



EASTER SUNDAY
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

April 5, AD 2026 9 am

CHRIST IS RISEN!

Assisting Pastor: Darin Travis

**Standing*



GATHERING *to* PRAISE

*WELCOME *and* CALL *to* WORSHIP

The Lord is risen!
He is risen indeed!

“Welcome, happy morning!” age to age shall say:
“Hell today is vanquished; heaven is won today!”

Free the souls long imprisoned, bound with Satan’s chain;
All that now is fallen raise to life again.

Show your face in brightness; shine in every land,
As in Eden’s garden when the world began.

Lo, the dead is living, God forevermore!
Christ, their true Creator, all his works adore.

*SONGS *of* PRAISE

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”
“This Is Our God”

*BLESSING GOD

INFANT BAPTISM

John-Redmond Bennett Underwood
Parents are Rachel and Colton Underwood
Brother is Mathias
Sponsoring Elder is Ryan Dickerson

***AFFIRMATION of FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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.**

Children ages three through kindergarten are invited to Children's Church.

***SONG of PRAISE**

"Crown Him"



PROCLAIMING *the* WORD

PRAYER *for the* HOLY SPIRIT

Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine,
of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined.
And he will swallow up on this mountain
the covering that is cast over all peoples,
the veil that is spread over all nations.
He will swallow up death forever;
and the Lord GOD will wipe away tears from all faces,
and the reproach of his people he will take away from

all the earth,
for the LORD has spoken.
It will be said on that day,
“Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might
save us.
This is the LORD; we have waited for him;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and
him crucified.

**For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to
us who are being saved, it is the power of God.**

(from I Corinthians)

SERMON

“Blowing the Lid Off!”

Gerrit Dawson

PRAYER *of* FREEING FAITH

**Risen Lord Jesus, you are the love I was born to find. You are here
offering me your life, asking for mine in return. You have given
me freedom to say, “No”. Today I use my freedom to say, “Yes”. I
surrender all I am to you. I renounce Satan, sin, the spirit of despair
and the lie that I am unloveable. I ask you to forgive me and those
who have hurt me. You are the Lord of the universe. Be Lord of my
life. I say, “Yes” to you. Amen.**

TIME *of* REFLECTION



LORD'S SUPPER

WE ARE WELCOMED *to the* TABLE

WE GIVE THANKS *for* JESUS' MIGHTY ACTS

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

WE HEAR *the* WORDS JESUS SAID *at* SUPPER

WE COMMUNE *with* JESUS

***You may place your prayer card and offering in the baskets as you come forward to receive Communion. Those seated downstairs will come forward. The plate will be passed for those seated in the balcony.*

SONGS of RESPONSE

“I Know a Name”

“Rise, My Soul, the Lord Is Risen”



BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION *and* RESPONSE

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



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy Easter! We are glad you're here. If you are visiting, please fill out the Connect Card in the pew rack or visit fpcbr.org/new-to-fpcbr. Each week we seek to press deeper into Christ and then follow his lead to go further into the world with his love. Prayer requests may be sent to prayer@fpcbr.org.

We're Having a Gala! Join us for “From Generation to Generation: A Night of Celebration & Vision” on April 17 at Boudreaux's. This special evening will joyfully honor Gerrit's 22 year ministry and celebrate his faithful leadership while also sharing our new Master Campus Plan. Scan the code to register by Friday, April 10. Suggested price is \$75 per person. If cost would prevent you from attending, there is an option to “pay what you can.” Those under the age of 21 are welcome to attend with an adult.



Combined Worship and Farewell Reception on April 26. Sunday, April 26 is Gerrit's last sermon with us before he retires. Come celebrate his 22 years with us at a combined 10.30 am service and special reception following. Let's express our gratitude for his leadership, preaching, and care for our church family. There will be no Sunday school.



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Prime Time Club Trip to Jefferson Mansion. The Prime Time Club (60+) is going to Prejean's Seafood, Jefferson Mansion and the Rip Van Winkle Gardens on Wednesday, April 15, but registration ends this Tuesday, April 7 at 11.45 pm. Scan the code for details and to register.



Nehemiah Now. Women's Ministry continues its journey through Nehemiah with a four-week study exploring how God still builds his church today through unity, holiness, and Christ-centered leadership. The study meets on Wednesday or Thursday beginning the week of April 15. Visit fpcbr.org for further details.

Special Children's Lesson Next Sunday. Jill Garner of Manners of the Heart will join us for a special Sunday school lesson for 1st-5th graders! Join us Sunday, April 12 at 10.10 am in Sanctuary basement room 36.

Church Office Closed Tomorrow. 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.

VBS Camper and Volunteer Registration. Jerusalem Marketplace VBS is back! Dates are Monday, June 8 through Thursday, June 11. Visit fpcbr.org for volunteer and camper details.

Attention Parents of Seniors. Please send your senior's baby and graduation photos to Jessica (jessica@fpcbr.org) by April 17. Senior Sunday is May 3.

Volunteer for the Returning Hearts Celebration, May 16. Returning Hearts is a fun and Spirit-filled annual event where children and their Angola inmate fathers can begin to allow God's healing and reconciliation in their lives. Men are needed to volunteer. Visit fpcbr.org.

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

Scripture for Next Week: John 20:19-31
Services are video recorded and livestreamed.
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