. Fill us with the hope of new life that resurrection brings. Help us open our hearts to the never-ending, unconditional love of the Easter season. Be with us now in our time of worship, and remain with us each and every day as we walk our paths of life in faith. Amen.

* Indicates all who are able may stand

***GLORIA PATRI**

*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.*

FIRST READING

Revelation 1: 4-8

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20: 19-29

SERMON

“The Courage to Doubt ”

Rev. Michael Frady

MUSIC RESPONSE

PASTORAL PRAYER

Pastor Suzy Aja Burba

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 for ever. Amen.**

HYMN

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Hymnal, No. 227

INVITATION TO OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures, here, below.
Praise Him, above, ye heav’nly hosts.
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**From our hearts and from our hands, we humbly and gladly present these gifts to you,
O God, that they may be used to serve you and to bless your people, through Jesus
Christ our Savior. Amen**

*HYMN

Alleluia! Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

Hymnal, No. 201

SERENITY PRAYER

~ Reinhold Niebuhr

**God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, courage to change
the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference. Living one day at a time, en-
joying one moment at a time, accepting hardships as the pathway to peace, taking
as Jesus did, this sinful world as it is, not as I would have it, trusting that he will
make all things right if I surrender to his will; that I may be reasonably happy in
this life and supremely happy with him forever in the next. Amen.**

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE





Following worship, please join us for Remote Coffee Hour:

Time: Apr 19, 2020 10:30 AM

<https://zoom.us/j/8549377165?pwd=QmRBUXh5TTdrV0l6VGovNEZWRFcwUT09>

Meeting ID: 854 937 7165 Password: FCC1707

Dial in (no video) +1 929 205 6099 US

Thank you for viewing this Service of Worship from First Congregational Church.

About Today's Service:

- * This worship service was recorded on Saturday, April 18, 2020 at 10:00am.
- * Special thanks to **Glenn Holton** who is responsible for our online worship videos. Glenn is the videographer, director and editor. Keep up the great work, Glenn!
- * Please join us at approximately 10:30 am (following the conclusion of the online worship service) for a **“remote coffee hour” zoom meeting**



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