

St. Andrew Presbyterian Church

Resurrection of the Lord Sunday

March 31, 2024

Rev. Tripp Brogdon, Pastor

BJ Breeding, Liturgist

Mavis Stephens, Choir Director

Dr. Jeff Gilbreath, Pianist

Prelude "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" Dr. Gilbreath

We Gather in God's Presence

Pastor's Welcome

Call to Worship

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

One: This is the day that the Lord has made;

All: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

One: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*Hymn "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" #248

Gathering Prayer

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Saving God, we are in awe of the power of resurrection, and we give you glory with our hallelujahs, but we carry lingering doubts about your saving power in our lives. We ask why you do not answer our prayers quickly enough. We demand signs to prove the reality of your promises. Sometimes we find ourselves wondering when you will show up to ease our pain. We pray now that you will help us in our impatience and unbelief. Forgive us and free us to recognize your presence. Amen. (Silent Confession)

Hymn of Response "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" refrain #240

Assurance of Pardon

One: By the grace of God and the witness of our ancestors, the good news of Jesus' resurrection is our rock and our salvation. You shall not die but live. I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

All: Thanks be to God for the good news of the Gospel!

*Passing of the Peace

*Gloria Patri #581

We Listen for God's Word

Prayer for Illumination BJ Breeding

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 BJ Breeding

Anthem "I Hear a Song in the Garden" Choir

Scripture Reading Mark 16:1-8 Rev. Brogdon

Sermon "In Defiance" Rev. Brogdon

We Respond to God's Word

Call for the Offering
Offertory "They Could Not" Dr. Gilbreath

*Doxology #606

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn "Thine Is The Glory" #238

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

One: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen, indeed.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

One: In every time and every age, O God, it is good and faithful that we give you thanks...

One: ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest!

One: Joy and gladness are our song, redeeming God...

One: Remembering our Lord's self-giving love, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Rev. Brogdon continues.

Breaking of the Bread and Sharing of the Cup

Prayer After Communion

Thank you, O God, for giving us communion with our risen and glorious Lord. Shape us, your church, to be your risen body in the world; make our scars beautiful like your scars, make our lives life-giving like your life, and make our communion holy with your saints, until you come again in glory, and we eat with you your kingdom, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

We Are Sent Into the World

*Hymn	“The Day of Resurrection!”	#233
*Benediction		Rev. Brogdon
Postlude	“Because He Lives”	Dr. Gilbreath

*Please rise in body or spirit.

Bold and italic type indicates our shared response.

Calendar:

Mon., Apr. 1	Office Closed for Easter Monday
Tues., April 2	10:00 AM Presbyterian Women, meet in the Fellowship Hall Lesson: “Lydia Encounters Jesus...” , Acts 16:11-15 Leader: Cheryl Ellerbe
Thurs., April 4	1:00 PM Caring Hands

To Our Guests:

Welcome! It is a blessing to have you in worship with us today. We warmly invite your participation in the worship, fellowship, and ministry of our congregation. The pastor is available to answer any questions you might have after worship, by email or phone. There is a place for you here. A nursery is provided for children under the age of three.

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Scripture Reading, BJ Breeding: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain.

For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve.

Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died.

Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles.

Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

Scripture Reading, Rev Brogdon: Mark 16:1-8

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They

had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement.

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March 31, 2024**

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In memory of Kay and Kevin Hilleary

Faye Anderson

In memory of Ken Anderson

D. Ann Norris

In memory of Ray Norris

Dave and Cheryl Ellerbe

In memory of John and Irene Graddy

In memory of Gene and Bessie Ellerbe

John and Joan Jordan

In memory of Jonno Jordan

Tom and Bobbie Meier

In memory of Laurie Meier

Barb Mouton and Addi Zeiher

In memory of the Canfield Family and Owens Family

Ron and Lorrie Smallwood

In honor of John and Rita Abbott

In honor of Wanda Smallwood

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