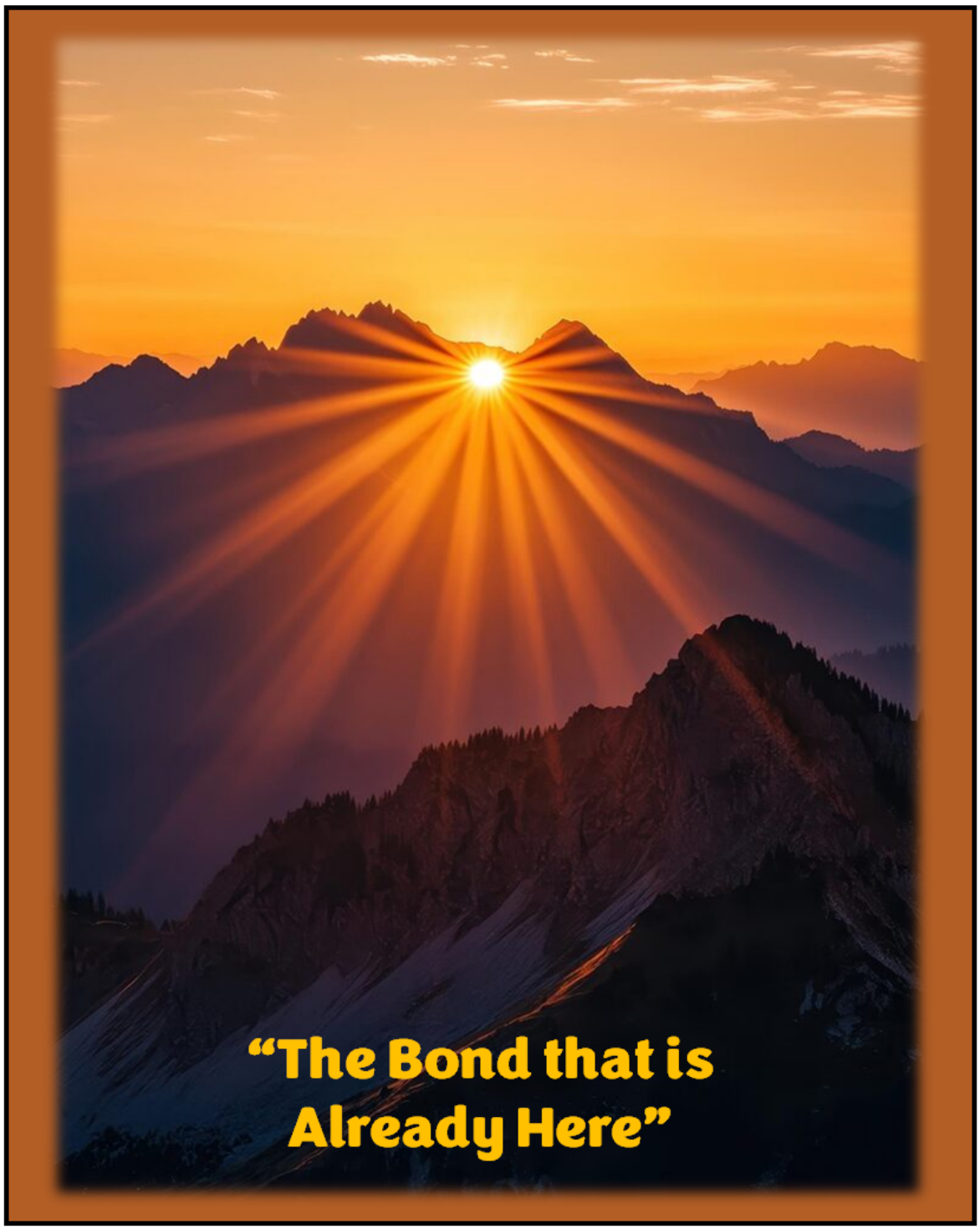

“The Bond that is
Already Here”

April 12, 2026

2nd Sunday of Easter

"We flow into God, and God into us. That's Jesus' vision of no separation between the human and divine."

— Rev. Dr. Cynthia Bourgeault

TIME OF QUIET PREPARATION

WELCOME Liturgist, Patti Dolezal

PRELUDE "At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing" Paul Manz
Organist, Larry Gillum

CHORAL INTROIT

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Come as you are—from places of fear, hope, and longing. Christ stands among us now, offering a peace that the world cannot give.

We come as we are to worship God in grace and glory. Amen

***OPENING HYMN NO. 231** "Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious and abiding God, you come to us in every moment. We confess that we do not always welcome your presence. We close the doors of our hearts, rather than trusting the life you breathe within us. We have turned away from those who suffer, withheld tenderness when it was needed, and chosen distance instead of love. Awaken us to your abiding life within us—that we may receive your peace, and become your peace in a world longing for your presence. Amen

Silent Prayer of Confession

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***RESPONSE:**

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

A READING FROM THE SCRIPTURE *Psalm 16*

CHANCEL CHOIR "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" Dan Forrest
Director, Rich Dixon

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL *John 20:19-31*

MESSAGE "The Bond that is Already Here" The Rev. Dr. Rebecca Chopp

MEDITATION AND *HYMN OF THE DAY NO. 240 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRESENTATION TO CROSSROADS Bob Holcomb

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

OFFERTORY "Welcome, Happy Morning, Heaven is Won Today" Easter Hymntune, *Hermas* arr. L. Gillum

***DOXOLOGY** (Hymnal # 606)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

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.

LIFE OF THE COMMUNITY

(Not merely announcements, but the activities of our life together that reflect our day-to-day responses to God's call for faithfulness and your invitation to join in!)

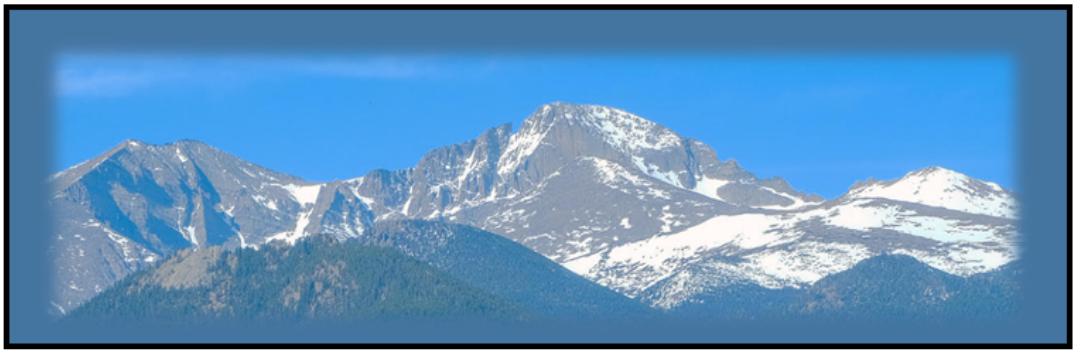
***HYMN OF SENDING NO. 242** "Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded"

***BENEDICTION**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

POSTLUDE "Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle" p. 225
Hymntune, *Fortunatus*

**Please stand if you are able.*



Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School

Jesus Loves Me!

Thursday, July 16 –
Sunday, July 19, 2026
9:00 – 11:30 am

Go Tell It on the Mountain

Open to children entering Kindergarten through 5th grade

Presbyterian Community Church of the Rockies
1700 Brodie Ave. Estes Park, CO 80517
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Announcements

Greeters this morning are Ann, Steve & Cindy Taylor.

Fellowship Time—Join us today for coffee and treats hosted by the Membership Committee.

Wednesday Bible Study with Pastor Christine will be on Wednesday, April 15th at 12:00 noon in the church library. Come join us as we begin a new study series on the book of Exodus. All you need is your bible. See you there!

Adult Study Group with Carol Nussbaumer — Adult Study Group (a.k.a. Not Your Mother's Sunday School) will continue on Friday, April 17th at 10:00am in the church library. All are welcome!

CROSSROADS GROCERY CART will be in the Narthex next Sunday, April 19. Especially needed items are toilet paper, canned chicken, white rice & cereal.

The **Presbyterian Women's Bible study** will meet next Monday, April 20, in the church library to discuss lesson 8, titled "Remembering Jesus' Baptism." Beth Carle will lead us in discussing "what it means to be a child of God, charged to serve faithfully, justly and lovingly." We gather at 11:30 to share in fellowship before our lesson begins at 12 noon. The Bible study books are still available in the church office or at our meeting. We hope you can join us!

Have you wanted to get more involved in the church but don't know where to start? Do you have a talent that you would like to share? Consider these opportunities…

Several of our **committees are looking for new members**. Our committees cover a broad range of areas where your talent would be greatly appreciated. Let Brenda in the church office know if you are interested or would like more information on the types of committees available and she will connect you with the right person to answer your questions.

Spring is the perfect time to **join the church choir**! Along with refreshing or developing your singing skills, the choir is a perfect place to begin new friendships and create lasting memories. You do not need to be an accomplished singer, you just need to enjoy singing. Rich Dixon, our choir director, will take care of the rest. The choir meets on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm in the choir room. If you have any questions, you can speak to Rich or any of the choir members and they will be happy to answer them.

The Week Ahead

Monday, April 13

9:30am Finance Committee
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Tuesday, April 14

10:00am Building & Grounds Committee
12:00pm One Day at a Time AA Group
1:00pm Personnel Committee
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance
3:00pm Worship & Music Committee
4:30pm Deacons
6:30pm Estes Valley Chamber Singers
6:45pm Hispanic Bible Study

Wednesday, April 15

12:00pm Bible Study
1:30pm Nada Quartet
4:00pm Joyful Bells
6:00pm EP Education Foundation
6:30pm Estes Park Chorale

Thursday, April 16

3:00pm Columbarium Committee
4:00pm Chancel Bells
5:00pm EVICS
6:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group
6:30pm Chancel Choir

Friday, April 17

10:00am Adult Study Group
3:00pm Ballet Renaissance

Saturday, April 18

5:30pm One Day at a Time AA Group

Sunday, April 19

CROSSROADS DONATION DAY
8:30am Journeys
10:00am Worship
4:00pm Oratorio Society Rehearsal

See the full church calendar on www.pccrusa.org

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Mimi Hardendorf - Jennifer Workman - Bruce Ellingwood
Fred Thibodeau - Dale Bonza - Diane Palmer - Brian Rood
Mike Warren - Clerk of Session: Barb Cole

Deacons

Mike Dempsey - Brenda Gillum - Jack Holmquist
Joanie Kleckner - Patti Dolezal - John Davis - Larry Pierce
Marilyn Irwin - Beth Carle - Leslie Causer - Ann Taylor

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