

MARCH 31, 2024, 10:30 AM EASTER SUNDAY

GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

Easter Processional

David Johnson arr. Douglas W. Anderson

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

arr. Humphrey Turner

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Ray Hack

This day is like every other day.

Alarm clocks beeped. Covers were removed. Coffee was brewed. Weary bodies came to life.

And yet this day, is like no other day—

For the sun rose, and we knew it was a miracle.

The tomb was empty, and they knew it was love.

So again and again we say—

The longest night is over. Death has lost its sting. Jesus is among us. Alleluia! Amen.

Again and again and again—

Alleluia! Amen.

| HYMN OF PRAISE | Jesus Christ Is Risen Today | Hymn 232 |
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- † CALL TO CONFESSION
- † PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed, and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given n Jesus Christ, the risen Lord.

- † DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS
- † THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

† CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE Gloria Patri Hymn 581

THE WORD

TIME FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL READING Mark 16:1-8

SERMON Again & Again, The Sun Rises Rev. Emily Cooper

† HYMN Thine Is Thy Glory Hymn 238

† AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

We know the fear of the upper room. We know the feeling of hard days and long nights. We know the grief of the tomb, and the particular ache of saying goodbye. We know the pain of Good Friday, and we know the darkness before dawn. And still, and still, we believe. We believe that again and again, the sun will rise. Again and again, God will draw near. Again and again, we will march toward justice. Again and again, the tomb will be empty. Again and again, love will win. Again and again, God will lead the church. Again and again, and again and again, we will be loved. The journey will not be perfect. We will need to rise before dawn. We will need angels along the way. But again and again, the sun will rise. We believe. Amen.

GIVE THANKS TO GOD

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright
Chancel Choir

Hal H. Hopson

† DOXOLOGY Hymn 606

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

SHARING THE JOYS AND CONCERNS OF THE CONGREGATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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GO IN GOD'S NAME

† SENDING HYMN The Day of Resurrection Hymn 233

† CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE VICTORY – The Strife is O'er Giovanni Palestrina arr. Michael Helman

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WORSHIP NOTES

OUR GUEST MUSICIANS for today's worship service are Gabi Boudreaux and Sarah Cisney

VISITORS, please **complete a visitor card found** in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate. We are glad to have you worship with us!

WE RECORD OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP ATTENDANCE. We invite each member of your family in attendance to sign the friendship pad at the end of each pew. We are glad to have you worship with us!

EASTER PARAMENTS

The Easter paraments depict a rising sun - one of many symbols for resurrection. The deep darkness of death is overcome by the new life promised on Easter day. The rising sun also evokes the story of that first Easter when, early in the morning, on the first day of the week (Sunday), disciples came to the empty tomb and a new day dawned!

PERSONAL PRIVACY DURING LIVESTREAM OF SUNDAY WORSHIP

It is important for our members, guests, and visitors to be aware that we livestream our worship service. If you are joining us for in person worship but prefer not to appear on the livestream video, we have 2 specific areas in the sanctuary where you can sit comfortably and not appear on the video. The first area is the left transept on the main floor and the second is the center balcony area. An usher will be happy to help you find these areas.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

GLENSHAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE

The Deacon sponsored blood drive is **SUNDAY, APRIL 14** FROM 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Kings Hall. It is suggested you make an appointment by either going to vitalant.org and searching with Account Code UG0010070 or by zip code or you may call VITALANT directly at 1-877-25VITAL. Myron McGoun will also be happy to assist you or answer any questions. More details can be located in this week's Tuesday Tidings weekly email. The following fact may help you decide the importance of signing up to donate... Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood! THANK YOU FOR GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE!

CHURCH LIFE MURDER MYSTERY

The Church Life Committee is pleased to announce our next event – a dinner theatre murder mystery ("Café Murder")* and potluck dinner! All members are invited! Members of the church will put on an interactive murder mystery show and afterwards, the audience will ask questions of the cast, then vote on 'who dunnit'! The event is planned for **Saturday, April 27**, at 5 pm in Kings Hall. We'll start with Dinner at 5:30, followed by the Murder Mystery at 6:15, then Dessert provided by the Committee at 7:00. We ask each member/family to bring a side, salad or main dish to serve 8-10. Sign ups will begin Palm Sunday, March 24 through April 21. The sign-up sheet will be on the table in the narthex. Please join us for an evening of fun with your church family!

*A Dinner Theater Murder Mystery by Nathan Hartswick, Produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Service, Inc., Denver, Colorado

DEACON REQUEST

Beginning **APRIL 28** through JULY 7, we will be collecting your unwanted household treasures (excluding clothing) for the upcoming open air flea market scheduled for July 20. Thank you for saving your items for the Deacon's ongoing work!

Easter Flowers

To the glory of God...

Given by Tom and Audrey Clifton Given by Donna Repic

Given by The Tabors Given by Carla Berg

Given by Harry and Sherry Crenner Given by Kathy Poole

Given by Janet and Chick Pfeiffer Given by Frank and Tootsie Maksin

In memory of...

Thomas W. Golightly Given by Carolyn J. Jones

My GrandparentsGiven by Debbie Vita

Frank E. Jenkins, Jr. Given by Frank E. Jenkins, Jr. Family

Ruth Cridge and Marion Biles Given by Al and Lois Cridge

Barry's sister, Diane Jane's brother, Bo Given by Jane and Barry Hackett

Jim RichardsonGiven by Alain Richardson

My SuzGiven by her favorite bunny

Carl RueterGiven by Lynn Rueter and the Vallo Family

Carrie Vallo

Given by Steve, Marykay, and Dylan Vallo

Joseph Vita

Given by Tracy, Joey, and Jimmy Vita and the Vallo Family

James and Lois Condie Given by Marykay, Steve, and Dylan Vallo **Marjorie Grabowski**Given by The Hastings Family

Donald J. Jr. and Dorothy J. Zahniser Given by Son, Keith Zahniser and Family

Margaret Duderstadt Given by Daughter, JoAnn Zahniser and Family

Donald J. Zahniser IIIGiven by Brother, Keith Zahniser and Family

Beloved Members of the Farbacher and Repic Families Given by Donna Repic

Our parents, Pearl and Dean Orr and Evan Thomas Given by Doug and Anne Orr

Helen and Elton McGoun Given by their children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren

Grace and Russell McGoun
Given by The McGoun and Richardson
Families

Our parents, Joseph and Marion Wolfe Bob and Hazel Crynack Given by Bob and Sandy Crynack

Winnie Kobus Given by Kathy Poole

Joe Kobus Given by Kathy Poole Bonnie Giel

Given by Kathy Poole

Those no longer with us

Given by Frank and Tootsie Maksin

Grandparents: Bob and Hazel Crynack,

Joe and Marion Wolfe

Given by Ron and Carrie

Child: Dustin

Given by Ron and Carrie

Lee Scott Stauffer, our husband, dad, and pap-pap Given by his family

Ruth and John Williams

Given by Marcy Hammann

Charles and Mildred Sonberger

Given by Marcy Hammann

Ellen and Joseph Luther

Given by Marcy Hammann

Jack and Betty Hartman

Given by Marcy Hammann

In honor of...

My family

Given by Debbie Vita

Isabella, Lily, and Rose Florentine and Marissa Rutherford

Given by Al and Lois Cridge

Our children and grandchildren

Given by Jane and Barry Hackett

Bill, Max, Piper, and Will

Given by Ann Carlson

Our children, our grandchildren, and our great-grandchildren

Given by Bob and Sandy Crynack

All of us

Given by Frank and Tootsie Maksin

Our children Emily and Brad, Karen and Chris, and Claire

Given by Bruce and Aline Raines

Our granddaughter, Kacie

Given by Bruce and Aline Raines

Parents: Don and Mary Ann Brant

Bob and Sandy Crynack

Given by Ron and Carrie

Children: Logan, Cassidy, Savanah,

and Lindsay

Given by Ron and Carrie

All of the musicians who made Holy

Week special. Thank you!

Given by the Adkins Family

Welcoming all who seek to know God, Glenshaw Presbyterian Church invites individuals and families to join in our journey of faith as we share the love of Jesus Christ with one another, the community, and the world.



The GPC Session

Sherry Martin, Clerk of Session

| Class of 2024 | Class of 2025 | Class of 2026 |
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| Brian Helfferich | Mark Held | Ray Hack |
| April Klein | Sherry Martin | Betty Miller |
| Chick Pfeiffer | Donna Walker | Tom Tabor |

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