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**THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
*Easter Sunday*

**April 4, 2021**

**9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.**

*The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.*

*“Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”*  
Philippians 2:9-11

*“If Christ has not been raised from the dead, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied.”*  
1 Corinthians 15:17, 19

**GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude

*arranged by Linda McKechnie*

**“Fanfare on Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”**

Welcome and Announcements

Opening Sentences

*9:00 a.m. Elder Greg Maready  
11:00 a.m. Elder Linda Burroughs*

*Leader: The tomb is dark, but empty;*

**All: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.**

*Leader: The stone has been rolled away;*

**All: The one you are looking for has overcome death.**

*Leader: The burial clothes are put aside;*

**All: The one you are looking for is alive!**

*Leader: Rejoice! There is great news! Christ is risen!*

**All: Christ is risen, indeed!**

*Leader: Let all the earth proclaim the joy!*

**All: Let all heaven show forth in praise. Alleluia! Let us worship our Risen Savior!**

\*Hymn #826

**“Lift High the Cross”**

CRUCIFER

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Risen Lord, we have seen the empty tomb, and yet we sometimes act as if we have seen nothing. Why must we continue in fear? Why must we be afraid of death even after its defeat? Yes, this is a glorious day of celebration and song, but forgive us when we are quick to forget its Good News. Help us be a people of resurrection not just on this day but all days. Fill our hearts with your resurrection promise of life that we might turn from sin and be renewed. Eliminate from us the fear of sin that we might tell this glad story that Christ is risen, he is risen, indeed! This we pray in your holy name. Amen.**

**(A time for silent prayers of confession . . .)**

*“But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.*

*The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

*1 Corinthians 15:20, 56*

*Jesus said to Martha, “I am the resurrection and the life.*

*Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?”*

*John 11:25-26*

*“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”*

*1 Peter 1:3*

Responsive Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: Sisters and Brothers in Christ, hear and believe these words of the Gospel: the tomb is empty! Our Lord and Savior has risen from the grave!*

**All: That which has been dead is alive! No barrier, none whatsoever, can keep us from the love of God!**

*Leader: Believe these words of Easter: In Jesus Christ, our sins are forgiven!*

**All: Alleluia! Amen!**

Gloria Patri

**Glory Be to the Father**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

### PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Children’s Sermon

Prayer for Illumination

**Living God, with joy we celebrate the presence of your risen Word. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord. Amen.**

Epistle Lesson      *1 Corinthians 15:1-11*      9:00 a.m. Elder Greg Maready  
11:00 a.m. Elder Linda Burroughs

Gospel Lesson      *Luke 24:1-12*

Sermon      **“Remembering the Future Today”** Dr. Philip K. Gladden

A Time for Silent Reflection

### GIVING THANKS TO GOD

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*One Great Hour of Sharing Offering*

Offertory

**“Risen Indeed!”**

Allen Pote, 2020

*Christ is risen, Christ is risen. Alleluia!*

*Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, he is risen.*

*Lift up your voices sing alleluia!*

*Christ is risen indeed, he is risen from the dead. He is alive, alleluia! He died for us, our sinful souls to save. Now he is risen from the grave.*

*The tomb stands empty, the stone was rolled away.*

*Darkness has vanished, the night has turned to day.*

*Jesus will meet us when our death is near.*

*He gives us hope eternal. We need not fear!*

*Christ is risen. Alleluia!*

\*Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

*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.*



The Affirmation of Faith: *From "A Brief Statement of Faith: of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)"*

In life and in death we belong to God.  
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
whom alone we worship and serve.  
We trust in Jesus Christ,  
fully human, fully God.  
Jesus was crucified,  
suffering the depths of human pain  
and giving his life for the sins of the world.  
God raised this Jesus from the dead,  
vindicating his sinless life,  
breaking the power of sin and evil,  
delivering us from death to life eternal.  
We trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
everywhere the giver and renewer of life.  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death  
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.



**The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

*The Invitation to the Table*

*The Words of Institution*

*The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving with 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.*

*The Eating of the Bread and the Drinking of the Cup*

*The Prayer after Communion*

Music for Communion

*setting by Joel Raney*

**"Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

\*Hymn #232

**"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**

EASTER HYMN

Benediction

Postlude

*\*All who are able may stand.*

*"The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."*

*Romans 6:11*



## WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, April 4

EASTER SUNDAY

7:00 am Early Easter Service, Wallace First Baptist Church

9:00 am In Person Worship with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper & One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

11:00 am In Person and Live Stream Worship with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper & One Great Hour of Sharing Offering — Nursery provided for 2 years and younger

Monday, April 5

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

10:30 am Circle#1: Room 304  
No Monday Night Zoom Bible Study

Tuesday, April 6

10:30 am Circle#3: Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm Circle#4: Via Zoom

Wednesday, April 7

No Wednesday Morning Zoom Bible Study

## NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

\* **Today we celebrate** the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, the sign and seal of our communion with the crucified and risen Lord. The Lord's Supper enacts and seals what the Word proclaims: God's sustaining grace offered to all people. Come to the table! Taste and see that the Lord is good!

\* **This morning** we receive our annual One Great Hour of Sharing Offering. This offering supports three ministries of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.): Presbyterian Disaster Assistance; Self-Development of People; and the Presbyterian Hunger Program. You may also contribute online at [www.wallacepresbyterian.com](http://www.wallacepresbyterian.com). For more information about One Great Hour of Sharing, visit [www.specialofferings.pcusa.org/offering/oghs/](http://www.specialofferings.pcusa.org/offering/oghs/).

\* **The church office** will be closed on Monday, April 5 in observance of the Easter holiday.

\* **There will be** no Monday night or Wednesday morning Zoom Bible studies this week.

