



Holly Presbyterian Church  
Resurrection of the Lord  
Easter Sunday  
April 20, 2025

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Pennies from Heaven** A voluntary small change offering for building projects.

**Prelude**

**Julia Hull**

**\*Call to Worship**

**Based on Psalm 66**

Shout joyful praises to God, all the earth! Sing about the glory of his name! Tell the world how glorious he is. Say to God: "How awesome are your works!"

**Everything on earth will worship you; they will sing your praises, shouting your name in glorious songs.**

Come and see what our God has done, what awesome miracles he does for his people!

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed!**

**\*Opening Hymn #245 "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"**

**Call to Confession**

**Based on Jeremiah 29:11-**

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**Prayer of Confession**

**Lord, though you had made your plans known to your disciples before your death, they seemed to not expect your resurrection. Is it the same with us? Have you made yourself and your intentions known to us and we have been too stubborn to believe? Have we given ourselves to an intellectual agreement with your word but failed to let it transform our hearts? Lord, if we have done this, please forgive our lack of faith. We turn our hearts over to you and ask that you would transform them in your power. Make us to be a people who expects the empty tomb. Help us to endure whatever we may face with joy as we surrender ourselves to your perfect and good will.**

**(please take time for silent personal confession)**

**Assurance of Pardon**

**Based on Isaiah 44:22**

**Amen!**

**Prayer for Illumination**

God above all, you see a full picture of time that we do not see. Great are the mysteries of your intention, power, and might. We see but a glimpse and want to see fully. Open our minds and our hearts to your word as we bow down on this sacred ground. Give us holy awe as the light of your truth washes over us and makes us new. Amen.

### Scripture

New Testament

John 20:1-31

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 108-109

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "Subversion of Death"

Rev. Chris Thomas

\*Hymn #667 "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

### Affirmation of Faith

Based on Philippians 2:6-11

Though Jesus existed in the form of God, He did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death— even death on a cross. Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen!

### Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

### Offertory

\*Doxology Hymn #609 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Lord we are so grateful for your faithful goodness toward all of creation. Thank you for new life! Thank you for hope! Thank you for your transformative power on display for nearly 2000 years in the Church. Take our offering this morning as a sign of our desire to be faithful to all your plans. Make all that we are an offering for the world. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn #826 "Lift High the Cross!"

### Charge and Benediction

**Postlude**

**Julia Hull**

**Assisting with worship today: Worship Leader Vicki Lyles; Usher/Greeter Dessalee Cook; AV Setup Gerry Jackson; Sound Randy Cook**

**Spring Flower Sale-**

We have our annual hanging baskets, combination as well as gift cards for \$25. Orders must be turned in next Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Flowers and cards will be here for Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day). Money is due before delivery.



Monthly summary	Average budgeted needs	Income received
March	\$6,102.00	\$6,941.00

**Outreach Team**

**Traverse Place-Thank you for your donations.**



**Congregational Care Team**

**Coffee and Fellowship**

Please join us for Coffee, snack and some fellowship at 10:30am each Sunday.



**Volunteers needed.**

Volunteers are needed for Worship, Coffee, and Baby Pantry. God appreciates all you do and so do we.

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - [haneline526@gmail.com](mailto:haneline526@gmail.com) or 248-894-3489.

**Prayer Concerns**

Please remember to pray for Pastor Chris and his family, and our church, every day.



With joy and pride, we announce the birth of Broady & Dessalee Cook's first grandchild, Bronson Michael. Born April 2nd weighing 8lbs. 5oz. and 20in. long. Proud parents are Chris Manuszak and Bronwyn Cook.

**For healing:** Tim McLaughlin (Sherry's husband) shoulder replacement; Bill & Rose (biological dad of Julie Schram) Bill has a hiatal hernia and needs surgery and Rose has health issues; Aletheia Thomas knee; Mary Renico broken hip recovery; Micah Swanson (Sherry's second cousin) has been diagnosed with testicular and bladder cancer started treatment; Jennifer Cotaling (Randy Cook' sister-in-law) diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.; Mike Schettling (Tom Schettling's cousin) cancer, same age as Tom; Won Chea (Tom Schettling's brother-in-law) treatment stomach cancer; Tom Schettling; Penny Schettling; Jerry Watkins (Laura Parker's dad).

**Ongoing prayers:** Alex Searfoss (great grandson of Donna Miller) Third degree burns over 40% of his body.; Mike Pelton, Don Neuville, Steve in FL, and Jim Killewald.

**Prayers for those suffering:** for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, and/or addiction.



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### Mark your calendar

Sun Apr 20<sup>th</sup> 10:30am Coffee  
11:15am Worship-Easter Sunday  
Wed Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> 6:30pm Zumba-GP  
Sun Apr 27<sup>th</sup> 10:00am Bible Study  
10:30am Coffee  
11:15am Worship