



EASTER SUNDAY  
CELEBRATION

*April 17, AD 2022*

*11 am*

# HE IS RISEN!

*Assisting Pastors: Whitney Alexander and Barry Phillips*

*Borislava Iltcheva, violin  
David Torns, violin  
Tyler Seih, viola*

*Luis Bernardo, cello  
Blake Hanna, trumpet  
Melissa Wilson, timpani/percussion*

*Steve Gustafson, organ and piano*



## GATHERING TO PRAISE

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### PRELUDE

“He Rose” ..... arranged by Christopher Phillips

### WELCOME

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*from Psalm 18*

I love you, O LORD, my strength.

**The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised, and I am saved from my enemies.

**The cords of death encompassed me; the torrents of destruction assailed me; the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.**

In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.

**He sent from on high, he took me; he drew me out of many waters.**

For who is God, but the LORD? And who is a rock, except our God?

**The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock, and exalted be the God of my salvation.**

For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations, and sing to your name.

**Great salvation he brings to his king, and shows steadfast love to his anointed, to David and his offspring forever.**

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today” ..... EASTER HYMN

### \*BLESSING GOD

*\*Standing*

\*GREETING

*Children Kindergarten and younger may go to Children's Church.*

*You may place your prayer request and tithes in the baskets during the Offertory.*

CHORAL OFFERTORY

"A Fantasy on 'Hallelujah' Chorus" ..... arranged by Christopher Phillips

Hallelujah!

For the Lord God, omnipotent reigneth.  
Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become  
The kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ.  
And he shall reign forever and ever.  
King of kings and Lord of lords.

Hallelujah!



PROCLAIMING THE WORD

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\*HYMN OF PREPARATION

"Thine Is the Glory" ..... MACCABEUS

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

*Luke 24: 28-35*

So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He acted as if he were going farther, but they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened, and they recognized him. And he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem. And they found the eleven and those who were with them gathered together, saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The secret things belong to the LORD our God.  
**But what has been revealed belongs to us, and to our children forever.**  
**That we may do all the words of this law.**

SERMON

"Stay with Us" ..... Gerrit Dawson



## RESPONDING TO THE WORD

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### PRAYER OF FAITH

**Lord Jesus, stay with us! For the hours fly by and we are far from home. Too much breaks. Too many leave. Our grip is fragile and our hope is frail. Stay with us. Be known to us. Open our eyes to see you ever with us. This day, join us to yourself anew in the sharing of the bread and the cup.**

### \*HYMN OF RESPONSE

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing” ..... MADRID



## LORD'S SUPPER

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### SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE EXCHANGE OF LOVE

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!  
**We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

### COMMUNION PRAYER

#### WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Great is the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

#### Communing in Christ

*\*\* This morning we will come forward to receive communion. Ushers will direct worshipers. You may partake of the bread and wine after returning to your seat.*

## COMMUNION MEDITATION

“Abide with Me”

Christopher Phillips, baritone

Borislava Iltcheva, violin

## CLOSING PASTORAL PRAYER



## BENEDICTION

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### \*BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

**Blessed be the LORD I AM, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit, amen!**

### \*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Hallelujah Chorus" from *Messiah* by G. F. Handel

All are invited to join the choir in the Chancel Loft in singing "Hallelujah Chorus."

### POSTLUDE

*II. Allegro* from Sonata in C Major by Tomaso Albinoni



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**Happy Easter!** We are glad you're here. If you are visiting with us, please use the Visitor Card in the pew racks, our church app (FPCBR in the App Store) or online at [fpcbr.org/connect](http://fpcbr.org/connect).

**Prayer Requests.** We'd love to pray for you. Prayer requests may be sent to [prayer@fpcbr.org](mailto:prayer@fpcbr.org), through Facebook Live and the church app or by filling out a card and placing in the offering basket as you come forward to receive communion.

**Women's Bible Study Workshop.** Join us for a 3-week workshop as we seek to more confidently approach and interpret the Word of God. Study dates are Thursday, April 28 through May 12 in FPC Room 202 at 9.30 am.

**Women's Spring Picnic.** Come be delighted and refreshed at the Women's Ministry annual Spring Picnic, hosted by Kathleen Pourciau on Friday, April 29, 11 am-1 pm. All women of the church and their guests are welcome! The cost is \$10 per person. RSVP online at [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org).

**The Meaning of Jesus' Agony in the Garden.** Gerrit was asked by *desiringGod* to describe the meaning of what Jesus suffered in the garden of Gethsemane. Grab a copy of his article at the Connection Center or visit [desiringgod.org](http://desiringgod.org).

**Energizing Marriage Seminar.** FPC will host Pete and Dee Adams leading a Created for Connection seminar for married couples, Friday, April 29 and Saturday, April 30. Past participants describe the weekend as "enlightening, encouraging, revealing, hopeful, powerful, safe, loving and renewing." Sign up at [createdforconnectionbr.org](http://createdforconnectionbr.org). 50% discount to FPC church members. Just email [jaci@fpcbr.org](mailto:jaci@fpcbr.org) to let us know you're attending.

**Lake Forest Ranch.** Kids age 7-12 are eligible to join us at LFR July 17-21. LFR's mission is building relationships for eternal impact. Please register by June 30. for more information, please contact Karah Guillory, [karah@fpcbr.org](mailto:karah@fpcbr.org).

**Jerusalem Marketplace VBS.** Jerusalem Marketplace VBS is a unique Bible immersion, living history experience for children entering kindergarten through 5th grade. Visit [fpcbr.org/vbs](http://fpcbr.org/vbs) for details and to register. VBS dates: June 20-24.

**Need a Pastor After Hours?** Would you like to reach a pastor after hours? Please call the church office (387.0617) and press 5 to be connected to the pastor on call.

**Give Online.** Visit [fpcbr.org](http://fpcbr.org) or go to the church app to make your gift online. You may also give through the U.S. mail. Email [prayer@fpcbr.org](mailto:prayer@fpcbr.org) if you have online giving questions.

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**Sanctuary flowers:** *The flowers are given today to the glory of God and in memory of Norman Saurage III, Maude and Norman Saurage, Sr., Alma Lee and Norman Saurage, Jr., and Flora and Gustave Spaht by their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.*

**Scripture for Next Week:** Acts 9: 1-9

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