



RESURRECTION SUNDAY
April 20, 2025

*To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m.

Resurrection Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

The Rev. Mark Davis

Prelude

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing” *arr. Dan Marvin*
Brass and Percussion Ensemble • Dr. Nathan Davy, *organ*

*Call to Worship

Minister: Now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits
of them that slept. O death, where is your sting?
O grave, where is your victory?

People: Christ is risen!

Minister: Christ is risen!

**People: (with a great voice) The Lord is risen indeed!
Alleluia! Alleluia! ALLELUIA!**

*Resurrection Hymn

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
Stanzas: 1-2

EASTER HYMN



1. “Christ the Lord is ris’n to - day,” Al - le - lu - ia!
2. Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Al - le - lu - ia!
3. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!



sons of men and an - gels say; Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Al - le - lu - ia!
where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
fol - l’wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - le - lu - ia!



raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - le - lu - ia!
death in vain for - bids Him rise; Al - le - lu - ia!
Once He died, our souls to save; Al - le - lu - ia!
made like Him, like Him we rise; Al - le - lu - ia!



sing ye heav’ns and earth re - ply Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!
where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!
ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

***Prayer of Adoration**
concluding with

Mr. Davis

O GOD OF MY EXODUS,
great was the joy of Israel's sons when Egypt died upon the shore,
far greater the joy when my Redeemer's foe lay crushed in the dust.
Jesus strides forth as the Victor,
Conqueror of death, hell and all opposing might.
You burst the bands of death,
trampled the powers of darkness down and live forever.
You, my gracious Redeemer,
apprehended for payment of my debt,
came forth from the prison house of the grave—
free and triumphant over sin, Satan and death.
In You I died,
in You I rose,
in Your life I live,
in Your victory I triumph,
in Your ascension I shall be glorified for Your Name's sake. Amen!

***Resurrection Hymn** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"
Stanzas: 3-4

EASTER HYMN

Public Confession of Sin

The Rev. Paul Goebel

Lord Jesus Christ,
great was Your goodness in undertaking my redemption,
in consenting to be made sin for me,
in conquering all my foes.
Great was Your love in manifesting Yourself alive,
in showing Your sacred wounds,
that every fear might vanish,
and every doubt be removed.
Great was Your mercy in ascending to heaven,
in being crowned and enthroned there to intercede for me,
there to help me in temptation,
there to open the eternal book,
there to receive me finally to Yourself.
Great was Your wisdom in devising this means of salvation;
bathe my soul in rich consolations of Your resurrection life.
O God, pardon all my sins,
known and unknown,
felt and unfelt,
confessed and not confessed,
remembered or forgotten.
Grant me more and more of the resurrection life:
may it rule me, may I walk in its power,
and be strengthened through its influence.

Private Confession

Words of Assurance and Pardon of the Gospel

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in Him. Colossians 2.13-15

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Hymn

“Christ Has Arisen” *Kyamanywa/Trad. Tanzanian*
Stanza 1: Choir; Stanzas 2-5: All



1. Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and praise Him,
2. For three long days the grave did its worst un - til its strength by
• 3. The an - gel said to them, “Do not fear! You look for Je - sus
4. “Go spread the news: He’s not in the grave; He has a - ris - en
5. Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free; al - le - lu - ia, to



- al - le - lu - ia. For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
God was dis - persed. He who gives life did death un - der - go;
• who is not here. See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
this world to save. Je - sus’ re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
Him prais - es be. Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



- e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
and in its con - quest His might did show.
• on - ly the grave - clothes are ly - ing there.” Let us sing praise to Him
e - ven the bat - tle with sin is won.”
He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.



with end - less joy. Death’s fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy!



our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

Prayer of Intercession/Offertory Prayer

Mr. Goebel

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to give online at pcpc.org/give or text “give” to 214-833-7724.*

Musical Offering

“Trinity Te Deum”

Ēriks Ešenvalds

Chancel Choir • Brass, Harp, and Percussion Ensemble

Nathan Davy, organ • J. Marty Cope, conducting

*We praise Thee, O God:
we acknowledge Thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship, worship Thee,
the Father everlasting.
To Thee all Angels cry aloud:
the Heav'ns, and all the Powers therein.
To the Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry,
holy, holy, holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of Thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles praise Thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise Thee.
The noble army of the Martyrs praise Thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge Thee.
The Father of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true and only Son;
also the Holy Ghost, the Comforter.
Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou took'st upon Thee to deliver man,
Thou didst not abhor the virgin's womb.
When Thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
Thou didst open the Kingdom of Heav'n to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God
in the glory of the Father.
We believe that Thou shalt come to be our Judge.
We therefore pray Thee,
help Thy servants,
whom Thou hast redeemed with Thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting.*

—Te Deum laudamus, ca. 4th century

*The Scripture Reading: Matthew 28

Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb.

² *And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it.*

³ *His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow.*

⁴ *And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men.*

⁵ *But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified.*

⁶ *He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where He lay.*

⁷ *Then go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead, and behold, He is going before you to Galilee; there you will see Him. See, I have told you.”*

⁸ *So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell His disciples.*

- ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him.
- ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell My brothers to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."
- ¹¹ While they were going, behold, some of the guard went into the city and told the chief priests all that had taken place.
- ¹² And when they had assembled with the elders and taken counsel, they gave a sufficient sum of money to the soldiers
- ¹³ and said, "Tell people, 'His disciples came by night and stole Him away while we were asleep.'"
- ¹⁴ And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble."
- ¹⁵ So they took the money and did as they were directed. And this story has been spread among the Jews to this day.
- ¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them.
- ¹⁷ And when they saw Him they worshiped Him, but some doubted.
- ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me.
- ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
- ²⁰ teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

The Sermon

"Just As He Said"

Mr. Davis

***Choral Acclamation** "Hallelujah Chorus" from Messiah
Chancel Choir

G. F. Handel

*Hallelujah! for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah!
The kingdom of this world is become the Kingdom of our Lord
and of His Christ; and He shall reign forever and ever!
King of kings, and Lord of lords, forever and ever. Hallelujah!*

***Hymn of Exaltation**

“Thine Be the Glory”

JUDAS MACCABEUS

1. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2. Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly He
3. No more we doubt Thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-
vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won; an - gels in bright rai - ment
greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom; let the church with glad - ness,
out Thee: aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,
rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes, where Thy bo - dy
hymns of tri-umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth, death hath lost its
through Thy death- less love: bring us safe thro' Jor - dan to Thy home a -
lay. Thine be the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son;
sting.
bove.
end - less is the vic - t'ry Thou o'er death hast won.

***An Easter Blessing**

Minister: Grace and peace to you from Him who is, and who was, and who is to come, from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful Witness, the Firstborn from the dead and the Ruler of the kings of the earth.

People: **To Him who loves us, and has freed us from our sins by His blood, and has made us to serve His God the Father—to Him be glory and power forever and ever.**

Choir: He is the First and the Last. He is the Living One. He was dead, but behold, He is alive forever and ever!

Minister: Alleluia!

All: **Thanks be to God! Alleluia!**

Postlude

**“Toccata” from *Symphony No. 5*
Dr. Davy, organ**

Charles-Marie Widor

**Please stand if you are able.*

The flowers in our worship service this morning are given to the glory of God.

He is not here, for He has risen, as He said.

Matthew 28.6a



Park Cities Presbyterian Church exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world.

We thank the following musicians for their leadership in worship this morning:

Kyle Sherman, *trumpet*
Cody McClarty, *trumpet*
Andrew House, *trumpet*
Nancy Piper, *French horn*
Christian Paarup, *trombone*
Jared Dickerson, *trombone*
Jarrod Robertson, *tuba*
Barbara Biggers, *harp*
Mike McNicholas, *percussion*
Kyle Maxwell-Doherty, *percussion*

SERMON NOTES

Matthew 28
“Just As He Said”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

The following questions help us dialog with the sermon, music, and liturgy in this morning's worship service. Together, these elements provide space for reflection and prayer during personal devotions, group studies, and family worship.

1. How might you summarize the various responses in Matthew 28 to the news of Jesus' resurrection? Pastor Davis used three words: D_____, D_____, and D_____.
2. What is significant about the angel's message when he says, "As He said," in verse 28.6? What comfort and encouragement does this bring us regarding the Word of God?
3. How did both Marys respond when they saw the risen Lord Jesus? What is revealing about them grabbing His feet?
4. Describe the guards and their response to the resurrection.
5. Detail the evil that is present in the message the chief priests and elders direct the guards to say. How are people being deceived today?
6. When the disciples finally see Jesus we are told, "And when they saw Him they worshiped Him, but some doubted." Why do you think they doubted? Do you have doubts? What do you do with your doubts?
7. What is the message Jesus leaves with His disciples? What does it mean to "make disciples"? Why is this significant for us?

Highlights

APRIL 20, 2025

What's Next?

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Connect to Christ & One Another

In addition to Sunday worship, we would love to help you find your place in a Sunday Morning Community. These communities cultivate a space to connect more deeply to Christ through the teaching of God's Word in fellowship with one another. We have groups for all ages.

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Abide in Christ

We want to help you abide in Christ through Bible study and prayer. Our 4-week women's classes on anxiety start Wednesday, May 7, and our men's 6-week summer study on doing good work for God's glory will begin Tuesday, June 10. For our 60+ Community, we will have a July Bible conference on the book of Ruth.

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Extend Christ

PCPC exists to extend the transforming presence of the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ in Dallas and to the world. We invite you to our Faith & Work 101 course beginning May 7 at 6:30 p.m. examining how the workplace may be the primary place God has sent you to extend His Kingdom. Save the date for "Glory & Goodness," PCPC's Global Missions Conference on November 1-2.

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June 3-6

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Special Events

Young Adult Pickleball

THURSDAY, APRIL 24 | 7:00 P.M. | SANDY PICKLE

High School Gathering

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30 | 7:15 P.M.

60+ Community Variety Show

FRIDAY, MAY 2 | 11:30 A.M.

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2023/2024 Operating Budget \$15,925,000

Jul 1, 2024–Apr 13, 2025 Budget \$14,184,516

Jul 1, 2024–Apr 13, 2025 Giving \$14,098,714

Budget Variance (\$85,802)

Come to the Feast

*If any person is devout and loves God, let him come to this
radiant triumphant feast.*

*If any person is a wise follower, let him enter into the
joy of his Lord, rejoicing.*

If any have fasted long, let him now receive refreshment.

*If any have labored from the first hour, let him today
receive his just reward.*

*If any came at the third hour, let him keep the feast
with thankfulness.*

*If any arrived at the sixth hour, let him have no misgivings for
he shall not be deprived.*

*If any delayed to the ninth hour, let him draw near,
fearing nothing.*

*If any have waited even until the eleventh hour, let him not be
alarmed at this tardiness.*

For the Lord will accept the last even as the first.

Therefore, all of you, enter into the joy of your Lord.

Rich and poor together, hold high festival.

Diligent and heedless, honor this day.

*Both you who have fasted, and you who did not fast, rejoice
together today.*

The table is full; all of you, feast sumptuously.

The calf is fatted; let no one go away hungry.

Enjoy the feast of faith; receive the riches of God's mercy.

*Let no one bewail his poverty, for the fullness of the kingdom
is revealed.*

*Let no one weep for his iniquities, for the forgiveness shines forth
from the grave.*

Let no one fear death, for the Savior's death has set us free.

He who was held prisoner by death has annihilated it.

By descending into death, He made death captive.

He angered it when it tasted of His flesh.

Isaiah saw this, and he cried:

*Death was angered when it encountered You
in the lower regions.*

It was angered, for it was defeated.

It was angered, for it was mocked.

It was angered, for it was abolished.

It was angered, for it was overthrown.

It was angered, for it was bound in chains.

It received a body and it met God face to face.

It took earth and encountered heaven.

It took that which is seen and fell upon the unseen.

O Death, where is your sting?

O Grave, where is your victory?

Christ is risen and you are overthrown.

Christ is risen and the devils have fallen.

Christ is risen and the angels rejoice.

Christ is risen and life reigns.

Christ is risen and not one dead remains in the grave.

*For Christ, being risen from the dead, is become the first fruits of those
who have fallen asleep, and to Him be glory and honor, even to eternity.
Amen.*