



First Baptist Church in Beverly

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Easter Sunday

"Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen!"
— Luke 24:5

Welcome to Worship at First Baptist Church in Beverly!

We welcome you to Easter worship this morning. We are so pleased to gather with you! Please feel free to fill out one of our Here We Gather cards in the pew rack, or speak with Julie Flowers or Daniel Johnson, following worship.

There are Prayer Request cards in the pew rack in front of you. If you would like to take a moment to fill one out with a prayer concern you would like shared or like the ministers to know, please do so, and then place it in the offering plate when they are passed. Prayer concerns that should be kept for ministers only should have that designation written on them.

Prayground news for children! We encourage children in Grade 1 and above to make use of the Prayground space at the front of the Sanctuary to worship. The Prayground is a child-friendly place for the quiet enjoyment of worship. A care and learning experience for preschool and Kindergarten-age children is provided throughout our service in the Littlest Learners room on the main level, located through the double doors at the front of the sanctuary. Care for infants and toddlers (all children 2 and under) is provided throughout worship in our Infant/Toddler Room across from the rear sanctuary doors. All adults who work with our children have been CORI-checked. We always encourage families and caregivers to do what is best for their child and their family during the worship time.

Youth Pew and Class! We encourage our youth in Middle School and High School to enjoy worship together with peers in our youth pew at the front of the sanctuary. Our Youth Sunday School Class meets twice monthly and will next meet on Sunday, April 27th immediately following worship.

Devices to assist with hearing are available for those who have a need. A Deacon will be happy to assist you and provide one.

*Indicates Congregation Standing As They Are Able

For more information on these and other programs of the church check the QR Code on the pew card in front of you or www.fbcbeverly.org!



Text Message Reminders from First Baptist Church!

Scan this QR code or text FBCTEXTSNOW to 724-361-6388 if you would like to opt in to receive text message updates, reminders, and alerts from First Baptist directly to your phone.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Church office will be closed on Monday, April 21 for Patriot's Day..

Upcoming Events This Week:

Zoom Coffee Hour - Thursday at 10:00 a.m.

Celebration Ringers - Thursday at 6 p.m.

Sanctuary Choir - Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Lectio Divina - Friday at 5:00 p.m.

Twerties Cooking Event at Tastebuds Kitchen - Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Men's Fellowship Ribs BBQ - Saturday at 5:30 p.m.
at Ron Brennan's home (6 Baker Avenue)

Be sure to save the following dates:

- ◆ Comedy Night Fundraiser for FBC Summer Service Trip on Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00 p.m. at Off Cabot
- ◆ Women's Fellowship Culinary Adventure - Wednesday, April 30 at 6:15 p.m. at Tastebuds Kitchen
- ◆ Punto Urban Art Museum Field Trip - Sunday, May 4 following worship.
- ◆ FBC Women's Retreat from Friday, May 30 through Sunday, June 1 at Grotonwood.

ORDER OF WORSHIP EASTER SUNDAY

April 20, 2025

10:00 a.m.

Tolling of the Hour

Upon hearing the bells, all are invited to a time of quiet preparation for worship.

Easter Greeting

Rev. Julie Flowers

(If you have not yet had the opportunity to turn off your cell phone, please do so now)

A Moment of Preparation

G.F. Handel

Processional on Hallelujah Chorus
Celebration Ringers

Responsive Call to Worship

Daniel:

We come this morning with hearts bursting with joy! This is a day when hope is on the move!

Congregation:

This is the day of resurrection! This is a day that renews our spirits, as we rejoice in God's power to overcome powers of darkness, hurt, hate, and even death!

Julie:

The tomb stands open and empty; the stone at its door rolled away!

Daniel:

We stand in awe, realizing that we ought not seek the living among the dead.

Choir:

We pour out our joy! We cannot hold back from rejoicing!

Julie: Beloveds of God, Christ is risen!

Congregation: *Alleluia! Christ is risen, indeed!*

Daniel: Out of our moments of restlessness over these past days, from the journey that carried us from the shadows of Maundy Thursday through the sorrows of Good Friday to the solitude of Holy Saturday, we come this day – out of our grief, new life springs forth!

Congregation: *We welcome you this day, Risen One!*

Julie: No tomb, no stone, no doors, no hard words, no acts of brokenness or hate can hold back the power of God's incredible love. Love is alive! Love is still here!

Daniel: We welcome you this day, Risen One!

Choirs: *We welcome you with Alleluias, with shouts of joy, and with songs!*

Julie: So come, lifting our Alleluias!

Daniel: Come, lifting our voices in song, joining together to sing our opening hymn, number 216, *Christ the Lord is Risen Today!* Come, and let us worship!

***Hymn 216**

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

Jenny Lane

***Invocation, Lord's Prayer,
and Glory Be to God (pg. 37)**

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, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Our Mom

by Team Buttercup

Our Parents, Edward & Lucille Brindle and Norma & Bob Barbin

by Anne & Brad Barbin

Isaac Riel Smith

by Vici Riel Smith

Louise and Elaine Sangster

by The Armstrong, Johnstone, and McCay Families

The Sullivans and My Mother, Lois Collins

by Charles, Arlene and Michael Collins

June & Allan Walch and Paul & Joan Constantine

by Pam & Dave Constantine

Phyllis & Raymond Wilber

by The Armstrong, Johnstone, and McCay Families

Willa Williams and Doug Johnstone

By The Armstrong Johnstone Family

In Celebration of:

The Coming of Spring

by Liz & Tom Crean

Memorial Donations

Jan & Ed Armstrong

by The Armstrong, Johnstone, and McCay Families

Trevor Barbin

by The Armstrong Johnstone Family

Luke Loughhead Gubbins

by The Armstrong Johnstone Family

Bettie & Larry Loughhead and their grandsons, Stephen and Luke

By Beth, Jim, Anna Mei and Matthew

Barbara & "Buzz" Busineau and Sally Balisciano

by Deb & Bob Blanchard

Dr. Alan W. Carlson

By Colby, Jessica, Brian, Heidi, Wendy, Tim and Sandy

Betty & Harold Clark

by The Armstrong, Johnstone, and McCay Families

Rev. Donald A. Fonda, Jr.

by His Wife, Jeanne

Ronnie Innocenti

by His Family

Loved Ones

by The Boccia and Hersey Families

Loved Ones

by Dianne & Rich Cashman

Loved Ones

by Liz & Tom Crean

Loved Ones

by Elly & Walter Flowers

Loved Ones

by Walter & Elly Flowers

Loved Ones

by Jeanne Fonda

Loved Ones

by Eva, Dan, Grace, Luke, and Cole Oliveira

My husband, Bob Mancini

by Laura Stanton

Charles H.L. Manuel, Jr.

by Olive & Joe Boccia

My Dad, Bert Allen, and Bill Blanchard, III

by Sarah Blanchard

My Dad

By Phyllis Tremblay

Glory be to God and to the Christ and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Special Music

R. Nagy

Jesus Is Risen! Alleluia!

Easter Pop-up Choir

Jesus is risen! Alleluia! New life is born on Easter Day. Jesus was crucified, and buried the day He died, but God would not let Him stay that way. Easter Day! Jesus is risen! Alleluia! Risen to life on Easter Day. See how the tomb is bare and see now there's no one there, for Jesus is risen from the grave. Easter Day! Joyful celebration! For Jesus, the King of all creation. He will live forever, and with Him we'll be, delighted, reunited; you're invited. Jesus is risen! Alleluia! Go tell the world along the way: He died to pay the price, to offer us paradise; Believe, and your sins are rolled away. Easter Day! Joyful celebration! For Jesus, the King of all creation. He will live forever, and with Him we'll be delighted, reunited; you're invited. Jesus is risen! Alleluia! New life is born on Easter Day, Jesus was crucified, and buried the day He died, but God would not let Him stay that way. Easter Day!

Stepsitters

Dr. Daniel Johnson

The Ordinance of Baptism

Rev. Julie Flowers

Liliana Kay Ames

Jackson Maurice Ducharme

Maizy Grace D.

Nicholas Jerome Karaganis

Josephine Wessel Sykes

Emmett Alexander Flowers

Tyler LaPlante, who was baptized on Easter Sunday 2024
will light a candle after each new believer is baptized.

Bell Anthem

In Splendor and Praise
Celebration Ringers

J. Krug

Scripture Reading

John 20:1-16

Dr. Daniel Johnson
Pew Bible pg. N.T. 88

Easter Prayer***Hymn 234**

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Kelsey Belis

DIADEMATA

Easter Meditation

"Still Here"

Dr. Daniel Johnson

Musical Response

W. J. Gaither and D. Daniels

I've Just Seen Jesus

Mary-Alexandra Onstad and Bruce Redington, soloists

We knew He was dead, "It is finished," He said. We have watched as His life ebbed away. Then we all stood around 'til the guards took Him down. Joseph begged for His body that day. It was late afternoon; we went down to the tomb, left His body, and sealed up the grave. Oh, I know how you feel; His death was so real. But, please listen, and hear what I say; I've just seen Jesus! I tell you He's alive! I've just seen Jesus, our precious Lord, alive! And I knew He really saw me too, as if 'til now, I've never lived. All that I've done before won't matter anymore; I've just seen Jesus, and I'll never be the same again! It was His voice she first heard: Those kind gentle words, asking what was her reason for tears. And I sobbed in despair, "My Lord is not there!" He said "Child it is I; I am here!" I've just seen Jesus! I tell you He's alive! I've just seen Jesus, our precious Lord, alive! And I knew He really saw me too, as if 'til now, I've never lived! All that I've done before won't matter anymore; I've just seen Jesus and all I've ever done before won't matter anymore; I've just seen Jesus, and I'll never be the same again!

Offering

Call to Giving
Offertory

Rev. Julie Flowers
A. Pote

Rejoice in the Risen Christ

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again. Alleluia, hearts to heaven and voices raise. Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise. He who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled. Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead. Christ is risen, alleluia, risen, from the grave. Awake, arise, lift up your voice, let Easter music swell. Rejoice in Christ, again rejoice, and on His praises swell. Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

 *Doxology (48) *Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all creatures here below; praise Holy Spirit evermore; one God, triune, whom we adore. Amen.*

***Hymn 218**

MACCABEUS

Thine is the Glory

Benediction**Postlude**

C.M. Widor

Toccata from Organ Symphony No. 5

The Tulips and Lilies decorating the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of or in honor of those whose names are listed below.

Kristen Lee Anastasi

by Beth Garry

Trevor Barbin

Love, Mom, Dad, Emma, Dwight and Faith

Elly Gram Beaton

By Colby, Jessica, Brian, Heidi, Wendy, Tim and Sandy

Barbara & Bill Blanchard

by Dan, Laura, Jason and Claire Bitler

Barbara, Bill and Billy Blanchard

by Deb & Bob Blanchard