



THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

April 9, 2023

10:00 am

GATHERING MUSIC – “Morning Has Broken” Handchimes Choir

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

*please stand as you are able, in body or spirit

Bold indicates congregational response.

Today's liturgist is Traci McCoy.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

This is the day:

When tears are wiped away, shattered hearts are mended, fears are replaced with joy.

This is the day:

When the Lord rolls away the stone of fear, throws off death's clothes, goes ahead of us into God's future.

This is the day the Lord has made:

**Death has no fear for us, sin has lost its power over us,
God opens the tombs of our hearts to fill us with life.**

This is the day – Easter Day!

Christ is risen! Hallelujah!

HYMN*

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

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**1 Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**3 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
our salvation have procured. Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

**4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

God of the empty tomb, when we don't see things your way, when we think it is too hard to love, to heal, to care, we turn our backs on you. Forgive our unjust angers, our selfish desires, our fears and our doubts. Create new life in us, and then help us to live in you. Teach us how to live as resurrection people. We ask this in the name of the Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.

(silence)

**Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

[You are invited to exchange signs of peace with one another.]

RESPONSE TO PARDON*

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**Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-jah!
Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-jah!
Hal-le, hal-le, hal-le, lu-jah!
Hallelujah! Hal-le-ju-jah!**

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

NEW TESTAMENT – Acts 10:34-43

THE WORD WITH THE YOUNGER CHURCH

GOSPEL* – Matthew 28:1-10

SERMON

"Don't Be Afraid"

Linda Dickerson

"Hallelujah to the Risen Lamb"

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE*

We believe in the God who brought life and light in the good news of creation.

We believe in the Christ who brought new life in the good news of resurrection.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who brings life each day in the gospel of boundless renewal.

**We believe in grace that is stronger than evil,
in mercy that is larger than suffering,
and in joy that is greater than death.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / 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.

GO IN GOD'S NAME

HYMN*

"Thine Is the Glory!"

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**1 Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.**

**Refrain: Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.**

**2 Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth; death hath lost its sting.
(Refrain)**

**3 No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above.
(Refrain)**

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE*

Congregation and Choir

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia . . .

He is risen, He is risen, Alleluia, Alleluia . . .

Alleluia, Alleluia . . .

POSTLUDE

Please be in prayer for:

Revathi Balakrishnan	Herbert Payne	Matthew Harper
Ron Pearson	Susan Dickerson	Larry & Karen Rogers
Norma Williams	Gavin Adams	Pat Robinson
Brenda Payne	Karen McCollum	Olyvia Harter
Charles Allen	Hugh & Candy Springer	Corrie Lawson
Lou Brown	Edd Stoops	Justin Michael
Cathy Cunningham	Marty Rodgers	Kristin Adams
David Meincke		

Musicians: Marya Katz, Charles Bostian, Ann Marie Conner, Jack Webster, Pat Fullen, Adult Choir (varies)

Audio/Video Technicians – Marshall Chaney, Bruce Harper, Alex Chaney

Upcoming:

After worship today, there will be children's activities and an Easter egg hunt. Everyone is invited.

April 17-25 – Rev. Linda will be joining the Presbyteries of the Peaks and the James in a mission/study trip to Guatemala. Kathy Carpenter will be preaching.

April 9 – Committees meet after Sunday School

April 16 – Stated Session meeting

April 25 – Administrative Professionals Day

THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

Linda Dickerson.....	Teaching Elder / Pastor
Martha H. McMahan.....	Secretary
Marya Katz.....	Director, Adult Choir
Pat Fullen.....	Organist
Susan Heinze.....	Nursery Supervisor
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Mary Lough, Jane Jones.....	Co-Chairs, Mission Committee
Heidi Harper.....	Chair, Fellowship Committee
Bruce Harper.....	Chair, Human Resources Committee
Bruce Harper.....	Webmaster

We welcome each person who is visiting with our congregation this morning and extend a special invitation for you to make Northside church your home. Members and visitors, please use prayer request station to alert the church to pastoral needs or concerns.

THE SESSION

Sue Bentley. clerk

Class of 2023

Class of 2024

Class of 2025

Clark Gaylord

Ann Marie Conner

Sue Bentley

Dwayne Kittle

Bruce Harper

Betsy Stinson

Heidi Harper

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Church Office Hours

9:00 AM – Noon (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday)

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM (Wednesday)