



April 20, 2025
Resurrection of the Lord/Easter
10:00 a.m.

Gathering those who fear they are not enough,
so we may experience grace, wholeness, and renewal as God's beloved.



We Gather to Praise God

PRELUDE

Selections from *Water Music Suites*
Overture, Air, & Minuet

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)
arr. Michel Rondeau

Brass Quartet

RINGING OF THE BELL

INTROIT

Christ the Lord is Risen Again!

Anthony Foster (1926-2012)

*Christ the Lord is risen again; Christ hath broken every chain;
Hark! Angelic voices cry, Singing evermore on high, Alleluia!*

WELCOME

Megan Klose

ONE: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen indeed!

ONE: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen indeed!

ONE: Christ is risen!

ALL: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen!

* CALL TO WORSHIP

ONE: We have known loss and grief.

ALL: We have known the long road, tired and winding.

ONE: We have shouted into the bleakness of the dark sky.

ALL: We have whispered prayers on bended knees.

ONE: We have asked why? And how long, Lord? But today—

ALL: today we know hope.

ONE: Today we know life.

ALL: Today we know the sound of Alleluias.

ONE: Today we know that death does not have the last word.

ALL: Today we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God.

ONE: May the Easter hope find you.

ALL: And may we know, deep in our bones, that today is a new day.

Alleluia! Christ is risen today!

ONE: Alleluia! Let us worship the risen Christ!

* HYMN 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Suzanne Martin

ONE: Friends, the prayer of confession invites us to begin anew, drawing closer to God and receiving grace, mercy, and abundant love. Join me in this prayer, so we may fully embrace the joy of this amazing day when Christ's resurrection triumphed over death.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Forgive us, God, when good news lands in our lap and we refuse to believe it. Forgive us, God, when grief and fear crowd out any room in our hearts for hope. Forgive us, God, when we dismiss the stories of others and minimize the voices of our neighbors. In a world that teeters between grief and hope, show us how to be like Peter. Show us how to hold onto hope. Show us how to run toward you. Amen.

Personal prayer in silence

** Please stand in body or spirit*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Yena Hwang

ONE: This baptismal font reminds us that God's love washes away all our sins. God's grace exists for us when we are hopeful and when we are grieving, when we are shouting and when we are silent, when we are full of faith and when we are full of fear. God's grace exists for us on the best days, the worst days, and every day in between. Believe the good news and be at peace.

ALL: Thanks be to God for this good news! Alleluia! Amen.

*** GLORY TO GOD 583**

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text

MUSIC: Jacques Berthier, 1979

Music © 1979, 1981 Les Presses de Taizé (admin. GIA Publications, Inc.)

GLORIA (Taizé)

* PASSING THE PEACE

ONE: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

ALL: And also with you.

We Listen for God's Word

SUNG PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION 453

God has spo - ken to the peo - ple, hal - le - lu - jah!

God has spo - ken words of wis - dom, hal - le - lu - jah!

TEXT: Willard F. Jabusch, 1966; rev. 1982

MUSIC: Hasidic melody; arr. *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, 2006

Text © 1966, 1982 Willard F. Jabusch (Published by OCP)

Music Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress

YISRAEL V'ORAITA

9.8.9.5 with refrain

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

Suzanne Martin

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

*Children ages 4 and up are invited to continue their worship at Godly Play in Room 204.***WORD IN MUSIC***This Joyful Eastertide*

Dutch carol

arr. Charles Wood (1866-1926)

*This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow!
My Love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow:**Refrain: Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst His three-day prison,
our faith had been in vain; but now has Christ arisen.**Death's flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river;
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver: [Refrain]**My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber
till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number: [Refrain]***SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Luke 24:1-12

Yena Hwang

ONE: The Word of the Lord.

ALL: Thanks be to God.

SERMON*Remember*

Yena Hwang

We Respond to God's Word*** HYMN 238***Thine is the Glory**** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Megan Klose

In the dark before dawn, we believe that God is alive.**In the midst of our grief, we believe the Spirit is at work.****In the chaos of our broken world, we believe that love is on the loose.****For no stone could keep God at bay, and no violence could keep God's love from us. So today we sing, Alleluia! For somewhere in between our belief and doubt, hope lives. Christ has died, and Christ has also risen. This we believe! Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Suzanne Martin

ONE: Lord in your mercy,

ALL: Hear our prayer.

The Prayers of the People are offered on behalf of and with the congregation, usually by an elder who is currently serving or has previously served on Session. Prayer requests can be sent to Pastors Yena and Megan at prayers@fallschurchpresby.org.

Please keep in your prayers:

Pastor Yena's family as they travel to South Korea

The family of Sandy Holdam, cousin of Gordon Storr, who died April 15

Bill Armstrong, Carolyn Armstrong, Margaret Beatty, Cam Brown, Avery Burns, Jay Campbell, Winnie Harris-Zoellner, Ruth Mileham, Phillip Patten, Ken Waugh, with ongoing health concerns

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.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER AS THE BODY OF CHRIST

Megan Klose

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Please support the mission and ministry of the church with your financial contributions.

Offerings can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, given online through our secure giving portal (fcpc.breezechms.com/give/online), texted to give at 7037751355, or scanned using the QR code.



OFFERTORY

To the Lamb on the Throne

Dan Forrest (b. 1978)

Worthy the Lamb. Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim,

And publish abroad His wonderful name; the name all victorious of Jesus extol;

His Kingdom is glorious and rules overall. Worthy the Lamb, "Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!" Let all cry aloud, and honor the Son; the praises of Jesus the angels proclaim, Fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb. Worthy the Lamb, worthy the Lamb, the Lamb. God rules in the height, almighty to save: Though hid from our sight, His presence we have. The great congregation His triumph shall sing, Ascribing salvation to Jesus our King. "Worthy, worthy the Lamb." Then let us adore and give Him His right, All glory and power, all wisdom and might; All honor and blessing with angels above, And thanks never ceasing and infinite.

*** DOXOLOGY 609**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow. Praise God, all crea-tures
high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise
God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it
one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Brian Wren, 1989
MUSIC: *Geistliche Kirchengesäng*, 1623; harm. Hal H. Hopson, 1998
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Music Harm. © 1998 Hope Publishing Company

LASST UNS ERFREUEN
LM with alleluias
(alternate harmonization, 10)

*** PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Megan Klose

*** HYMN 268** (v. 3 choir only)

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*** CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Yena Hwang

*** CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Christ the Lord is Risen Again!

Anthony Foster (1926-2012)

Amen! Christ the Lord is risen again!

POSTLUDE

“Hallelujah” from *The Messiah*

G.F. Handel (1685-1759)

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Liturgy adapted from Sanctified Art “everything [in] between.”

Supporting Us in Worship

Worship Leader	Suzanne Martin
Music	Chancel Choir Kevin Calavan, John Ehlers, trumpets Matthew White, Steven Shin, trombones
Ushers	Drew Luten, Chase Moore, Shelly Skomra, Clay Warner, Gail Warner
Audio/Video	Alexi Hawkins
Sexton	Anne Kusterbeck

Today's special music is sponsored by the Heiden Endowment Fund. Jon Heiden was FCPC's Director of Music from 1967 to 1997. Please consider donating to the Heiden Endowment Fund to support special music in worship.

A Warm Welcome

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning. Please sign the red welcome pad which can be found at the end of the pew, then pass the pad along to your neighbor. There are nametag boards outside of the sanctuary side entrance. Please make a nametag and wear it as a sign of hospitality. Large-print bulletins are available at the sanctuary entrances. Portable electronic assistive listening devices are available in the narthex. A recording of today's service can be found at www.fallschurchpresby.org/sermon. If you would like to learn more about our family of faith, please talk to one of the pastors as you exit the sanctuary. More information can be found on our website.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in our services. **The Kids' Corner** at the front right side of the Sanctuary is where children and their grownups can play, read, or color while in worship. **Children up to age 4:** Child care is offered in Room 201. Paid nursery workers tend to our youngest disciples. **Children ages 4 and up:** Godly Play is offered in Room 204 following the first scripture reading.

Fellowship Hour

Please join us in Fellowship Hall following worship to greet your neighbors and enjoy some light refreshments.

Easter Lilies Given to the Glory of God

In celebration of:

Family, from Sue Armstrong
Our children and grandchildren, from Fran and Bill Darrow
The FCPC congregation and community, from Bill and Linda Garvelink
Lukas Packard Kohlmayer, from Will Packard and Nancy Butt Packard
Elena's upcoming graduation, from Gwenda Wilson
Mary Ellen Replogle, mother of Anne Mugler, on her 100th birthday
Life and all its beauty, from Elizabeth Shipley-Moses

In honor of:

My family, from Avery Burns
Teachers and all they do, from Stacey and Tyler Cruse
The power of hope, from Eve Elgin
Callie, Jason, and Fletcher Hobbie, from Chuck Hobbie
Elizabeth G. Vafides, from Irv Morgan

In loving memory of:

Marie Stevens, from Sue Armstrong
Margaret and Sam Gilmore, parents of Ellen Gilmore, and Hayden Beatty, father of Sam Beatty
Tom and Margaret Brock, and Dean and Juanita Wallace, parents of Rob and Tobi Brock
Russ Burns, from Avery Burns
Charles Campbell, from Jay Campbell
Basil and Florence Cole, and Wally and Edie Schoenbeck, parents of Bill and Carol Cole
Steve Graff, from Janet Graff
Bill and Roberta Graff, and Art and Ann Hall, parents of Steve and Janet Graff
Ann and Joe Jones, and Ruth and Gil Rowberg, parents of Nancy Jones and Dick Rowberg
Bill Kercheval, from his family, and for his service to the PC(USA) and FCPC's Welcome Table program
Mary and Bill McPherson, parents of Charlotte McPherson
Young Ei Hobbie and Coley James Hobbie, from Chuck Hobbie
Charlotte and Page Burdette, parents of Frank Burdette
Gilbert and Nancy Klose, parents of Megan Klose

June and Ernie Pataky, parents of Susan Pataky Loyd
Charlie and Millie Butt, parents of Nancy Butt Packard
Minney Robb, from Will Packard
Harriet and Willard Sarver, and Marian and William Kennard, parents of Marnie
and Jack Sarver
Joan Sclafani, from Peggy Podolak
The McDowell family, from Shelly Skomra
Loved ones, from Mike and Margaret Volpe
John Wilson Roberts III and Michael J. Schlitt Jr., from Paige Whitlock

Church Calendar

Sunday, April 20 – Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Sunday

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Received
Easter Sunday Worship Service with Communion, 7:30 a.m., Frady Park
Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 9:00 a.m., Sanctuary
Serendipity Class, 9:00 a.m., Conference Room
Easter Sunday Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary, in person and online

Monday, April 21 – *Church office closed*

Quiet Day, 10:00 a.m., Third Floor

Tuesday, April 22

Tuesday Morning Prayer Group, 8:45 a.m., Zoom. Contact Pastor Megan.

Wednesday, April 23

Wednesday Evening Project 66/52 Group, 7:00 p.m., Zoom. Contact Pastor Megan

Thursday, April 24

Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 7:30 p.m., Choir Room

Friday, April 25 – *No scheduled events*

Saturday, April 26

Bible Study & Fellowship Group, 8:00 a.m., Parlor
Crooked Steeple Literary Festival, 2:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Sunday, April 27 – 2nd Sunday of Easter

Drop & Dash Food & Toiletries Donations
Matthew 25 Group, 9:00 a.m., Room 303
Worship Service, 10:00 a.m., Sanctuary, in person and online
Youth Group, 6:00 p.m., Mini Golf, Upton Hill Regional Park, Arlington

Announcements

The PC(USA) One Great Hour of Sharing Special Offering will be received today. Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the globe by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. Special offering envelopes are in the pews.

Crooked Steeple Literary Festival, April 26, 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. CSLF is proud to bring best-selling author Katherine Reay to FCPC to talk about her book, *The Berlin Letters*. It is an unforgettable tale of the Cold War and a CIA codebreaker who risks everything to free her father from an East German prison. *The Berlin Letters* is described as "deeply moving and edge-of-your-seat suspenseful." Register through the link in the Friday egram or church website.

Project 66/52. The congregation is reading the entire Bible in 2025. More info is in the Friday egram and at fallschurchpresby.org/6652. This week's reading plan:

Sun. 4/20	2 Samuel <u>16, 17, 18</u>	Thu. 4/24	Apr 24: 1 Kings <u>4, 5, 6</u>
Mon. 4/21	2 Samuel <u>19, 20, 21</u>	Fri. 4/25	1 Kings <u>7, 8, 9</u> ; Psalm <u>65</u>
Tue. 4/22	2 Samuel <u>22, 23, 24</u> ; Psalm <u>64</u>	Sat. 4/26	1 Kings <u>10, 11</u> ; Psalm <u>66</u>
Wed. 4/23	1 Kings <u>1, 2, 3</u>		

Quiet Day: A Space for Renewal, April 21, Third Floor. A quiet day begins with a brief opening at 10:00 a.m. and ends with a closing circle at 2:00 p.m. Come as you are to read, write, reflect, and pray. Bring a bag lunch; tea and water will be provided.

Drop & Dash Sunday, April 27. Share the joy of Easter! Bring your donations of food and/or full-size toiletries to the cabinet in the main hallway. You can find the most urgent needs for the Knox Food Pantry using the link in the Friday egram.

Welcome Table in April. Thanks to our many volunteers who cooked, served and cleaned up after our two dinners for our neighbors in need. We served hot meals to 157 guests on the 1st Wednesday and to 361 guests on the 2nd Wednesday. New and returning volunteers are always appreciated!

Director of Children & Youth Ministry. The position description for the Director of Children & Youth Ministry has been approved by Session. Many thanks to those serving on the DCYM Search Team: Gail Ammons, Chuck Anderson, Katie Hodgson, Carly Kelly, Anne Mugler, Alan Shankle, and youth advisors Talia Forster and Izzy Martin. Please help spread the word that FCPC is hiring!

*Falls Church Presbyterian belongs to the Covenant Network of Presbyterians,
“working for the unity of the church, furthering the inclusion of LGBTQ persons,
seeking understanding and reconciliation, and joining with others
seeking a still more just and inclusive church.”*

*Falls Church Presbyterian is also a Matthew 25 church seeking to build congregational vitality,
dismantle structural racism, and eradicate systemic poverty.*

The Rev. Yena Hwang, Pastor
The Rev. Megan Klose, Associate Pastor
Dr. Don Armstrong, Director of Music
Dr. Lisa Bloy, Organist

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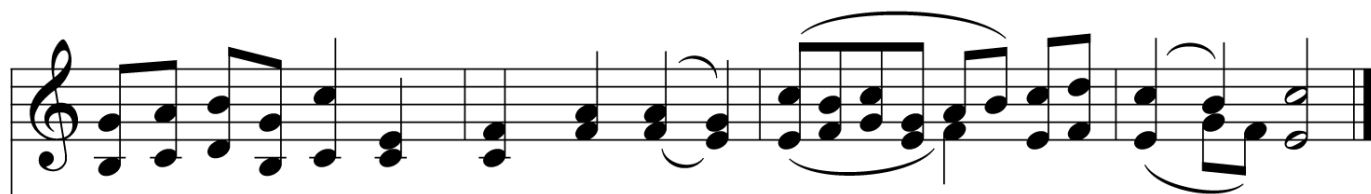
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 un - to Christ, our heav - en - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.



who did once up - on the cross,
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise our God, ye heav - en - ly host,



suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing.
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

It seems likely that this beloved Easter text began in Latin and moved through German before reaching English, where it combined with the present tune in the emerging English evangelical style, a reaction to the restrained one-note-per-syllable psalmody that preceded it.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1740

Spanish trans. Juan Bautista Cabrera, alt.; Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea

MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. from *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749

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EASTER HYMN

7.7.7.7 with alleluias

Thine Is the Glory



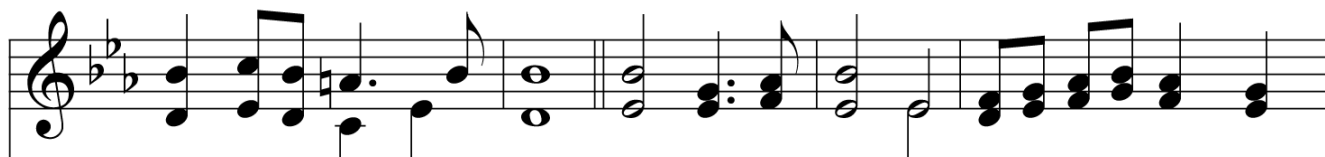
1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-que-ri-son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught



the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai-ment
 he greets us, scat-ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad-ness
 with-out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death-less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-que-ri-son;
 to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Joshua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

Crown Him with Many Crowns 268



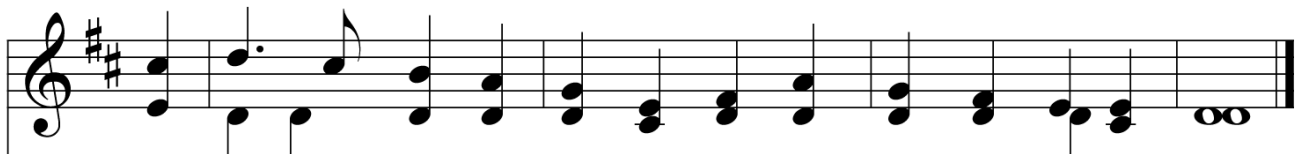
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways
4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;



hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
but down-ward bends his burn-ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra-grance ev - er sweet.
thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.