

Sermon: “And I Hope” Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

SENDING

*Closing Hymn: #240 - “Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks” ALLELUIA NO. 1

*Benediction Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert

*Benediction Response and Postlude:
“Hallelujah Chorus Excerpt” Tom Fettke
(from Easter Morning Alleluias)
Brass Ensemble, Chancel Choir, Handbells, Jim Moore, Organist

WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert
William Bennett—Director of Music
Jennifer Grainger—Director of Spiritual Growth and Outreach
Rebecca Mills—Director of Children’s Ministries and Mother’s Morning Out
Jim Moore—Organist
Handbells, Chancel Choir & Brass Ensemble:
Tom Davol, Angelao Gonzales, Kimber Amweg, Jaden Hart
Liturgist: 8:45 am—Kelli Kemmerer
11:00 am—Sharlene Douthit-Schneidmuller
Elder-In-Charge: 8:45 am—Charlie Harris 11:00 am—Jade Hill
Ushers: 8:45 am—Pat Tolbert, Julie McCormick, Oden, Marylou Semones
11:00 am—Lionel Lawson, Merrillyn Long, Shawn Blunt, Jay Johnson

Flowers—The Easter lilies are given to the Glory of God in honor and in memory of our loved ones. Please see the Easter Honorariums and Memorials insert.

Liturgy adapted from Rev. Sarah A. Speed | A Sanctified Art LLC

TODAY at SPC

Nursery is available 8:30 am-12:15 pm in Room 203

8:45 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)

10:00 am—Sunday School (Education Wing)

There is no Sunday School today.

10:00 am—Contemporary Service (gym)

11:00 am—Traditional Service (sanctuary)


No Joy Kids or Youth Group tonight.

WELCOME

We welcome you to worship this morning! Please fill out the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate during the offering. A map of our campus is available in the pew racks. If you are a guest with us, we invite you to Lanneau Hall following the service to visit the Welcome Center. Please see an usher if you need assistance.

Children and Nursery—Nursery is available in Room 203. We offer two nurseries, one for ages 0-2 years and the other for ages 3-4 year-olds. We kindly ask that children 5 and above not be dropped off in the nursery. Please ask an usher for a pew pal to help occupy your child during the worship service. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Grainger at jenniferg.spc@gmail.com or Rebecca Mills at rebeccam.spc@gmail.com.

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RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
TRADITIONAL WORSHIP SERVICE
Sunday, April 20, 2025



DID YOU
KNOW?

...we have several “Prayer” opportunities. We have a Prayer Meeting every Tuesday at 11:30 am in the Dorchester Room led by Rev. Dr. Ralph Herbert. We also have a Prayer Gathering the second and fourth Tuesdays in the Sanctuary at 6:30 pm facilitated by Fran Harbeson. If you would like more info please contact the church office.

GATHERING		(Time for silent confession)		PROCLAIMING THE WORD	
Please prepare your hearts for worship during the prelude.				Church Family Moment	
Prelude: “Two Easter Hymn Settings” Steve Danyew Brass Ensemble, Handbells and Jim Moore, Organist		Song of Assurance: “The Strife Is O’er” v. 1 & 2 Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The strife is o'er, the battle done; the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!		Jennifer Grainger and Rebecca Mills	
Welcome and Announcements		Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!		Prayer of Illumination:	
*Call to Worship:		The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their legions hath dispersed: let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!		God of new beginnings, as we return to this familiar text, help us to hear differently this morning. Open our ears that we might hear the sound of Alleluias. Open our minds that the joy of Easter might be understood. Open our hearts that we might believe the unbelievable. And like Peter, in this hearing, may we move closer to you, Amen.	
Yesterday we thought death had won. Yesterday we thought all was lost. Yesterday we thought Christ was gone. But not today. Today we know that love has won. Today we know that hope is real. Today we know that Christ is here. We have a reason to hope. We have a reason to sing! Alleluia! Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!		The angels tell the women, “Remember what Jesus told you.” So, church, remember this: In Jesus Christ, grace and mercy abound for you. Friends, believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!		First Scripture Reading: Job 19:25-27 ²⁵ I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth. ²⁶ And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; ²⁷ I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!	
*Opening Hymn: #232 - “Jesus Christ is Risen Today”		Song of Praise: #245 - “Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!” v. 1 & 2 LLANFAIR		This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.	
*Confession and Pardon		"Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia! All creation, join to say: Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!		Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer	
The women come to the tomb, and instead of finding Jesus, they find angels. The angels tell them, “Jesus is not here,” and when that answer is met with confusion, the angels say, “Remember what he told you.” The call to remember is why we need the prayer of confession and these words of forgiveness every single week. We need to hear of God’s grace over and over again.		Love’s redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!		Rev. Dr. Anita K. Herbert	
So friends, let us tell the truth of our lives so that once again we can be reminded that our God is a God of grace, mercy, and love. Let us pray so that we can remember:		*Apostle’s Creed		Musical Offering: “The Day of Resurrection”	
The stone is rolled away! We assume it is a mistake. The angels say, “He is not here!” We assume their news is fake. The women tell the story, but we do not want to hear it. Peter runs to the tomb, but we do not understand. Forgive us, God, for thinking an empty tomb is nothing more than a prank. Forgive us for seeing discarded burial cloths and still holding tight to death. Forgive us for pushing away reasons to hope when You are alive and well in the world. Teach us to see what You see. Unravel the threads of our unbelief. Amen.		I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.		Shelton Ridge Love Brass Ensemble, Chancel Choir, Jim Moore, Organist	
		*Passing the Peace		*Doxology	
		Please introduce yourself as you pass the peace of Christ.		Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below, Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
				*Prayer of Dedication	
				Second Scripture Reading: Luke 24:1-12	
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				But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ² They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³ but when they went in they did not find the body. ⁴ While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵ The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen. ⁶ Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷ that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” ⁸ Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰ Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹ But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹² But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.	

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