

John Knox Presbyterian Church
Resurrection of the Lord
April 5, 2026



GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

**Those who are able, please stand*

CHORAL PRELUDE

The Day of Resurrection

Thomas Matthews

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Threefold Easter Salutation

The Lord is risen!
He is risen indeed!
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***HYMN 232**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

God has opened the gates of righteousness
that we may enter through them.
Confident in God's love, let us confess our sin.

**Lord Jesus, through the power of the Holy Spirit
we have been raised from the waters of baptism
to share in your glorious resurrection.
Yet we have not lived as Easter people.
We are unsure of your promise,
confused about your will,
and afraid in the face of danger.
Like Mary, we weep at the tomb,
but do not recognize your presence.
Call us by name, risen Lord,
that we may know you with confidence.
Whenever we are tempted to fear death,
give us courage to confess your Easter victory.
Whenever we are distracted by petty conflicts,
keep our minds on your reconciling love.
Whenever we are overwhelmed by the power of evil,
reveal again to us your triumph over
the destructive powers of oppression.**

**Forgive us our sin
and let our lives be a testimony to your salvation
through the love of God
and the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Silent Confession

***LORD, HAVE MERCY**

***Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy; Christ have mercy;
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Listen friends:
God who raised Jesus from the dead
has not given us over to death!
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

***RESPONDING IN PRAISE**

Hymn 582, v.1

Sing twice

***Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.***

LIFE AND WORK AT JOHN KNOX

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

A TIME FOR CHILDREN

Susan Felton

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 20:1-18
Pew Bible p. 882-883

The grass withers, the flower fades,
The Word of our God will stand forever.

SERMON

"Darkness Shattered"

Ewen Holmes

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***HYMN 238**

Thine Is the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

A Brief Statement of Faith

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.**

**Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
 suffering the depths of human pain
 and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
 vindicating his sinless life,
 breaking the power of sin and evil,
 delivering us from death to life eternal.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

Offertory Anthem

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Gilbert M. Martin

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right, and our greatest joy,
to give you thanks and praise . . .

LORD'S PRAYER ("debts...debtors")

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

GO IN GOD'S NAME

***HYMN 826**

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Hymn 536

Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen, v. 1

**Rise, O church, like Christ arisen, from this meal of love and grace;
may we through such love envision, whose we are and whose our praise.
Alleluia, alleluia: God, the wonder of our days.**

POSTLUDE

Postlude on "Easter Hymn"

Gordon Young

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God and in loving memory
of Jimmy Barnett and Jean & Art Baiden by Annalynn Barnett.

Worship Team

Mark Britt	Luke Browder	Justin Cazel	Jacob deMaine
Susan Felton	Ewen Holmes	Parker Johnson	Kristine Lee
Bobby Mock	Carol Phillips	Scott Reichen	Carter Rief
Caroline Robertson	Ava Watson	Rob Wright	

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Easter Flowers

In Honor of:

Anne & Jerry Peeler by Charlie, Susan, Madison, Chase, Alex and Caroline
Bitsy & Justin Cazel by Pat & Bill Fuller
Chase, Calvin, Hampton and Huey by Peggy Pulver
Evans, Wes and Wyatt Wright by Miller McClintock
Jan & Larry Tepe by the Tepe Family
Kristine Lee by Pat & Bill Fuller
Mary-Neel McClintock by Miller McClintock
My parents, Bob & Janet Sadler, by Susan Felton
Our children, Drew, Elizabeth, Bridget and Jennifer by Dorothy & Ric Benedict
Paul & Kathy Paulsen by the Tepe Family
Super Granna! Libby Pelletier by the Watsons-near and far
The Hendrix Family by Peggy Pulver
The Pulver Family by Peggy Pulver

In Memory of:

Alice & Marion Fuller by Pat & Bill Fuller
Bill Holden by Leslie, Stephanie, Katie and Anne
Bill Holden by Grandsons, William (Gabrielle) and John
Bob Carson by Jo, Kevin and Sue Carson
Bonnie & Karl Feldman by Jean & John Feldman
Bradley Ray by Melissa Long
Charlie & Jean Mitchell by their children
Charlie Walters by Pam Walters
Dana Pelletier, forever missed by Danielle Watson
Deborah Plummer by Jim Plummer
Dennis Harke by Phyllis Harke
Donna Andrews by Owen and Turner Long
Ed Pulver by the Pulver Family
Eric Greenfield by Bitsy Cazel
Erik Olson by Randy & Kitty Olson
George Reiter by Jan Reiter
Greg Yarrison by Carol Yarrison

In Memory of:

Jack & Janice Rosenberg by Jean & John Feldman

John & Frances Rosenberg by Jean & John Feldman

John Williams, my son, by Lynn Williams

Laura Mae & Palmer Howard by Sheen Mitchell

Lynda Brock and Robin Hurst by Peggy Pulver

Marie & Robert Haas by Pat & Bill Fuller

Mary Lou Deering by the Cazels

Mary Lou Deering by Pat & Bill Fuller

Mary Wright by Joan Wright Bourdon

My brothers George and Billy by Ella Miller

Our parents by Jim & Susan Williams

Our sweet Nana – we are always connected by Eli, Samuel, Lizzie, Ava, Ansley, Jack,
Ben, Danielle & Lee Watson

Phillip Brandon by Delores Brandon

Rev. Dr. Alex and Dorothy Holmes by Ewen & Holly Holmes

Roger Bourdon by Joan Bourdon

Steve Sumner by Julie Wolfe

Thom Copeland by Josh, Amy, Campbell and Thomas Ballard

Tom & Donna Gruber by Holly & Ewen Holmes

Tom & Jane Feldman by Jean & John Feldman

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