

Christ
is risen!



Tustin
Presbyterian
Church

Easter Sunday Service
10:00 A.M. | April 20, 2025

Welcome

to Easter Worship at Tustin
Presbyterian Church!

Whether this is your first time with us or you've walked through these doors for many seasons, we are so glad you're here.

Today, we gather to celebrate the heart of our faith: the good news that Christ is risen—love has conquered death, hope has outlived despair, and God's promises continue to unfold in our lives. Easter is more than our history—it's a living truth that meets us where we are and calls us into new life, again and again.

At Tustin Presbyterian Church, we are a people shaped by grace, grounded in scripture, and committed to being a community where faith is nurtured, questions are welcomed, and love is practiced. In both English and Spanish, in person and online, we seek to be a church where all can find belonging and purpose.

We believe in a God who is active in the world and in our neighborhood. Through hands-on service, heartfelt worship, deepening study, and joyful fellowship, we seek to follow Jesus' call to love our neighbor. Whether it's preparing food for families at our weekly pantry, supporting children's and youth programs, or sharing in cross-cultural ministry through our Spanish-speaking community—this church is alive with resurrection energy, made possible by the Spirit and by the gifts of people like you.

You are invited to come as you are. And if today you find yourself needing comfort, curiosity, celebration, or just a place to sit with others in sacred silence—know that this is a place where all those things are honored.

As we worship together, may you hear the risen Christ calling your name. May you find connection, renewal, and maybe even a spark of joy. And may you go from this place reminded that resurrection is not just a past event—it is God's promise, present and powerful, here and now.

With hope and gratitude,
The Community of Tustin Presbyterian Church

TUSTIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WORSHIP



April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

10:00 a.m.

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

This service is being livestreamed.

*All who are able, please stand.

Bold italics: read in unison.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

No matter where you come from or where you're going, no matter what you believe or what you doubt, no matter what you feel or just don't feel today, no matter whom you love, you are welcome into this space to be met by a God who knows you by name, who knows your heart, who knows your mind, and...who wants to have a relationship with you.

When the prelude begins, please silence your cell phones and prepare your hearts and minds for worship.

PRELUDE

George F. Handel (1685-1759)

Up from the Grave He Arose

Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, Organ

IN THE LIFE

All present are requested to sign the Friendship Pad as it is passed.

SOLO INTROIT

Hymn 228, Verse 6

Were You There

Bekka Knauer, soloist

CHORAL INTROIT

An Easter Introit

TPC Chancel Choir, Organ, and Brass

*(Congregation, please stand and join in singing when cued)

An Easter Introit

Words by
JON PAIGE

Music by
DAVID ANGERMAN (ASCAP)
and JON PAIGE (BMI)

CONGREGATION (on cue)

*Hail now our fes - tal day! Al - le - lu - ia,
A - men! Christ rolled the stone a - way!
Al - le - lu - ia, A - men! "Life" is the
song we sing. Hail to the ris - en King!
Death, where is now your sting?
Al - le - lu - ia, A - men! (choir continues)

* Tune: MADRID, Traditional

Words: Christian H. Bateman, (1813-1889), alt.

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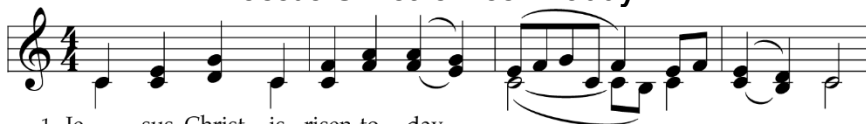
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* OPENING HYMN

Hymn No. 232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today



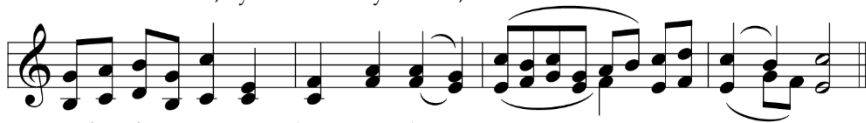
1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured,
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,



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.

TEXT: Stanzas 1-3, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; stanza 4, Charles Wesley, 1740
MUSIC: *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. from *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Steve

We have been to the tomb.

It is empty.

The angel proclaimed,

"He is not here. He is Risen."

Let us proclaim:

Christ is risen.

Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed.

He is risen indeed.

* PRAYER OF ADORATION

Hymn No. 611

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

During the third verse, the children are invited to be escorted to Sunday School with the Director of Children's Ministries.



- 1 Joy - ful, joy - ful, we a - dore thee, God of glo - ry, Lord of love!
- 2 All thy works with joy sur-round thee; earth and heaven re-lect thy rays;
- 3 Mor-tals, join the hap-py cho-rus which the morn-ing stars be-gan.



Hearts un-fold like flowers be-fore thee, o-pening to the sun a - bove.
stars and an-gels sing a-round thee, cen-ter of un-bro-ken praise.
Love di-vine is reign-ing o'er us, join-ing all in heav-en's plan.



Melt the clouds of sin and sad-ness; drive the dark of doubt a - way.
Field and for-est, vale and moun-tain, flower-y mead-ow, flash - ing sea,
Ev - er sing-ing, march we on-ward, vic - tors in the midst of strife.



Giv - er of im - mor-tal glad-ness, fill us with the light of day.
chant - ing bird and flow-ing foun-tain, call us to re - joice in thee.
Joy - ful mu - sic leads us sun-ward in the tri-umph song of life.

TEXT: Henry van Dyke, 1907, alt. MUSIC: Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824; adapt. Edward Hodges, 1842, alt.



* GLORIA

Hymn No. 391, Verse 4, Refrain

This is the Day

4 Praise the Cre - a - tor, the Christ, and the Spir - it,
from the be - gin - ning through worlds with - out end:
God who is now and who ev - er - more shall be,
glo - ry for - ev - er, a - men and a - men!

Refrain
This is the day; this is the day;
this is the day that God has made!

TEXT: Pablo Sosa, 1983; trans. Mary Louise Bringle, 2006 MUSIC: Pablo Sosa, 1983; arr. Alfred V. Fedak, 2012
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WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gail Greek, Liturgist

*Living God, by Your Holy Spirit,
open our eyes to see the new light of this day;
open our lips to tell of the empty tomb;
open our hearts to believe the good news;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

FIRST LESSON

New Testament, Page 90

Luke 24:1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,³but when they went in, they did not find the body.⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.

⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen.⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again."⁸Then they remembered his words,⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.

¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

ANTHEM

by Arvo Pärt (b. 1935)

Morning Star

TPC Chancel Choir

SECOND LESSON

New Testament, Page 90

Luke 24:13-35

¹³Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem,¹⁴and talking with each other about all these things that had happened.¹⁵While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them,¹⁶but their eyes were kept from recognizing him.¹⁷And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad.¹⁸Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?"

¹⁹He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, ²⁰and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. ²¹But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.

²²Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, ²³and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. ²⁴Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him."

²⁵Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! ²⁶Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" ²⁷Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

²⁸As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. ²⁹But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. ³⁰When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them.

³¹Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. ³²They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" ³³That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. ³⁴They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" ³⁵Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

What Levi Learned

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come again
to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.*

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Choral Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

On this joyous Easter Sunday we thank You...
We thank You for loving us with such unconditional love...
We thank You that in our darkest moments You are there...
We thank You for the Grace You have shown us...
We pray for healing for our war-torn world...
We pray for those who have their lives turned upside down
because of conflict...
We pray for those in need of safety and hope...
We pray for Your help to reflect Your Image to our world...
We pray for healing of every kind...
We offer our hearts for You to change...
We offer ourselves to be the bearers of Your Good News...

Lord's Prayer (Traditional)

Glory to God, Page 35

**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 ANTHEM

Russell Nagy (b. 1955)

Now, O Death, Where is Thy Sting?

TPC Chancel Choir, Organ, and Brass

* OFFERTORY RESPONSE

Hymn No. 609

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

The musical score is written for a single voice part in treble clef, with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with lyrics written below the notes. The lyrics are: "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. Praise God, all creatures high and low. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise God, in Je - sus ful - ly known: Cre - a - tor, Word, and Spir - it one. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!"

TEXT: Brian Wren, 1989 MUSIC: Geistliche Kirchengesäng, 1623; harm. Hal H. Hopson, 1998
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* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*God of the Resurrection,
in Jesus Christ You have given us Your very self.
As Christ's disciples, we give these gifts
for the life of the world.
Amen.*

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* CLOSING HYMN

Hymn No. 238

Thine Is The Glory



1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son; end - less is
2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught



the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai-ment
he greets us, scat-ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad-ness
with-out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors



rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave-clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death-less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan



where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing
to thy home a - bove.



Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

TEXT: Edmond Louis Budry, 1884; trans. R. Birch Hoyle, 1923, alt. MUSIC: George Frederick Handel, 1748

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* BENEDICTION AND BENEDICTION RESPONSE

*During the postlude, please feel free to depart,
or to remain and enjoy the music.*

POSTLUDE

by Lloyd Larson (b. 1954)

Christ is Risen! Let All the Earth Adore Him

TPC Chancel Choir, Organ, and Brass

*(Congregation, please stand and join in singing when cued)

Christ Is Risen! Let All the Earth Adore Him

CONGREGATION PART

Easter Hymn: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

Charles Wesley, 1739

Lyra Davidica, London, 1708

1. Christ the Lord is risen to-day, Al - le - lu - ia!
All cre - a - tion, join to say: Al - le - lu - ia! Raise your joys and
tri-umphs high, Al - le - lu - ia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply, -
Al - le - lu - ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - le - lu - ia!
Fol-l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head, Al - le - lu - ia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - le - lu - ia!

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Richard Chasin, contractor; Dr. Hye Kyung Lee, organ;
Choir Director Gavin Thrasher, and the TPC Chancel Choir
for this morning's special music.

OUR EASTER FLOWER DONORS

We are grateful to the following members and friends of Tustin Presbyterian Church for donating the beautiful flowers which adorn our sanctuary this morning:

Ron Askew, Brenda Benjamin, Cathy Barnes, Kosta Bell,
Helen and Gary Boggs, Martha and Shawn Connely,
Janette and Lee Ditkowsky, Juliana Emina-Coney, Gail Greek,
Kathy and Carl Greenwood, Ellen and Bill Groves, Carolyn and Bob
Hicks, The Ocampo Family, Lynn Petersen, Karyn Rashoff,
Denise Stanley, Melinda Watson

Thank you to all who helped to beautify our Sanctuary for today's Easter services! Donated Easter flowers will be available for pick-up after the worship service this morning.

AND TO OUR VOLUNTEERS AND CHILDCARE PROVIDERS!

Ushers - Victor Perez and his team.

Coffee and Punch Servers - Spanish Ministry. We are pleased to serve Fair Trade Coffee that is purchased through the Presbyterian Coffee Project.

Recording engineer - Angel Ocampo. You can watch a recording of today's service or other recent worship services on the TPC website, or you can request a CD through the church office for \$1.00.

Sunday School - Lori Ruff-Schmalenberger and her team. Nursery & Toddler Care in C108/C109. PreK – 6th Graders in C106.

Youth in Worship

ABOUT TODAY'S OFFERINGS

The **Easter Offering** supports the Pastor's Discretionary Fund, which helps meet urgent needs not covered by the budget.

Your gifts provide food, shelter, and emergency aid to those in need, and maintain confidentiality.

For details on the **One Great Hour of Sharing**, please see the insert in your bulletin.

GENERAL INFORMATION

OFFICE CLOSED – The church office will be closed on Tuesday, April 22, due to the Easter celebration. We will open on Wednesday, April 23, at 8:00 a.m. The church staff wishes everyone a happy and blessed Easter!

LAST DAY TO SIGN UP FOR THE DEACON BRUCH! You are invited to the Annual Deacon Bruch, on Sunday, April 27th, in the Fellowship Hall following the Worship service. Please RSVP on the patio today!

L'ARCHE WAVECREST SPRING AUCTION - Saturday, April 26, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Come and join us at Mother Louis Room, Campus of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, located at 480 S. Batavia St., Orange, CA 92868. Lunch entry for adults is \$40. Kids are free. Ticket includes lunch, raffle, silent and live Auction Items, including unique travel packages. For reservations, go to www.Larchewavecrest.org.



WOMEN'S RETREAT: PAUSING TOGETHER; PRAYER AND MEDITATION PRACTICES TO CONNECT WITH GOD – A new date for the women's retreat has been set! Join us on Saturday, May 24, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Fireside Lounge for a wonderful time together .



The Rev. Dr. Gail Stearns will be leading the retreat. She just finished a term as our Presbytery Moderator and Council Moderator. She retired from Chapman University in 2023, where she was Associate Professor of Religion and Dean of the Chapel, and is now Dean Emerita of the Wallace All Faiths Chapel. Gail is a certified Mindfulness teacher and through her business, Stearns Insight Consulting, she coaches individuals and offers workshops on stress management and finding deeper purpose and closer connection with God. She has two wonderful adult children who live in New York and Seattle, and she currently lives in Long Beach.

If you would like to sign up, come to the table in the patio or call the church office at 714-544-7070. Donation is only \$20 per person, and it includes lunch. We hope to see you there!