

**Easter Sunday**  
**ORDER OF WORSHIP**  
**10:00 a.m.**

Sunday, April 17, 2022

Seasonal Color: White

**WE GATHER IN GOD’S NAME**

9:45 a.m. Pre-Service Music

“The Day of Resurrection” Henry Smart/arr. Lloyd Larson  
“O Love That Will Not Let Me Go” Albert L. Peace/arr. Mark Hayes  
“Alleluia, Christ is Risen!” arr. Douglas Wagner  
(Brass Quartet; Susan Strickland, Piano)

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude: “An Easter Celebration” arr. Joel Raney  
(Brass Quartet; Susan Strickland, Organ)

Choral Introit: “Christ is Risen! Alleluia!” Mark Shepperd  
(Choir and Brass Quartet)

Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!  
Gratefully our hearts adore him, as his light once more appears;  
Bowing down in joy before him, rising up from grief and tears.  
Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!  
Death and hell before him bending, see him rise, the victor now,  
Angels on his steps attending, glory round his wounded brow.  
Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!  
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead! Alleluia!

Call to Worship Luke 24:34  
The Lord is risen! Alleluia!  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

Prayer of Praise and Adoration

**Glory to you, O God: you have won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life. Glory to you, O Christ: for us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life. Glory to you, O Holy Spirit: you lead us into the truth. Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever. Amen.**

Opening Hymn: “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” GTG # 232  
(Brass Quartet and Organ – “Easter Hymn” setting Hal Hopson)

Litany for Easter

This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**  
This is the good news we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**  
That Christ died for our sins, and was buried, and rose again on the third day.  
**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

He appeared to Peter, and to the twelve, and to many faithful witnesses.

**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

At last he came to us, that we might come to believe and proclaim this good news to the world.

**Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!**

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Congregational Response: “Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia” (vs 4) GTG # 251

**“Go spread the news; he’s not in the grave.**

**He has arisen this world to save.**

**Jesus’ redeeming labors are done. Even the battle with sin is won.”**

**Let us sing praise to him with endless joy.**

**Death’s fearful sting he has come to destroy.**

**Our sin forgiving, alleluia! Jesus is living, alleluia!**

Anthem: “Now, O Death, Where Is Thy Sting?”  
Joel Nagy/Russell Nagy (BMI)  
(Choir, Brass Quartet and Piano)

Now, O Death, where is thy sting? Where, O Death, thy victory?

The Son is risen and Death is driven away.

Death is swallowed up today, swallowed up in victory!

This, this is our God. In Him we trusted,

And in love He saved us; give glory to His name.

From this day praise Him forever: Jesus Christ is risen!

Jesus Christ is risen! Jesus Christ is risen today!

Now, O Death, where is thy plague? Your destruction now, O Grave?

For God who ransoms, redeems His captive today.

Every tear He wipes away; all disgrace He takes away, from this day!

This, this is our Lord, God’s faithful witness.

He is firstborn from the dead who rules the kings of earth.

He who loves, He who has freed us;

Jesus Christ is risen! Jesus Christ is risen! Jesus Christ is risen today!

Alleluia! Christ is our victory!

Scripture: John 20:1-18 pg. 114-115

Sermon: "Yes!" David Roquemore

Hymn: “Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” GTG # 248

Affirmation of Faith: 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.**

Congregational Response:  
“Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow” GTG # 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**

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation

Prayer of Thanksgiving...

The Lord be with you! **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts! **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise!**

*(The prayer continues, ending with "...the universal church and the heavenly choir." Congregation joins in singing the Sanctus, GTG # 559)*

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.**

*(The prayer continues until "Great is Thy mystery of Faith." Congregation joins in singing: 'Christ Has Died; Christ Has Risen' GTG # 560)*

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

... and the 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, forever. Amen.**

*(After the Lord's Prayer, congregation join in singing 'Amen' GTG # 561)*

**Amen, Amen, Amen.**

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion: The Song of Simeon Luke 2:29-32  
**Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace, your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Amen.**

Closing Hymn: “Thine is the Glory” GTG # 238  
(Brass Quartet and Organ – “Judas Maccabeus” setting Hal Hopson)

Benediction

Postlude: “The Strife Is O’er, the Battle Won” arr. Daniel Burton  
(Brass Quartet; Susan Strickland, Organ)

Brass Quartet: Sam Choate and Taylor Rhinehart – Trumpets  
Tiffany Holman – French Horn  
Jim Stone – Trombone

We welcome our brass quartet to our service of worship today. Sam Choate and Taylor Rhinehart, trumpeters, are both members here at FPC. Our French Horn player is Tiffany Holman. Tiffany is a third year student at LRU working toward a double major in French Horn Performance and Music Education. Our Trombone player is Jim Stone. Jim is from Granite Falls. He is a member of the Hickory Jazz Orchestra and has been playing trombone since middle school. Jim works at Music and Arts in Hickory as a repairman of brass instruments. We thank all these instrumentalists for sharing their talents with us this morning in our worship service.

**One Great Hour of Sharing Offering**

The Presbyterian Church (USA) collects four Special Offerings throughout the church year which allows the whole Church to join together in response to God’s grace. They represent the largest, collective way Presbyterians come together to work for a better world. The first Special Offering of the year is the One Great Hour of Sharing and will be received today. Donations may also be sent to the church office or made online at the church’s website ([www.fpcnewton.org](http://www.fpcnewton.org)). The “OGHS” enables the church to share God’s love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, provide food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed. The receipts from our congregation will be disbursed to several PC(USA) organizations including Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program and Self Development of People. For more information on this effort please visit [specialofferings.pcusa.org](http://specialofferings.pcusa.org).

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