ORDER OF WORSHIP

* Please stand as you are able

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRELUDE • Fanfare for Easter - Stocker

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Behold, this is our God:

Who destroys the shroud that is cast over us.

Behold, this is our God:

Who swallows up death forever.

Behold, this is our God:

Who wipes away the tears from all faces.

Behold, this is our God:

through Jesus Christ, God saves us.

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

God of Salvation, You have rolled the stone away and the tomb is empty. Nothing can defeat Your love for humankind. The night is passed and with dawn comes new creation; Christ is risen to bring us new life. We herald with gladness Your anointing of Jesus. We rejoice in our promised redemption from sin and life everlasting. Hear our shouts of glad adoration as we enter the courtyard of Your redeeming grace. Amen.

* HYMN 232 (GTG HYMNAL) • Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

CALL TO CONFESSION

Christ comes to us even after we have betrayed and denied Him. Christ comes to teach us, to share a meal with us, to invite us into community once again. Let us turn once again to Christ, sharing the whole of our lives with Him.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Miraculous Christ, we have heard it time and time again, the story of Your death and resurrection, the story of Your reappearance among us. We know You are here, and yet we often do not recognize You. Forgive us for failing to perceive You. Help us to see You in the companions we meet along the way, in those whose needs we ignore, in faces both familiar and strange. May we know You by the burning in our hearts, and the peace You bring to our souls. Amen.

(Continue with silent confession and reflection.)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

It is written that the Messiah is to suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in Christ's name to all nations.

We are witnesses of these things; praise be to Christ! Alleluia!

RESPONSE • The Strife is O'er (GTG Hymnal 236, verse 1)

The strife is o'er, the battle done;

The victory of life is won;

The song of triumph has begun.

Alleluia!

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE • Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks (GTG Hymnal 240, refrain only)

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Give praise to His name.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Job 19:25-27

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 24:1-12

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"FROM WORRY TO WONDER" • The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess

* THE REAFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING OF OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY MUSIC An Easter Fanfare - Besig and Price

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE Doxology

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

* HYMN 246 (GTG HYMNAL) • Christ Is Alive!

During the last two verses of the hymn, singers are welcome to come up to the choir loft and join the choir in singing "The Hallelujah Chorus". Music will be provided!

- * THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION
- * CHORAL RESPONSE Hallelujah Chorus Handel
- * POSTLUDE Toccata from Symphony No. 5 Widor



SERVING TODAY

OFFICIATING MINISTER: The Rev. Dr. W. Darren Bess, Senior Pastor

CHILDREN'S MOMENT: Mary Grace Gabriel, Children's Ministry Coordinator

LITURGIST: Rusty Baldwin

MUSICIANS: Justin Chase, Director of Music

Penny Walsh, Organ

Westminster Ringers: Meg Baldwin, Janet Barnes, Jayne Leach, Lynne McKnight, Doug Reece, Jan Reiker,

Holly Small, Dawn Sumrall, George Sumrall, Penny Walsh; Sandra Shafer, Director

AUDIO/VISUAL: Carole Reece, Doug Reece, Nelson Roe, Carissa Taylor

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FLOWERS

The flowers today are given to the glory of God by Betty Johnston with Easter Blessings to my church family and in loving memory of my beloved husband Chuck.

ANTHEM TEXT

People of God, rejoice and sing. Lift up your voices and let them ring. Sing alleluia! He is risen, our Savior and King! People of God, rejoice and believe, This is the day He sets us free, sing alleluia! Jesus, the Savior is risen indeed. The strife is o'er, the battle done; the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun: Alleluia. People of God, rejoice in praise, we have His Son to show us the way. Sing alleluia! Jesus is risen today.

Music

Our CCLI License number is 11184426; OneLicense.net number is 725233; Our CVLI License number is 505405959.

WORSHIP AIDS

Assistive hearing devices are available from an audio/visual technician at the rear of the sanctuary.

EXECUTION INFORMATION CS

PASTORAL CARE

If you (or someone you know) are going through a difficult time, please reach out to us. Our Deacons and pastoral care staff are available for support, home and hospital visits, and prayer. Please contact Dr. Darren Bess at 407-647-1467 or <u>darrenb@winppc.org</u>. For pastoral emergencies when the church office is closed, call 407-647-1467 x 112.

PUBLICITY

If you have a church event that needs to be publicized, please fill out the form located at http://winppc.org/publicity-request/.

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WELCOME

We are so glad you are here to worship with us today! Worship services are also available online. Sermons can be found at www.winppc.org/sermons.

EASTER LILIES

If you purchased Easter lilies please take them with you after the service.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING—TODAY

~The Compassion Committee

This Special Offering of the PC(USA) is being received today. Matthew 25:31-46 calls all of us to actively engage in the world around us and to connect with those who have the least. We CAN make a difference in so many lives throughout the world. Thirty-two percent of this donation supports Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, 36% helps Presbyterian Hunger Program, and 32% assists Self-Development of People. Thank you for your generosity.

SO ANNOUNCEMENTS 03

HANNAH CIRCLE

Hannah Circle will meet Monday, April 10th at 6:00 PM in room 301. All women are welcome. Join us for a study of Women in the Bible.

MAGAZINES & BOOKS NEEDED FOR THE HOMELESS

The table we set up for adults at the Coalition for the Homeless is low on reading material. Please remember to save your used magazines and books, bring them to church on Sunday, and place them in the Coalition bin (right side as you enter) in the Fellowship Hall. Your thoughtfulness is always appreciated!

RELATIONSHIPS IN ACTION—SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:15 AM IN ROOM 301 April 16th - The Holy Land

Frank and Wendy Jamison look forward to sharing their experiences and pictures from many sites in Israel and Jordan during a two-week visit.



The Session				
2023	<u>2024</u>	<u>2025</u>		
Syd Davis	Mike Galyean	Theresa Coker		
Fred Kittinger	John Gehrig	Mary Ferguson		
Malcolm MacDiarmid	Jayne Leach	Cathy House		
Jim McKinney	Audrey Santiago	Glenn Riccio		
Dawn Sumrall	Sara Van Arsdel	Ron Thompson		

The Diaconate			
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Ron Ellman	Lisa Dreasher	Meg Baldwin	
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