



Dreaming of a Butterfly  
Zhuangzi, Chinese Philosopher c. 360 BC

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Resurrection of the Lord

# FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 21, 2019

10:30 a.m.

*Happy Easter! Welcome to Faith Church; we are glad you are here.  
Childcare for infants and preschooler are provided all morning in the nursery,  
the second room on the right through the door by the pulpit.*

## THE CHURCH GATHERS

*The candle is lit as a prayer for peace.*

### Words of Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Mary Barrett Speers

**Prelude** Christ is Lord, Praise His Name

Howard Starks  
(b. 1928)

The Bell Choir

Benedetto Marcello's Psalm XIX

arr. Rich Mays

Brass & Organ

Festival Alleluia

Richard Jeffrey  
(b. 1952)

✦ *Please rise in body or in spirit; unison parts are in bold.*

### ✦ Call to Worship

NaaAtswei Koney

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 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. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again'. Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 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. ~Luke 24: 1-12

### Time with Faith Kids Resurrecting the Alleluias

✦ **Hymn 236** The Strife Is O'er

VICTORY

### Prayer of the Day

**Jesus, in Easter you have brought us new life and new hope. We come to you in grateful prayer and joyful song, because Easter changes lives. We have been frightened people, but because you live, we have courage. We have been lonely people, but because you live, we can love ourselves, and others, in your name. We have been weak people, but because you live, together as your body we are strong to do God's work in the world. May we live our lives as you showed us how to live, forgiving, asking forgiveness, and above all trusting your promise of peace, abundant life, life everlasting. Christ is risen, praise the Lord! Alleluia!**

## Assurance of Pardon

One: ...Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel:

**All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

## ☛ Sung Response 236

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## ☛ Easter Greeting

One: Christ has risen!

**All: Christ has risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### TO PROCLAIM AND EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

#### Sung Prayer for Illumination

Hymn 288 Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

**Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me. (*repeat*)  
melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...  
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.**

**Lesson** 1 Corinthians 15:12-22, 51-58

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One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**Sermon**

"A Butterfly Dreaming"

Rev. Speers

☛ **Hymn 253** Alleluia! Christ Is Arisen

SANTO DOMINGO

### OFFERING

**Offertory** Now Is Christ Risen

George Frideric Handel  
(1685-1759)

arr. Hal H. Hopson  
(b. 1933)

Now is Christ risen. Sing hallelujah, for Christ is risen.  
Rejoice and sing, we shall not die; we shall be raised.  
Thanks be to God, who gives new life, through Christ our Lord.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise God, all creatures high and low.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known:  
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### Offering Prayer

**Almighty God, you who in the Resurrection have given us everything: help us, we beseech you, with all our gifts to yield ourselves unto you; that devoted to you, your children, and your world, we may truly live your abundant life, and in so living find our deepest joy, through Christ Jesus our Risen Lord. Amen.**

### THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Easter usually falls on or near the Jewish feast of Passover, and in the Gospels, the first Lord's Supper was a Passover meal. Adapted from the new (2018) Book of Common Worship of the PCUSA and modeled after the Jewish practice of the youngest child asking four questions at the Passover table, this Communion prayer allows the children of the church to take an active role.*

The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**All: We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**Children: Why do we say it's right to give God thanks and praise?**

**All: God made the whole universe and rescues us from hurting and sadness.**

*...the prayer continues* Therefore we praise you, singing with all the inhabitants of heaven, and with the faithful of every time and place, to the glory of your mighty name:

### Sanctus 556

ROBERTS

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is the one who comes in the Lord's name. Hosanna in the highest.  
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All glory and blessing are yours, Saving God, for in your mercy you gave your own self in the person of Jesus Christ...*the prayer continues*  
...Here, we are one with Jesus in holy Communion every time we share this bread and cup together, until he comes again.

**Children: Why do we eat bread at this table?**

On the night before he was taken, Jesus took bread. After giving thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

**Children: Why do we drink from the cup at this table?**

Later that night, Jesus took the cup, saying: "This is the cup of the new covenant, sealed in my blood, poured out for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in remembrance of me."

**Children: What do we remember at this table?**

We remember the gracious love of God for us, the death and resurrection of Christ for us, and the tender care of the Spirit for us. And remembering all this, we offer ourselves and our gifts for the world, according to our Lord's commandment, not only now, but always, for every time we do this, we proclaim the joyful mystery until he comes.

**Memorial Acclamation 557**

ROBERTS

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.  
Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

**Children: What do we ask God to do at this table?**

Merciful God, pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts from your creation...*the prayer continues*

...And we ask, as Jesus feeds us, for the strength to be his risen body in the world, to serve the world in his name, until the day when you make all things new.

**All: Through Christ, in Christ, with Christ, and for Christ, all glory and honor are yours, almighty God, in beloved community with the Holy Spirit, now and forever; for we pray in the strong name of Jesus, who taught us, when we pray, to say:**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in Heaven hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

**Breaking of the Bread and Pouring the Wine**

**Communion** *(by intinction)* All are invited to the Lord's table, please know that gluten-free, cubed bread is available on each tray, and "wine" is unfermented grape juice. Please come to the front of the sanctuary via the center aisle, take the bread and dip it into the chalice, partake, and return to your seat by way of a side aisle.

## Prayer

One: Bless the Lord, O my soul:

**All: And all that is within me, bless God's holy name!**

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**All: And forget not all God's benefits. God our help: we thank you for this supper shared in the Spirit with your holy child Jesus, who makes us new and strong, who brings us life eternal. We praise you for raising Jesus from the dead, and in that joy, we pledge ourselves in joyful service to the world, pouring out life abundant through Jesus Christ our Risen Lord. Amen.**

## TO GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

👉 **Hymn 232** Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

👉 **Charge to the Congregation and Benediction**

**Choral Response Amen**

Leon Roberts  
(1950-1999)

*The service concludes with the postlude*

**Postlude** Toccata from Symphony No. 5

Charles-Marie Widor  
(1911-1940)

### LEADING WORSHIP TODAY

**Rev. Mary Barrett Speers**, *Interim Pastor*  
**Dr. Samuel Springer**, *Minister of Music*  
**NaaAtswei Koney**, *Liturgist*

**The Chancel Choir**  
**The Bell Choir**

**Humberto Henriquez**, *trumpet*  
**Janelle Stewart**, *trumpet*  
**Scott Ullman**, *French horn*  
**Tionne Blackwell**, *trombone*  
**Keith Flemming**, *tuba*

## FAITH FAMILY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Egg Hunt** You are invited! Following worship on the front lawn.

**Sunday Adult Forum** 9:15 a.m. Woodmont Room

April 28 – Trees! An Earth Day forum led by **Zoë Clarkwest**, Executive Director of "Flowering Tree Trails." She has spent her career in landscape design focusing on working with communities to achieve aesthetic, functional, and meaningful restoration projects.

### **Tree Planting in Memory of Randy Woodfield**

On Sunday, April 28, Earth Sunday following worship there will be a short service of worship including remembrances and the planting of a Southern Magnolia.

**Wednesday Bible Study:** 11:00 a.m. Woodbourne Room, all are welcome. Join us for lively discussion on the upcoming Sunday lesson. No preparation is required.

### **Yoga at Faith** Wednesdays 2:00-3:15 The Chapel

Gentle Yoga class is led by certified instructor, **Leanora Eubanks**. All are welcome, experienced or new to yoga. \$40/4 sessions or \$12.50/drop in. For more information call the church office 410-435-4330.

### **Habitat Workdays**

Habitat Workdays are **April 26** and **May 4, 11, 24**, with more dates in June. There is a maximum of 5 people per day. Contact **Natalie Wallace** if you can work any of the dates. Nrew62@msn.com or 410-207-7190. *Seeking to put God's love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities, and hope.*

### **Book Club** Monday, April 29 7:00 p.m.

Please note that this is the 5th Monday of the month instead of our usual 4th which is Easter Monday. We will be reading *The Winter Soldier* by **Daniel Mason**. "A sweeping unforgettable love story of a young doctor and nurse at a remote field hospital in the First World War." This book comes highly recommended by several Faith Church folk. We will meet at the Nesbitts' at 7 PM. Everyone is welcome.

**Joys and Concerns** may be written before the service in a special book in the narthex. The book will be brought to the Pastor before the prayers of the people.

### **Please pray for our homebound members**

Betty Bunce, Nan Pohl, Nancy Stutzer

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### **Session**

Mike Billings, Clerk

2019  
Kay Ballard  
Andy Fuller  
Neil Nemser

2020  
Mike Billings  
Scott Bissett  
Bobby Hall  
Carl Herber

2021  
Ellsworth Jackson  
Karen Meyers  
Mike Shirey  
Audrey Trapp

# **Faith in the City**

Seeking • Standing • Serving

Contact us for more information about Faith's mission  
in the City of Baltimore and around the world.

## **Thank You!**

To everyone who donated to the Easter Flowers, the DEAR Fund, Bread Fund, and Music Fund.

## **DEAR Fund**

The DEAR Fund was created by Faith's Board of Deacons to provide emergency financial assistance to any Faith Church member. A member may contact a committee member, the pastor, or the parish administrator to request assistance. An application is filled out confidentially and the committee lets the member know if the request is approved and the amount. Please consider contributing to this important fund; check DEAR Fund on pew envelope or in the memo of your check.

## **The Bread Fund**

The Bread Fund is used to provide food-oriented support for our neighbors in need. This fund provides Thanksgiving baskets to needy families as well as to provide food for events at Harford House. Please consider contributing to this important fund; check Bread Fund on pew envelope or in the memo of your check.

## **Music Fund**

The donations to the Music Fund are used to support Faith's music ministry including special musicians and purchasing choral music. Please consider contributing to this important fund; note Music Fund in the memo of your check.

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