

**SERVICE OF DIVINE WORSHIP
Resurrection of the Lord/ Easter Sunday**

April 9, 2023

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

*Time for quiet prayer and meditation . . .
"Be still and know that I am God."*

We Come Before God in Worship

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

9:00 a.m. "Alleluia" Mozart

11:00 a.m. "Easter Joy" arr. Helman
Adult Handbells and Brass Ensemble

* Call to Worship

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

People: He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Leader: Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: He has given us new life and hope.

* Hymn "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" No. 232

* Prayer of Confession (Unison)

**Almighty God,
you have raised Jesus from the grave
and crowned him Lord of all.
We confess that we have not bowed before him,
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.
We have gone along with the way of the world
and failed to give him glory.
Forgive us and raise us from sin,
that we may be your faithful people,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world,
and is head of the church, his body. Amen.**

* Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri No. 581

**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.**

Prayer for Children
(Ages K3-1st Grade may leave for Children's Church)

**Little ones to Him belong:
Lord Jesus, bless our children. Amen.**

God Gives to Us Through His Word

Scripture Lesson Matthew 28:1-10

Anthem (11:00 am) "Rise Up Singing" arr. Courtney
Adult Choir and Brass Ensemble

Scripture Lesson II Corinthians 4:7-5:1

Sermon "This Treasure In Jars of Clay" Dr. Seel

* Hymn "The Day of Resurrection!" No. 233

* Affirmation of Faith (Unison)

**In life and 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 proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.
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.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to Holy Spirit. Amen.**

We Respond to God's Word

Choral Call to Prayer (11:00 am) "Alleluia"
Adult Choir

Prayers of the People 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 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.**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

9:00 a.m. "Meditation" arr. McDonald

11:00 a.m. "Triumphal Medley" arr. Fritchie
Brass Ensemble

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication No. 606

**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.**

* Hymn "Thine Is the Glory" No. 238

* Charge and Benediction

L: God of our salvation,
you have restored us to life,
**P: You have brought us back again into your love
by the triumphant death and resurrection of
Christ:**

L: Continue to heal us
as we go to live and work,
**P: In the power of your Spirit,
and to your praise and glory.**

L: And now may the God of peace,
who raised to life the great shepherd of the sheep,
make us ready to do his will in every good thing,
through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.
P: Alleluia! Amen.

* Benediction Response "Make Us Holy, Make Us Whole"

*In your love, make us whole. May we rest in your compassion.
Calm the lost, weary soul in the warmth of your love.
May your peace fill our hearts. May we know the love of Jesus
By your grace, you console. Make us holy, make us whole.*

* Postlude "Jubilation" Handel

* Congregation Stands

**Please write your
request, tear off this
form, fold, and place in
the offering plate.**

PRAYER REQUESTS

The Tuesday Morning Prayer
Group meets each week at
10:00 a.m. to pray for the
EPC family and any other
special needs.

Name and date: (optional)

(These are kept confidential!)

**WELCOME TO
VISITORS**

If you are visiting today,
we would like you to know
that it is a privilege to have
you with us. It is our hope
that you will find a warm
welcome and an atmosphere
to worship God.

We would love a record of
your visit. Please fill out the
following and place in the
offering plate when passed.

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

1st Time Visit

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The Flower Calendar to place flowers in the Sanctuary during 2023 is on the wall outside of the Church Office. This is a great way to honor or remember someone on a special date.

GUEST MUSICIANS

We welcome the following as our brass ensemble in worship today:
 Shane Vickery, Trumpet
 Tom Farrar, Trumpet
 Kai Prins, Horn
 John Farrar, Trombone
 Mia Prins, Trombone

NEW INFORMATION???

Do you have a new phone number? New email address? Any changes in your family's information?

To help keep the church's records current, please fill out the form below and return it in the offering plate, call us at 859-4220, or E-mail: dicie@easleypresbyterian.org.

Name: _____

New Information: _____

Thank You!

NURSERY STAFF

Victoria Rose Brock, Valerie Brock, & Lindsey McAlister

CHILDREN'S CHURCH VOLUNTEERS TODAY

9:00 a.m.

GINNA LISTER

11:00 a.m.

TONY BROCK
 MARY KATHERINE MARTIN

SAFE PLACE MONITOR

MARIO DIPETRO

APRIL USHERS

9:00 a.m.

ERIC DILLON, Head
 MICHAEL BAKER, Asst.

11:00 a.m.

STEPHEN ROACH, Head
 MICHAEL BAKER, Asst.

SOUND & LIGHT

CAROLYN BRICE

VIDEO

PHIL LYLES

Member News

We welcome our new affiliate member, Betty Howe, who joined EPC on April 2, 2023.

CHURCH STAFF

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CHURCH OFFICERS

Session

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| Class of 2023
Floride Caldwell
Paul Cook
John Cutchin
Joel Ledbetter
Kathy Lyles
Robert Sams | Class of 2024
Gregg Branham
Karen Cooper
Phil Darity
Dennis Latham
Wilma Shealy
Scott Wilbanks | Class of 2025
Carolyn Brice
Barry Brock
Meg Jewell
Kelvin Kearse
Dan Nunnery
Monty Oxendine |
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Diaconate

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| Class of 2023
Britt Burnett
Dustin Coats
Lucas Durham
Chad Lister
Greg Lucas
Melissa Wilbanks | Class of 2024
Melanie Branham
John Dockery
Eric Goodwin
Mary Ann Merritt
David Owen
Stephen Roach | Class of 2025
Michael Baker
Lori Brock
Eric Dillon
Candice Ledbetter
Annie Rossley
Brad Wilson |
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Trustees

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| Dexter Rogers | David Whittemore | Jack Brock |
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