



## Presbyterian Church

Central Campus  
4400 North Shartel Avenue

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Easter Sunday  
(Originally Aired April 21, 2019)  
April 12th, 2020

# Easter Sunday Worship

## **Prelude:**

*Fantasia in G Major, BWV 572*

J.S. Bach

*Grace Jackson, Organ Scholar*

*Meditation on "St. James's Air"*

Harold Darke

*Three for Easter I. Gaudeamus Pariter II. Mit Freuden Zart, III. Vruechten*

James Biery

*Grand Choeur Dialogue*

Eugene Gigout

*Dr. Melissa Plamann, Artist in Residence*

*Westminster Brass*

## **Time of Welcome**

### **\*Sharing of the Peace of Christ**

Leader: Jesus Christ is Risen!

**People: He is Risen Indeed!**

Leader: May the Peace of the Risen Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

### **Introit: *Introit for Easter Day***

Mark Schweizer

Alleluia! Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen today!

*Chancel Choir; Zachary DeVault, Baritone; Dr. Stephen Goforth, Trumpet*

\*\*Commissioned in Honor of June White by Westminster Presbyterian Church for Easter Sunday Worship\*\*

## **Call to Worship**

Leader: Christ has risen while earth slumbers; Christ has risen where hope died

**People: As he said and as he promised, as we doubted and denied**

Leader: Let the moon embrace the blessing, let the sun sustain the cheer.

**People: Let the world confirm the rumor; Christ is risen, God is here!**

### **\*Processional Hymn: #232 *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today***

Easter Hymn

Arrangement by Richard Webster

## **Time of Confession**

### **Invitation to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

Loving God, we confess that at times we do not share in the joy of the resurrection because we are caught in the worries of the world. We confess that we do not always live in the spirit of new life because we remain discontent, grumbling and anxious. Forgive us for not sharing in the Good News. Forgive us when we find it more comfortable to worry and complain than to risk the joy and encouragement of new life in Christ.

Call us back to your ways, O God, to seek hope and reconciliation, restoration and peace. In the name of the Risen Christ, we pray. Lord hear our confession and those we offer in silence.... (a silence is kept) Amen.

## **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader: Friends, believe the good news of God's grace.

**People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God.**

### **\*Response to Forgiveness: #581 *Glory Be to the Father***

Gloria Patri

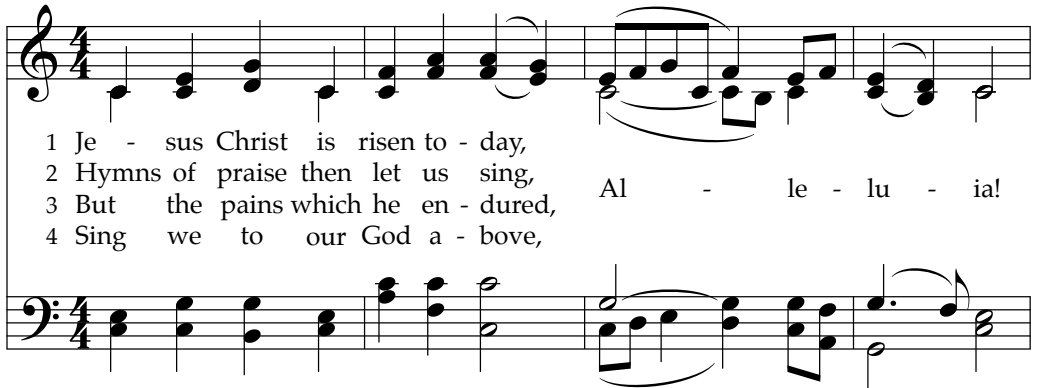
**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

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JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

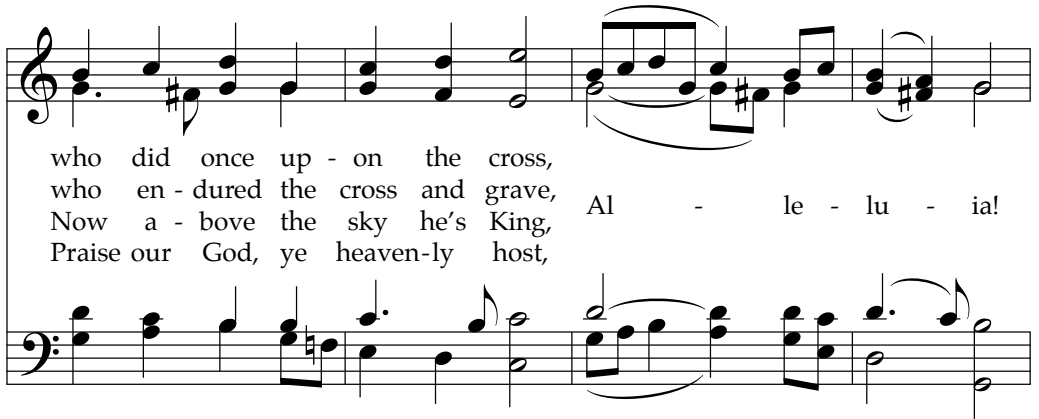
## 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



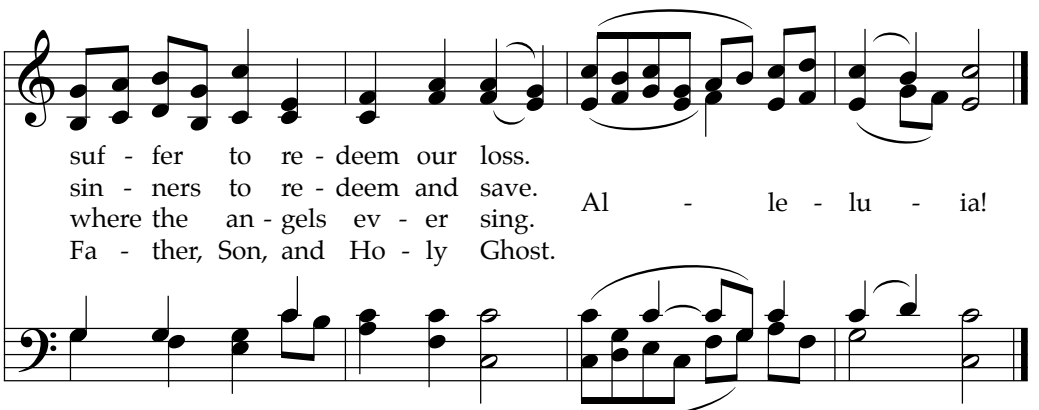
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,  
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 But the pains which he en - dured,  
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,  
un - to Christ, our heaven - 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 heaven - 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.

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Reading from the Old Testament

Isaiah 65:17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent—its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### Children's Moment: #231 *Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers*

Suo Gan

**1 Christ has risen while earth slumbers; Christ has risen where hope died, as he said and as he promised, as we doubted and denied. Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer; let the world confirm the rumor: Christ is risen, God is here!**

**2 Christ has risen for the people whom he died to love and save; Christ has risen for the women bringing flowers to grace his grave. Christ has risen for disciples huddled in an upstairs room. He whose word inspired creation can't be silenced by the tomb.**

As the children come forward, the congregation shall sing **verse 1**.

As the children return to their seats, the congregation shall sing **verse 2**.

### Reading from the New Testament

John 20: 1-18

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes. But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

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JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

## 245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!



1 "Christ the Lord is risen to - day!"  
2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
3 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,  
4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!



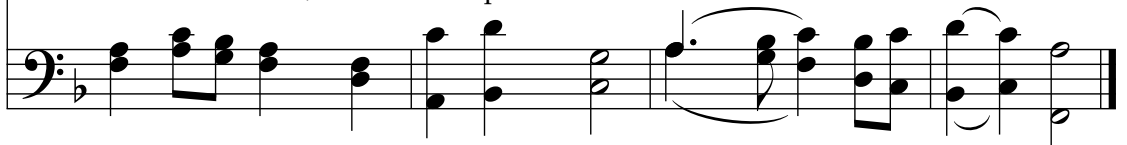
All cre - a - tion, join to say:  
Fought the fight, the bat - tle won,  
Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
Praise to you by both be given,



Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,  
Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
Je - sus died, our souls to save,  
Ev - ery knee to you shall bow,



Sing, O heavens, and earth re - ply,  
Christ has o - pened par - a - dise. Al - le - lu - ia!  
Where your vic - to - ry, O grave?  
Ris - en Christ, tri - um - phant now.



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## **Anthem: Song of Resurrection**

Peter Siedlecki, Roland E. Martin

When the faint new presence of light nudges the night into leaving,  
When the green shoot breaks through the crust and turns, as it must, into blooming,  
When the raindrop quenches the thirst and raises the cursed and the grieving,  
When the old somber ways are destroyed and what stays is the joy that is human,  
This is the meaning of hallelujah! Rise, come forth, and sing hallelujah!  
When the infant takes breath to sustain the requisite pain of his glory,  
When the mother can smile in relief expressing belief in this blooming,  
And the ancient rolls away age to turn a new page in the story,  
The old sombre ways are destroyed, what remains is the joy that is human,  
This is the meaning of hallelujah! Rise, come forth, and sing hallelujah!  
*Chancel Choir; Grace Jackson, Organ; Westminster Brass*

## **Sermon: "THE BURIED HALLELUJAH!"**

Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

## **\*Hymn of Discipleship: #245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!**

Llanfair

Arrangement by Jeremy J. Bankson

## **\*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles' Creed (Traditional)**

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.

## **Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (Traditional)**

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.

## **Invitation to Offering**

**Offertory: Hallelujah!** From *Christ on the Mount of Olives*

Ludwig Van Beethoven

Hallelujah unto God's almighty Son!  
Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs in holy songs of Joy.  
Man, proclaim His grace and glory. Hallelujah!  
*Chancel Choir; Dr. Melissa Plamann, Organ; Westminster Brass*

**"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also"** (Matthew 6:20)

*Though we work and worship separately, carefully, and thoughtfully during this time, the work of God's Kingdom continues through acts of kindness and compassion. You may click this secure hyperlink to give your offering or tithe:*

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Westminster Presbyterian Church, 4400 N. Shartel OKC, OK 73118.

## **\*Doxology: #609 Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow**

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

# Easter Sunday Worship

LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST

## Lift High the Cross

826

*Refrain*  
*Descant*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred name. *Fine*

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Sav - ior trod,  
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied  
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

the Lamb vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
bear on their brow the seal of Christ who died.  
your death has brought us life e - ter - nal - ly.  
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry. *to Refrain*

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## \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

## \*Recessional Hymn: #826 *Lift High the Cross*

Crucifer

Arrangement by Mark Schweizer

\*\*Commissioned in Memory of Larry D. Larson for Easter Sunday Worship\*\*

## \*Benediction

## Choral Benediction: *Hallelujah!* from *Messiah*

G. F. Handel

## Postlude: *Toccata* from *Symphony V*

Charles-Marie Widor

The Service of worship concludes after the postlude. The music can be enjoyed and this time can be used for prayer.  
You may remain seated or depart quietly

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\*This sign is an invitation, to all who are able, to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

## Leading In Worship

**Pastor/Head of Staff:** Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas

**Senior Associate Pastor :** Rev. Michelle Junkin

**Associate Pastor:** Rev. Abbey Walker

**Parish Associate, Volunteer:** Rev. Jennifer Kirbas

**Commissioned Pastor:** Glenn Dunn

**Director of Worship and Music:** Josh Phelps

**Organ:** Dr. Melissa Plamann, Artist in Residence;

Steve Thompson, Principal Organist;

Grace Jackson, Organ Scholar

**Westminster Brass**

**Trumpet:** Stephen Goforth, Jeff Loud

**Horn:** Frank Goforth

**Trombone:** Brian Haapanen

**Tuba:** Brett Nichols

**Percussion:** Seth Boothby, Nicole Pearce



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# LOOKING AHEAD • APRIL 12TH, 2020

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**Central Campus Office Hours**  
**We are having church staff work from home as much as possible and limiting work in the church office. Please abstain from visits to the office and instead contact church staff via email, or phone call. The church voice mail and email will be monitored regularly.**

### Sunday Services

**Our 10 AM worship service will be live-streamed Sundays at 10 AM on [Facebook Live, wpcokc.com](https://www.facebook.com/wpcokc), and [Livestream](https://www.livestream.com/wpcokc). The broadcast will be archived on our website for later viewing.**

### Service Broadcast

Sundays -

- 5 AM on KOKH  
(check local listings)
- 11 AM on KOCO  
(check local listings)
- online via our LiveStream at:  
<http://www.wpcokc.com/live-streaming>

*I would like to speak with a pastor or ministry leader...*

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Dear Congregation,

We are huddled in our houses, sheltering in place, with great anxiety and fear of what is ahead of us. You may think I am writing those words about this very moment, but actually, I am quoting what the early disciples must have been confessing on that first Easter Day. The Gospels tell us that the disciples were hiding together in a room, hiding in fear, when the news came to them that the tomb was empty, and Jesus Christ had risen. So in many ways, as we too huddle in our own houses, let us hear the good news that comes in such situations: Jesus Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed!

We can only offer Easter Sunday worship online this year, but we do believe that Easter deserves the full experience that Westminster historically offers. So in our online service, we will return to Easter Sunday 2019. The bulletin offered to you contains that service, so we invite you to print it out, say the words, and sing the hymns, that announce the joyous news of Easter day. Our online Easter service will be offered at two times on Sunday, 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM. Invite your family and friends to worship with us.

Next Sunday, April 19, is another important day. It is the 25th anniversary of the Oklahoma City bombing. As a gift to the community on this important day, our online worship service next Sunday will offer a special service of music from our music ministry. But other parts of the service will be current, as our message addresses the significance of remembering, in terms of good times and tragic ones.

I wish you and your family a very blessed Easter day. Even though we may still feel like the world is in the deep valley, the empty tomb rings out a message of hope. Let us embrace that hope as we walk on from the empty tomb.

In God's Love,



**Paul J Kirbas**  
Pastor/Head of Staff

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## WESTMINSTER SERVICE NEED

The WPC kitchen is providing about 140 meals twice a week to needy families with kids out of school. If you would like to contribute please put COVID-19 on the memo line of your check and make it out to WPC.

### Items Needed For Donation

- All Beef Hot Dogs
- Wolf Brand Chili
- Ketchup
- Hot Dog Buns
- 8oz Bags of Shredded Cheddar

The Rhonda Hefton Express will pick up your donations when you are ready. Please **TEXT** the following to Rhonda's phone number 405.834.0809

- **Name**
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- **Time of Pickup**

## BIRTHDAYS

**Happy Birthday! The following Westminster members are celebrating their birthdays this week. Please remember them in your prayers, that they may experience God's grace in the coming year.**

**April 12th** - Jamie Hubbard; Haydon Raybourn; Taylor Richardson; Linda Rodgers; Claire Thompson

**April 13th** - Ann Fleming

**April 14th** - Danielle Atchley; Paige Bass; Aaron Boyd; Dave Husted

**April 15th** - Julie Affolder; Charles Bethea; Keith Eidson; Emily Ellis; Audrey Johnston; Niki McClintock; Kelly Miller

**April 16th** - Stephanie Hershberger; Chris Plumley

**April 17th** - Donald Bullard; Sydney Foster

**April 18th** - Carol Dobry; Dick Floyd; Donna McMillan

## SUNDAY SERVICE STREAMING OPTIONS

Below you will find all the streaming options, worship bulletin link, and offering link. Thank you for your patience as we work with our website provider.

**Our Easter Sunday Service will stream at 9 AM & 11 AM.**

*Due to the rest of the nation's churches worshiping online, we encourage you to opt-in 5 minutes before the start time.*

[Facebook Live](#)  
[wpcokc.com](http://wpcokc.com) streaming

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[Worship bulletin for April 12th](#)