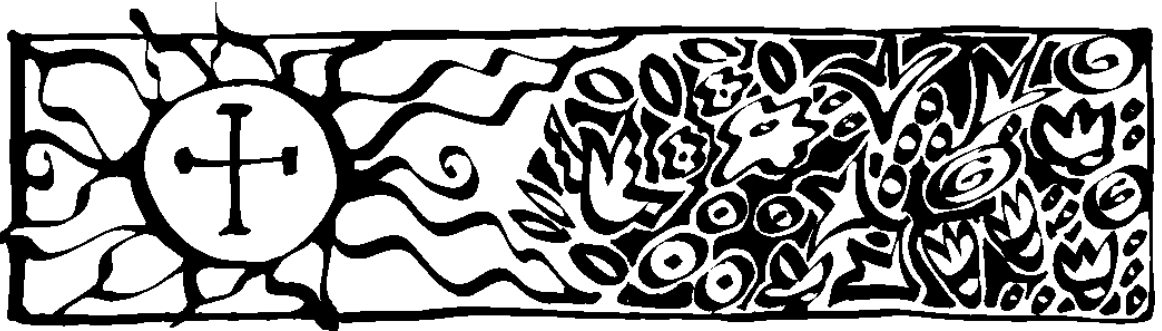


FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Seeking the peace and well-being of the city

April 5, 2026 11:00 a.m.

Easter
Sunday



PRELUDE

Lift High the Cross

D. Busarow

GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

CALL TO WORSHIP

INTROIT

Easter Introit

J. Ferguson

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

WORDS: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt.
MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, 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!

The image shows a musical score for the hymn "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today". It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff at the top and a bass clef staff at the bottom. The time signature is 4/4. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. There are four lines of lyrics corresponding to the four verses of the hymn. The lyrics are: "1 Christ the Lord is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!", "2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!", "3 Lives a - gain our glo-rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!", and "4 Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!".

All cre - a - tion, join to say Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Where, O death, is now thy sting? Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol - lowing 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 heavens, 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!

***INVOCATION AND 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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God, we seek you.
We look high and low, far and wide,
aching to be with you.
All the while forgetting
that you never leave us or forsake us.**

**Forgive us our preoccupation,
our self-centredness, our forgetfulness
as you gently call our name.
May we be fully aware of your ever present love
and revel in it.**

(Silence for personal confession and reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***GLORIA PATRI**

R. Goodson

**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.**

FIRST READING

Colossians 3:1-4

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

ANTHEM

Christ Is Risen! Christ Is Alive!
Harvey Hiller, trumpet

L. Larson

RESPONSIVE READING

One: Why are you weeping?

Many: They have taken away my Lord.

One: Why are you weeping?

Many: Tell me where they have taken him.

One: Jesus calls each and every one of us by name.

Many: We raise our eyes in delight and exclaim,

All: We have seen the Lord!

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Alleluia No. 1

D. Fishel

WORDS and MUSIC: Donald Fishel (1950-)

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Refrain (Unison)

N.C.

F

Dm

Bb

Gm7

C

C7

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris-en Lord, Al - le -

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name!

Harmony

F Dm Dm7 Gm7 C

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth;
 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
 4 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God,

to Refrain

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for - ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

SECOND READING

John 20:1, 11-18

Read from the NRSV Bible

Response to the reading: **"Thanks be to God"**

***HYMN OF MEDITATION**

Let Us Sing of Mary

KING'S WESTON

text: Hannah C. Brown
tune: KINGS WESTON

1. Let us sing of Mar - y, fol - low - er and friend,
 2. Let us sing of Mar - y, first to know Christ rose,
 3. Let us be like Mar - y, bold de - spite our fear,

pa - tron of the peo - ple, al - ly to the end;
 sent as an a - pos - tle through her words hope grows;
 ten - der in our griev - ing, stead - fast and sin - cere,

break - ing man - made bar - ri - ers, find - ing paths through pain;
 wit - ness - ing to em - pire, trav - 'ling shore to shore;
 teach - ing with con - vic - tion, faith - ful, un - de - terred;

trust - ing in a ris - ing death could not con - tain.
 tes - ti - fy - ing gos - pel nev - er heard be - fore.
 we praise God for Mar - y, her - ald of the Word.

INTERGENERATIONAL SERMON

Rev. Jeremy Keay

(Silence for personal reflection)

CELEBRATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

Easter Joy!

P. Lehenbauer

*New Doxology

M. Adria

Let's praise God for each good thing.

All creation, shout and sing!

Praise three Persons, yet one Love:

Maker, Saviour, Holy Dove! Amen.

*Prayer of Gratitude

*HYMN FOR THE JOURNEY

Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven

ODE TO JOY

WORDS: Christopher Wordsworth (1807-1885); rev. vss. 2 & 3 Jubilate Hymns, 1982

MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven (1770-1827); adapt. Edward Hodges (1796-1867)

Words vss. 2 & 3 © 1982 Jubilate Hymns (Admin. Hope Publishing Company)

1 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heaven and voic - es raise:
2 Al - le - lu - ia, Christ is ris - en! Death at last has met de - feat:
3 Christ is ris - en, we are ris - en! Set your hearts on things a - bove;
4 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be to God on high:

sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;
see the an - cient powers of e - vil in con - fu - sion and re - treat;
there in all the Fa - ther's glo - ry lives and reigns our King of love;
Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior who has gained the vic - to - ry;

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven'. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a bass line (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains the first four verses of the hymn. The second system contains the continuation of the hymn, starting with 'sing to God a hymn of glad-ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;'. The music is written in a simple, accessible style, suitable for congregational singing.

he who on the cross a vic - tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled—
 once he died, and once was bur - ied: now he lives for - ev - er - more,
 hear the word of peace he brings us, see his wound - ed hands and side!
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, fount of love and sanc - ti - ty!

Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
 Je - sus Christ, the world's Re - deem - er, whom we wor - ship and a - dore.
 Now let ev - ery wrong be end - ed, ev - ery sin be cru - ci - fied.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia to the Tri - une Maj - es - ty!

***THE BLESSING OF THE COMMUNITY**

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you.

People: And also with you.

CHORAL BENEDECTION

Christ Is Arisen!

arr. Carol Dyck

***The Sending of the Community**

***Congregational Amen**

The service of the church into the world – begins again this week

POSTLUDE

Toccata (from Symphony No. 5)

C.M. Widor

***Please stand, as you are able**

We are grateful for those who serve with us today:
Prayers of the People - Rev. Amanda Strain;
Scripture Reading - Mark Domning, Natalie Cook;
Video & Sound Technician - Evan Adnams.

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Rev. Jeremy Keay, Minister of Youth, Young Adults, Outreach
Dawn Stiles, Minister of Children and Families
Dr. Evelyn Grieger, Minister of Music
Jerrold Eilander, Organist / Choir Accompanist

*As we attempt to provide comfortable spaces for all and we have some members who
have severe scent sensitivities, we ask that people refrain from wearing perfumes and
colognes on Sunday morning to church. Thank you for helping us care for one another.*

— FBC Council