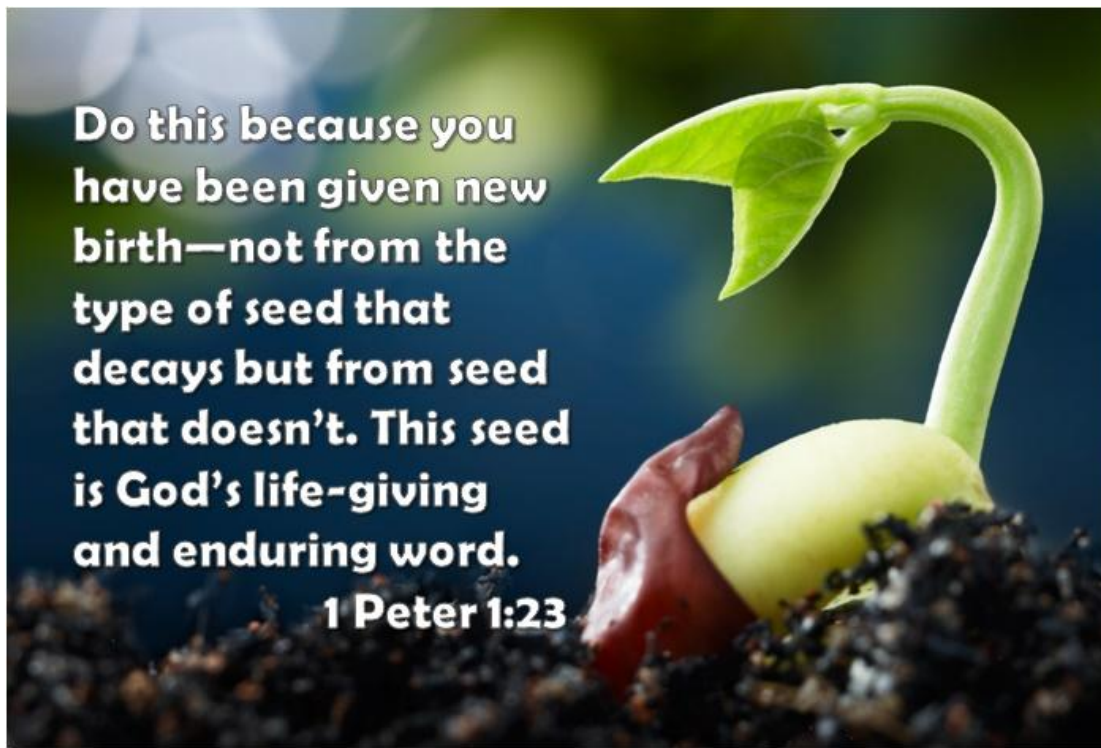


**3rd Sunday of Easter
April 30, 2017
“God’s Enduring Word”**



Delta Presbyterian Church

Strengthening Christ in us

Sharing Christ among us

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Order of Worship
April 30, 2017
3rd Sunday of Easter

Prelude
Tolling of the Bell

Frederick Alhaddad, Pianist

Gathering for Worship

**Singspiration

Art Kelley, Lay Leader

Thy Word

What can I give back to the Lord
for all the good things he has done for me?
¹³ I'll lift up the cup of salvation.
I'll call on the Lord's name. Psalm 116:12-13

Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord

Strengthening Christ in Us

Prayer of Confession

Loving God,

**We confess that too often we do not live
as those who have been set free by Christ.**

**Too often, we get caught up in the ways of the world,
and forget that our lives are in you.**

Forgive us, we pray.

**Give us the faith to claim and live in the liberty
you have given us in Christ.**

(time for silent prayer)

We commit ourselves to

**Strengthening Christ in us,
Sharing Christ among us, and
Showing Christ around us. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, hear and believe the Good News:

In Jesus Christ, we are set free from our sins.

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

**Passing of the Peace

**Response

Glory Be to the Father (Avery & Marsh)

Scripture Lesson

1 Peter 1:17-23 (CEB)

Anthem

My Life, My All

Celebration Choir

Scripture Lesson

Luke 24:13-35(CEB)

Children's Sermon

Response

Because He Lives (refrain)
(Children may go downstairs for Sunday School)

Proclamation of the Word **God's Enduring Word**

Rev. Wendy S. Pratt

Do this because you have been given new birth—not from the type of seed that decays but from seed that doesn't. This seed is God's life-giving and enduring word. 1 Peter 1:23

Hymn of Response **We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

**Sharing Christ Among Us--
Showing Christ Around Us**

Offering

Response **Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

Life in the Community

Prayers for Those Among & Around Us/Lord's Prayer

Closing Hymn **He Lives

**Challenge & Blessing

Closing Response **Christ Arose (refrain)

Postlude

***Please stand if you are able to do so*



Welcome to Delta Presbyterian Church!

We are pleased to have you worshipping with us this morning. We provide this information to help you fully participate in the worship of God. Please take a moment to sign the guest book on the stand in the back of the sanctuary (worship space) to the left of the drinking fountain.

We invite you to stay for our fellowship time following the service. Feel free to help yourself to the coffee and hot water (for tea) that is available in the back of the sanctuary before and after worship.

Everything you need to participate in worship is on the screen. If you are able, you are invited to stand when the congregation stands.

Restrooms are in the back of the sanctuary on the left.

There is information on the activities at Delta on the counter in the Commitment Center. The Commitment Center is on your left as you leave the sanctuary.

We welcome the sound of children in worship. If your young child is distracting to **you**, you are welcome to do any of the following:

- Get up and move to the back. The colorful bags have small items designed to keep children busy. They are welcome to play with them on the floor in front of the Commitment Center, or you may take the bags to your seats.
- There is a nursery available downstairs. Exit the sanctuary via the door on the right and go straight down the stairs. The nursery (101) is at the foot of the steps on the right. Pagers are available to notify you if your child needs you.
- There is a cry room (202) where you can take your child. Instead of going downstairs, go down the hall and the cry room is on the right. You can view the worship service through a window. The cry room is equipped with a changing table.

Preschool through early elementary children are dismissed following the Children's Sermon. They may either return to their seats, or go downstairs to the Nursery (101 infants & toddlers), or Sunday School (Room 107) Older elementary and youth are dismissed during the offering to go down to the gathering room, except when there is a Fellowship Meal following worship. There are clipboards with worksheets for them to fill out and take downstairs with them.

Church Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 9:00am – 3:00pm

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