

Benediction

Pastor Anita Peebles

Postlude

Thine is the Glory arr. Walters

Brass and Organ

Please join in person or Virtual Coffee Hour on Zoom after the service.
This is an informal time to connect with our church family.



Worship Notes: Special thanks to soprano soloist, **Ibidunni Ojikutu**, for her musical offering in today's service, and gratitude to our guest instrumentalists: **Sarah Weinberger, Jared Tanner, André Goodrich, Andrew Angell** and **Nathan Vetter**. Blessings and gratitude to **Margie Paynton**: this is Margie's last Sunday serving as interim organist and we are forever grateful for her passion, talent, and dedicated ministry.

The rose on the altar is in celebration of the birth of **Atlas Teh-Kwang Heizenrader**, born March 30 to **Jennifer Chin** and **Alex Heizenrader**.

Our hearts are saddened today by the passing of our beloved sister and friend, **Sue Tollefson** who passed away on Wednesday, April 13. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Tollefson family.

You're invited to our **Tuesdays Noontime Prayer with Pastor Patricia**
You can join us using this **Zoom link** on your computer or smartphone:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86776242649> - You may also join us by phone by calling this number 1-669-900-9128 Meeting ID: 867 7624 2649

Bible Study in April with Pastor Anita

April 21: Easter accounts in all gospels (Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-18) & **April 28:** John 20:19-31

Noon on Thursdays on Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86761779225>

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NEWS FLASH!!! *Place at the Table Dinners Returns* - On Saturday, **April 30th**, our very popular Place at the Table pot-luck dinners will start up again. **Place at the Table dinners** are potluck meals in homes of various SFBC members and friends. We started this popular activity in September of 2018 and had to stop in March 2020 due to COVID. **Here's how we'll help this happen in the safest way possible.** **Folks wanting to HOST a dinner** in their home will sign up at the **Welcome Table** in Fellowship Hall during Coffee Hour. See the **April Spire** online for additional information.

SAVE THE DATE! SFBC SENIOR RETREAT at the RAINBOW LODGE JULY 13-15, 2022

Romney Lecturer Retreat on Zen & Quaker Meditation Practices **Saturday, April 30, 2022** 9:00am to Noon. **Register** at front_office@seattlefirstbaptist.org or call Judy at 206.325.6051. You can attend this event either **in-person in Fellowship Hall** or online via Zoom.

The Alaska Suite *A benefit concert for Green Buildings Now*
Sunday, May 15, at 3 p.m. at Seattle First Baptist Church. *The Nelda Swiggett Quintet* will perform *The Alaska Suite: a Story of Beauty, Loss and Hope*.

Happy Easter

Easter Sunday



Sunday, April 17, 2022

11:00 a.m.

In the Sanctuary

Please respect those gathering in prayer before worship.

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here.

Masks are encouraged but not required.

Please notice and abide by signage around the church that designates areas where masks are required.

Children are a treasured part of this community! Please find a Worship Adventure Packet or a Busy Box at the tables in the foyers. Children are free to use these resources during the worship service as they sit in the pews or in the Wiggle Room.

For families who prefer to worship together in a more informal setting, the service may be seen and heard in the Wiggle Room (aka Brawley Room) adjacent to the sanctuary. Arts, crafts, books and other materials are also available there to engage younger children.

Please take a moment to turn your cell phone ringer off. Thank you!



Prelude	<i>In the Garden</i> arr. by Joel Raney	Margie Paynton
Prelude	<i>O Sons and Daughters</i> arr. Walters	Brass and Organ
A Musical Call to Worship	<i>My Lord, What a Morning</i> , arr. Burleigh	Ibidunni Ojikutu
Gathering	Pastor Patricia L. Hunter	
*Opening Hymn	<i>Christ the Lord is Risen Today</i> arr. Fetke <i>Choir leads with a short introduction, then all are invited to sing</i> Christ the Lord is ris’n today, Alleluia! Mortal tongues and angels say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing ye heav’ns and earth reply, Alleluia! Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted head, Alleluia! Made like Christ, like Christ we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia! Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia! God has opened paradise, Alleluia!	
Time with Children	Pastor Anita Peebles	
Reflection on Easter Joy	Susan Blythe Goodman and David Delgado	
Invitations to Involvement/Call to Giving/Call to Prayer	Joan Benner	
*Prayer Hymn	<i>I Come to the Garden Alone</i>	#237
Prayer	Pastor Patricia L. Hunter	

*If it is comfortable for you, please stand where indicated.

Anthem	<i>Glory Hallelujah to the Risen Lamb</i> arr. Johnson	Sanctuary Choir Ibidunni Ojikutu, soprano
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Scripture	Matthew 28:1-10 (NRSV)	Paul Roby
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Please read responsively the bolded text.

ONE: After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.

ALL: And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.

ONE: His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.

ALL: For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men.

ONE: But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.

ALL: He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay.

ONE: Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.”

ALL: So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

ONE: Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him.

ALL: Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

Sermon	<i>The Paradoxes of Easter</i>	Pastor Anita Peebles
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*Closing Hymn	<i>That Easter Day with Joy was Bright</i> arr. Hopson
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That Easter day with Joy was bright, the sun shone out with fairer light,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
When to their longing eyes restored, the apostles saw their risen Lord,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

His risen flesh with radiance glowed, his wounded hands and feet he showed,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Those scars their solemn witness gave, that Christ was risen from the grave,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Choir and soloist:
O Jesus, King of gentleness, with constant love our hearts profess,
That we may give you all our days, the tribute of our grateful praise.

All praise to you, O risen Lord, now both by heav’n and earth adored,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
To God, Creator equal praise, to God the Spirit, now we raise,
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!