

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026

A Service of the Word, and Prayer

Welcome

Choral Song of Ascent That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright arr. Hal H. Hopson
Latin hymn, Tr. John Mason Neale

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!

Adoramus te, Christe! (Repeated: We adore you, Christ.)
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.

Congregation joins:

All praise to You, O risen Lord, now both by heav'n and earth adored.
Alleluia, alleluia!

To God the Father equal praise, and God the Spirit, now we raise!
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Call to Worship From 1 Peter 1:3; Martin Wagner, Executive Pastor
Colossians 1:13-14;
and Revelation 5:13

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!

People: According to His great mercy, He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

Leader: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

People: in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!
Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Songs of Praise Christ the Lord Is Risen Today *Trinity Hymnal (TH)* No. 277

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today,” Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav’ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once He died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened paradise, Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll’wing our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise: Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

Crown Him with Many Crowns

TH No. 295

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified;
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! for Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

Call to Confession Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the LORD while He may be found; call upon Him while He is near;
let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the LORD, that He may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon.

Prayer of Confession

Offer of Forgiveness 1 Peter 2:24

Leader: He himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.

All: We receive Your great mercy, O God!

Hymn of Rejoicing Man of Sorrows

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God, by His own betrayed;
The sin of man and wrath of God have been on Jesus laid.
Silent as He stood accused, beaten, mocked, and scorned,
Bowing to the Father's will, He took a crown of thorns.

Refrain: O that rugged cross, my salvation, where Your love poured out over me,
Now my soul cries out hallelujah; praise and honor unto Thee.

Sent of heaven, God's own Son, to purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones who nailed Him to that tree.

Bridge: Now my debt is paid; it is paid in full
By the precious blood that my Jesus spilled.
Now the curse of sin has no hold on me.
Whom the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed.

See the stone is rolled away: behold the empty tomb!
Hallelujah! God be praised! He's risen from the grave!
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Special Music The King of Love My Shepherd Is arr. Mark Hayes
(Words: Henry W. Baker, 1821-1877; music: Irish melody; tune: ST. COLUMBA)

The King of love my Shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill with Thee, dear Lord, beside me;
Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.

And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise. . .within Thy house forever. Amen!

Prayers of the People Alan Carter, Pastor Emeritus

Worship: for hearts that rest in God's steadfast love (Romans 8:38-39)

Community: for our local elected officials to lead with wisdom, justice, and compassion

Mission: for Restoration Academy in Fairfield, Alabama

All Generations: that this new building would be a space where people experience the welcome of Jesus Christ

Reading of the Scripture Romans 6:1-14

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound?

²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? ⁴We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

⁵For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with Him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁷For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁸Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with Him. ⁹We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰For the death He died He died to sin, once for all, but the life He lives He lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

¹²Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions.

¹³Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

Preaching of God's Word Dead and Alive Jason Sterling, Senior Pastor

Closing Hymn Behold

The empty filled, the wounded healed, the broken back together;
The poor are blessed; the weary rest. We will dance forever.

The blinded see; the chained are free; the doubtful, now believer;
The outcast known, the orphan home; You are my Redeemer.

Refrain: Behold, behold, behold what love can do.
Behold, behold, He's making all things new.

The lost return; the voiceless heard, the mourner now rejoicing;
The mountains shake; the world awake, creation all composing.

The sad untrue, the earth renewed; the song has found its singer.
The darkness light, the dead alive; You are my Redeemer.

Bridge: We've been struck down; we're not destroyed.
We've sown in tears; we'll reap in joy.
We've been struck down; we're not destroyed.
We've sown in tears; we'll reap in joy.
Our eyes are open; our eyes are open.

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Doxology

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

Benediction

Sending

Upcoming at Faith

For more information, visit us online at faith-pca.org or on the Faith PCA app.

The church office will be closed Monday, April 6, through Wednesday, April 8.

Kingdom Kids: We are looking for men and women who want to serve as Kingdom Kids teachers for children K4–6th grade. Please contact Steve Hood (shood@faith-pca.org) for more information!

Men's Retreat: Register now for our men's retreat, April 17–19.

Men's Retreat Sign-up

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To All

*who desire to worship and pray;
To all who are seeking and desire to find;
To all who are searching and want to know;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who are wayward and need a Lord;
To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who struggle and desire freedom;
To all who are lonely or strangers and want fellowship;
To all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
And to whosoever will come,
Faith Presbyterian Church offers welcome
In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*