



The Order of Worship

April 9, 2023
9:00 and 11:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

The boundless gift of the empty tomb cannot be separated from the words and actions of Jesus. Resurrection, after all, is not some buoyant ideal, unconnected to the real world. It is an invitation to live as Jesus lived, a doorway to a life in which meals are shared with enemies, healing is offered to the hopeless, prophetic challenges are issued to the powerful. Only now it is not Jesus who does these things - it is we ourselves who see at last the subversive power of the resurrection in order to live it now.

Nancy Claire Pittman

PRELUDE Canzona No. 3
 Fantasia

Giovanni Gabrieli
 Richard Dering
 arr. H. Martin Cool III

Brass Choir

INTROIT Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Gelobet sei Gott
 Melchior Vulpius

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing! Now is the triumph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise we in songs of victory that love, that life which cannot die, and sing with hearts uplifted high: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Cyril A. Alington

OPPORTUNITIES AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Do not be afraid,
People: Jesus is the first and the last,
 Leader: and the living one.
People: He was dead, and behold,
 Leader: He is alive for forever and ever.

People: Because he lives, we also will live.

Leader: Jesus Christ is risen.

People: Christ is risen indeed!

TO PRAISE AND CONFESS ...

***HYMN NO. 232** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Jesus Christ Is Risen Today *Easter Hymn*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Holy Lord, God of life, hear our prayer:
 Forgive us when we follow paths that do not lead to life,
 That lead instead to violence, or hate, or fear,
 Paths that lead to dread and death.
 Forgive us when we forget that you offer us life,
 Life that is abundant and eternal,
 Life that began at the creation of all things,
 Life that emerged anew on Easter morning.
 Forgive us, turn us to the right path,
 and let your love and grace flow over us and the world.
 We pray in the name of the risen Christ. Amen.

***KYRIE ELEISON NO. 574** (blue hymnal) arr. David N. Johnson

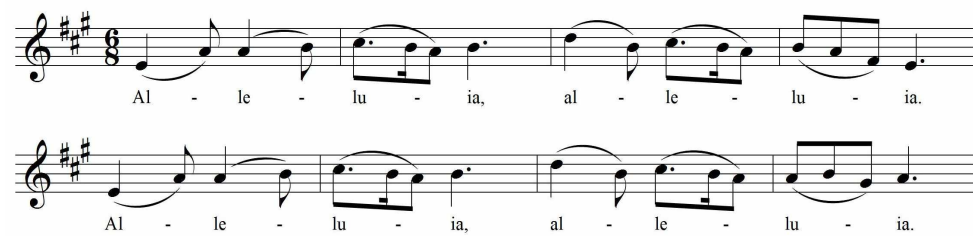
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONSE** Celtic Alleluia (*sing twice*) Fintan O'Carroll



TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD AND RESPOND ...

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10:34-43

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

Allie Brewington

Children age 4 through 4th grade are invited to go downstairs and participate in Children's Sunday School.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 28:1-15

SERMON

"One Step Ahead"

Rev. Dr. Anne McKee

***HYMN NO. 248** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

Hymn to Joy

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)**

Book of Common Worship

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE ... The Lord's Prayer

During the Prayers of the People there will be a time of silence. You are invited to use this time for personal reflection, confession, thanksgiving, and prayer.

THE OFFERING

Please sign and pass the Friendship Register found on the pew nearest the center aisle.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM This Joyful Eastertide

Dutch carol
 arr. Charles Wood

This joyful Eastertide, Away with sin and sorrow! My Love, the Crucified,
 Hath sprung to life this morrow. Had Christ, that once was slain, Ne'er burst
 his three-day prison, Our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.

My flesh in hope shall rest, And for a season slumber: Till trump from east
 to west Shall wake the dead in number. (Refrain)

Death's flood hath lost his chill, Since Jesus cross'd the river: Lover of souls,
 from ill My passing soul deliver. (Refrain)

G. R. Woodward

***AT THE PRESENTATION** Doxology

Old Hundredth

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**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE ...

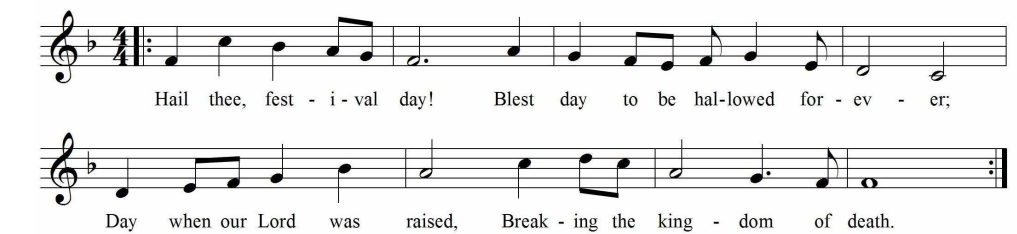
***HYMN NO. 238** (*Glory to God* hymnal) Thine Is the Glory

Judas Maccabeus

***CHARGE AND BEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** Hail Thee, Festival Day!

Salve festa dies



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***POSTLUDE** Toccata (from *Symphony No. 5*)

Charles-Marie Widor

*Indicates standing.

NOW THE SERVICE BEGINS

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR TODAY

PASTORAL CARE ELDERS FOR THE WEEK: Wendy Collins and Bill Wiesehuegel
CARE TEAM COORDINATOR FOR APRIL: Susan McKeehan and Lana Daverman
LARGE PRINT HYMNALS AND HEARING DEVICES are available from ushers.
PLEASE place your bulletin into a blue recycling bin located at the Narthex door if you do not care to take it home.

SERVING TODAY

ACOLYTES: (11:00): Josie Chattin, Katie Manrod

GREETERS (11:00): Ibbie Muntz and Bonny Naugher

SHEPHERD’S TEAM: Peter Tortorelli

MINISTRY OF MUSIC: Brass and Chancel Choirs

SENIOR USHER: Linda Van Beke

USHERS:

(9:00) Daniel Berry, Reed Ellis

(11:00) Charlie Mercer, Alice Mercer, Darlen Milam, David Owens, Shawn

Owens

EASTER FLOWERS: He Is Risen! Hallelujah! Thank you to everyone who made dedications for Easter flowers.

EASTER BREAKFAST will begin at 10:00 AM in the Schilling Gallery. After breakfast fellowship, we will move to the courtyard for our egg hunt. Children up to first grade are invited to participate in our Egg Hunt in the courtyard. There will be a special area for kids 0-2 years old, and kids in second grade and up can help Allie!

RICHARD DERING, an English organist of the early Baroque, studied in Italy and held positions in Belgium before returning to England late in life. This morning’s work for brass exhibits his vast contrapuntal skill, beginning and concluding with dense and lively imitation between voices. He balances this with a warm, gentle, and flowing middle section.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING will be collected during Lent. Through this long standing, ecumenical effort, Presbyterians share God's love through ministries that provide relief to those affected by disasters, food for the hungry and support toward the self-development of poor and oppressed communities.

SUNDAY SCHOOL will resume next Sunday at 10:00 am.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed for Easter Monday. See you Tuesday!

MINISTRY TEAM NIGHT is Tuesday, April 11 beginning at 6:30 pm.

MEN’S BREAKFAST FELLOWSHIP will meet on April 13 at 8:30am.

MEN’S BOOK CLUB will gather Thursday, April 13 at 9:30am. The book selection is *How the South Won the Civil War* by Heather Cox Richardson (non-fiction).

FISH MINISTRY is April 13. Please contact Kathy Huck if you can deliver groceries.

BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS will be available in the Schilling Gallery on Sunday, April 16, after both worship services.

9:00 AM PAVILION WORSHIP returns next Sunday, April 16 for 6 Sundays leading up to our Summer Worship schedule. Summer worship schedule begins May 28 with a single service at 10:00 am in the sanctuary.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING has been called for Sunday, April 23 after the 11:00 a.m. worship service to elect 5 elders (class of 2026), 1 youth elder (class of 2024), and 1 trustee (class of 2026).

YOUTH SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION for pilgrimage to Ghost Ranch in New Mexico. The Schilling Gallery overflows with Westminster talent! Check out the beautiful and inspiring art created by Westminster artists. Silent auction bids are currently being accepted for the displayed works. The culmination of the silent auction will be the "BIG EVENT" at noon on Sunday, April 23rd, when we have our Crock-pot/Dessert cook off and final bidding for the auction. The youth will be offering their gifts and services in a live (and very entertaining) auction. Lawn services, babysitting, Princess Parties, technology lessons, sports lessons and more will be up for bidding. We hope ALL will join in the fun!! Thank you for supporting Westminster's youth!!

CROCK POT AND DESSERT COOK-OFF ON APRIL 23 AT NOON: Sign up to bring a crock pot of chili, soup, or other crock pot creation. Prizes will be awarded for Best of Show (Golden Ladle), Best Chili, Best Soup, Best “Other”, and Best Dessert! It will be a yummy way to help the youth! Look for sign up sheets outside the office and/or bulletin boards.

BIG SCARY QUESTIONS GROUP: On April 18 and 25, the Big, Scary Questions group invites anyone to come hear speakers who will continue helping us think about challenges at the end of life. On Tuesday April 18, we will welcome Attorney Amelia Crotwell from East Tennessee Elder Law firm to discuss various and important end of life preparation documents. On Tuesday April 25, Dr. Malcolm Spica, Ph.D. from the Brain and Spine Institute of the University of Tennessee Medical Center will discuss different types of dementia, including signs and symptoms to look for with each disease process.

LADIES BOOK CLUB will meet at 10:30 am, April 18 in the Library. The book to be reviewed is *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver.

FESTIVAL ON THE LAWN CHURCH-WIDE PICNIC SIGN-UP! Please RSVP in the Schilling Gallery for the Westminster picnic to be held on Sunday, April 30 at noon immediately after worship. We will be honoring our 2023 graduating high school seniors. The cost is \$7 per person or \$25 per family - payable at the picnic.

Easter Flower Dedications

Given by:

In memory/honor of:

Ellen and Ken Anderson In memory of saints gone before us, living resurrected lives with God

Laura Barron In honor of her brother, Dozier Rowe and his loving family

Katherine and Jaelyn Beeler In memory of Brooks Beeler

Carol Beilharz, children and grandchildren In loving memory of Clark Ivan Beltz and Donna Davis In memory of Nancy Beltz, George and Edna Beltz, and Virginia and Bertram Raskin

Jeanie and Jeff Browning In honor of Holly Claire Browning

Sara Cantrell In honor of her four Grandsons; Channing, Nash, Robert and Thomas

Bud and Carolyn Cunningham In memory of their parents

Ann E. Davidson In honor of her grandsons; Walt and Tuck Stevens

Nancy Dean In memory of Scott and Carter, Dean, and Mimi and in love and gratitude of her Westminster family

Jack B. Draper In honor of Shirley Draper

Reed and Lisa Ellis In memory of Ginger and Bill Elting, and Tyke Ellis

James and Melissa Everett In honor of Eli and Cole Everett

Given by:

In memory/honor of:

Maria and David Gall In memory of their dear parents

The Fuller and Gibbons Family In memory of Ernie Fuller

Connie and Donna Graham In memory of their parents:

Josephine and Clifton Ethridge and Joan and James Graham

Suzanne and Ross Graham In honor of their grandson, Thomas G. Daniels

Gordon and Robin Greeson In memory of Robin's mother, Nancy Wellford

Jan Gross In memory of John Gross (husband), Jeffrey Allen Gross (son),

Dwight Allen Newman (brother), Chalmer and Sue Newman (parents),

and Marshall and Lillian Gross

Katherine, CJ, Nathan and Gary Harmon In memory of their parents;

Barbara & John Goan, Lucille & Jim Harmon, Gary's sister; Pam Harmon,

and their son, Benjamin Harmon

Buz and Lucy Johnson In memory of their parents;

Ewing and Bernice Johnson and John and Mary Watson

Nancy Lowe and Harold Jones In loving memory of their mother, Elizabeth Jones

Cile, Ed, Hannah and Eva Mathews; Danielle Mathews Hemsley In memory

of Matt Mathews

Anne and John Langley In honor of their children and grandchildren;

Sarah and Patrick, Mercer and Emily, Bryson, Molly, and Anna

Deborah and Mike McGaugh In memory of Mike's loving grandmother and mother;

Ocella McGaugh and Marty King McGaugh

Anne McKee and Mark Hulsether In memory of Charles Hulsether and Mark McKee

Norman and Linda Judge McRae In honor of Caroline Winson Park McRae

Charlie and Alice Mercer In memory of their parents;

Charlie and Flossie Mercer and George and Elizabeth Atkins

John and Ibbie Muntz In memory of their parents and brothers

Kathryn Schilling Oakes In memory of Barbara Schilling

Marty, Allison, Jackson, and Grace Ann Pryor In memory of Jim Pryor

Rick and Janice Rawe In honor of their granddaughters,

Amy Theiss, Margaret and Samantha Rawe

The Rotella Family In memory of Robert and Mary Helton,

Nancy Eagan, Al and Mary Rotella and Margurite Rotella

Joyce (NaNat) and Tim (PaPaw) Ryan In honor of their grandchildren;

Josie Bice, Chandler, Camryn, and Connor Ryan

Julia Tortorelli In memory of her grandparents;

Alberta and William Bertelsen and Flora and Joseph Tortorelli

Robin Turner In honor of the Yates’ family;

Linda, Jim, Michael, Sarah, Elizabeth and Stephen

The Van Beke Family In memory of Mary Van Beke

Jackie Vanden Dorpel and Alexandra McDonald In memory of Neil Vanden Dorpel

Kay and Richard Ward In memory of Chase, Elizabeth, and Ike Ward

Bill and Renee Wiesehuegel In memory of their mothers;

Shirley Jean Rechenbach and Natalie Wells Smith

Shirley Wittman In memory of John Wittman

Jim and Linda Yates In honor of Max and Ellie Yates, Jonah and Luke Yates,

Owen, Ian, Sarah and Grace Salsbery, and Patrick and Ryan Toomey

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OUR WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 9 - EASTER SUNDAY!

9:00am -Worship

10:00am - Easter Breakfast and Easter Egg Hunt

11:00am - Worship

Monday, April 10

Staff Easter Holiday

Tuesday, April 11

6:00pm - Choristers

5:30pm - Connections Ministry Team

5:30pm - Fellowship Ministry Team

6:30pm - Ministry Team Night

Wednesday, April 12

4:30pm - Companions, Prayer room

4:45pm - Boys and Girls Choirs

7:45pm - Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 13

8:30am - Men's Breakfast Fellowship

9:30am - Men's Book Club - Lisa Kaufman Hall

1:00pm - FISH Ministry deliveries

4:30pm - Brass Choir

8:00pm - Handbell Choir

Sunday, April 16

9:00am -Worship in the Ruthie Carey Pavilion

10:00am - Sunday School Hour

11:00am - Worship in the Sanctuary

4:00pm - Youth Fellowship

5:00pm - *Abbey* deadline

5:30pm - Bluegrass Neighborhood Group Gathering - RCP