

FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*As a community of Christ's disciples, we joyfully participate
in Christ's mission of love and peace, transformation and hope.*



Mary at the Tomb
Wesley, Frank 1923-2002

APRIL 5, 2026
8:15 & 11:00 AM
EASTER SUNDAY

CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

INTROIT

Up From the Grave He Arose

Robert Lowry

*Low in the grave He lay Jesus my Savior! Waiting the coming day Jesus my Lord!
Up from the grave He arose with a mighty triumph o'er His foes.
He arose a Victor from the dark domain and He lives forever with His saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Rev. Dr. John Bell and Rev. Cheryl Khyllep

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Do not be afraid; I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.

He is not here; for He has been raised. Alleluia!

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Let us worship our abundant God of endless hope!

*HYMN 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

WELCOME

Rev. Khyllep

INVITATION 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. 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 in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE (11:00)

Sam Harding

Children attending Kids' Church may meet Mrs. Patterson in the Narthex.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Jeremiah 31:1-6 (OT, pg. 733)

Addie Hunter (8:15)

Amy Stabingas (11:00)

John 20:1-18 (NT, pg. 114)

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Up from the Grave, He Arose!

Rev. Dr. Bell

*HYMN 251

Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia

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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

1 Cor. 15:1-6; Mark 16:9 (16:1-9); Matt. 16:16; Rev. 22:13; John 20:28

This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day, and that He appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.

**We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end;
He is our Lord and our God. Amen.**

***GLORIA PATRI**

***Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.***

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Rev. Khylllep

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERING

Please complete a connect card and place it in the offering plate.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

The Spirit of God Like a Fire is Burning

arr. Mack Wilberg

*The Spirit of God like a fire is burning!
The latter-day glory begins to come forth;
the visions and blessings of old are returning,
and angels are coming to visit the earth.*

*We'll sing and we'll shout with the armies of heaven,
Hosanna, hosanna to God and the Lamb!
Let glory to them in the highest be given,
henceforth and forever, amen and amen!*

*We'll sing and we'll shout with the armies of heaven,
Hosanna, hosanna to God and the Lamb!
Let glory to them in the highest be given,
henceforth and forever, amen and amen!*

*How blessed the day when the lamb and the lion
shall lie down together without any ire.
And Ephraim be crowned with his blessing in Zion,
as Jesus descends with His chariot of fire.*

*The Lord is extending the Saints' understanding,
restoring their judges and all as at first.
The knowledge and power of God are expanding;
the veil o'er the earth is beginning to burst.*

*We'll sing and we'll shout with the armies of heaven,
Hosanna, hosanna to God and the Lamb!
Let glory to them in the highest be given,
henceforth and forever, amen and amen!*

***DOXOLOGY**

LAASST UNS ERFRUEN

***Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!***

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Rev. Dr. Bell

***HYMN 238**

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Rev. Dr. Bell

***CHORAL BLESSING**

Hallelujah Chorus from Messiah

George Frideric Handel

***POSTLUDE**

The Day of Resurrection

arr. Stephen DeCesare

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** Please stand as you are able*

This Morning's Music: *Resurrection* portrays in freely structured fragments the four aspects of the resurrection: LAMENT combines the liturgical mourning of the plainsong, *Vinea mea electa* (O my vineyard, I planted and tended thee...and thou hast prepared a cross for thy Savior), with an expression of contemporary grief. THE RISING grows quietly from this grief, using twelve-tone rows and techniques to express its cosmic nature. THE ECSTASY develops an alleluia strain with embellishments not unlike those used in the music of the Age of Aquarius. REFLECTION combines the liturgical rejoicing of the plainsong introit for Easter Day, *Haec dies* (This is the day which the Lord has made), with the alleluia fragments. It is hoped that the music conveys a fresh vision of the historic resurrection of Jesus Christ with a prayer for the resurrection of the consciousness that reflects and implements His ministry.

Participants Today

The Rev. Dr. John Bell, Interim Pastor (john@fcpc.us)
The Rev. Cheryl Khylllep, Covenant Associate Pastor (cheryl@fcpc.us)
Addie Hunter, Liturgist (8:15)
Amy Stabingas, Liturgist (11:00)
Fox Chapel Presbyterian Church Chancel Choir
S.C. Toe, Minister of Music (sc@fcpc.us)
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Sam Harding, Director of Christian Education and Youth Ministry (sam@fcpc.us)
Barbara Patterson, Kids' Church Leader
Howard Havlicsek, Audio Engineer
Alex Shroyer, Livestream (alex@fcpc.us)
Nellie Boehm, Caretaker (nellie@fcpc.us)

FCPC Easter Ensemble

Steve Goldbach, Michelle Kenyon, Hector Marchant, Keegan McLean, Jorge Naranjo, Oscar Shih

For Children and Families

Children of all ages are welcome to remain in worship with their families. We provide the following opportunities for children and families during 11:00 Worship:

Children ages 3 to 5th grade are invited to sign up for Kids' Church prior to worship near the entry to the Sanctuary. Children will be called to the front of the Sanctuary for a Children's Message during worship. Following the Children's Message, children will be led to Kids Kingdom (Lowest Level), where parents/guardians can pick them up following worship.

Nursery care is available for ages 0-3 in Kids Kingdom (Lowest Level).

The Comfort Space is available in Room 107 (near the main entrance) to comfort or feed a child and watch the worship service via livestream.

Chancel Flowers

The chancel flowers today are given to the glory of God and in memory of John Pickett by Wilberta Pickett.

HEARING DEVICES are available in the Sanctuary. Ask an usher for assistance.

If you have a hearing aid that has the T-Coil activated, please ask for a T-Coil neckloop receiver.

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