



## Resurrection of The Lord / Easter Sunday April 17, 2022, 11:00 am

### Welcome to Oakmont Presbyterian Church!

*We are pleased to have you join us for worship today.  
So that you may feel at home with us, please note the following:*

**Visitor Parking** spaces may be found in the Dogwood Way parking lot and across the street in the Oak Ridge Condo upper and lower parking lots.

**The Nursery** is available for use as a cry room. Ask Ushers for directions.

**Large Print Bulletins** and **Children’s Worship bags** are available from the ushers.

To preserve the atmosphere of worship, **please silence all electronic devices.**

**An asterisk (\*)** in the worship liturgy indicates that all may stand in body or spirit.

**Hearing Assistance** - Our sanctuary has two options for those needing hearing assistance: **receivers with headphones** which are available from the AV Team at the soundboard and **Bluetooth/WiFi Assisted Listening System** for use with smartphones (headphones or earbuds required) or Bluetooth hearing aids. *To utilize the Bluetooth/WiFi system:* 1) join the sanctuary WiFi network – OPCAV; 2) enter the password Oak\$\$1522 3) on your smart phone download WaveCAST APP from the Google Play or Apple Store; 4) Open WaveCAST app and click on “Service Broadcast.” (If “Service Broadcast” is not listed, fully close the app and try again. Audio will start playing automatically upon selection.

### Reflection in Preparation for Worship

From the very earliest times, the followers of Jesus have asserted that...the cross [of Jesus] is God’s great act of reconciliation..., Calvary is not the place of defeat but the place of victory and of hope for all humanity. In the intensely paradoxical and ironic words of St. John’s Gospel, the gallows was the throne on which God’s Anointed One was ‘lifted up’; the time of crucifixion was the hour in which the Son of man was glorified. (John 20:23, 32)

John Polkinghorne, [Science and Theology: An Introduction](#)

### Prelude

*Fanfare*

*Christ Arose with Alleluia*  
Heinemann

*Easter Fanfare - Christ the Lord Is Risen Today! Alleluia!*

Hillsdale Brass, Percussion, Organ

Milkos Rozsa/arr. by David Heinemann

Robert Lowry/W.A. Mozart/arr. David Clydesdale and David

LLANFAIR/arr. Kevin Hildebrand

### Choral Prelude

*The Day of Resurrection*

Chancel Choir

Thomas Matthews

*The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;  
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal, from earth unto the sky,  
Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.*

*Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see aright  
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light;  
And, list’ning to His accents, may hear so calm and plain  
His own “All hail!” and hearing, may raise the victor strain.*

*Now let the heav’ns be joyful, let earth her song begin,  
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein;  
Let all things seen and unseen, their notes together blend,  
For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end. Alleluia.*

–St. John of Damascus; tr. John M. Neale

Welcome

Steve Crocco

*Leader: Christ is Risen!*

**People: He is risen indeed!**

Please sign, pass and return Friendship Record pads during this time of announcements.

Lighting the Pascal Candle

Steve Crocco and Ronnie Bailey

*Leader: Sisters and brothers in Christ: on this joyous morning, we celebrate that our Lord Jesus passed over from death to life. We join with the whole company of God's people in recalling and celebrating His victory over death, and our deliverance from the bondage of sin and darkness to everlasting light. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ...in Him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it."*

John 1:1, 4-5

**People: Eternal Lord of Life, through Your Son You have given Your people the brightness of Your light. Sanctify this new fire, and kindle in our hearts and minds a holy desire to shine forth with the brightness of Christ's rising until we feast at the banquet of Eternal light; through Jesus Christ, the Son of righteousness. Amen.**

*Leader: [Lighting the Pascal Candle] ...The light of Christ rises in glory, overcoming the darkness of sin and death. Christ is risen!*

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Choral Introit

Chancel Choir, Hillsdale Brass and Percussion

*Let the Alleluias Ring!*

David Lantz III

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the alleluias ring!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Glory to the risen King!  
Over darkness now victorious, from death's prison He is free!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the alleluias ring!*

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the alleluias ring!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! With the saints in heaven sing!  
Christ has risen and redeemed us; from sin's prison we are free.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Let the alleluias ring! Alleluia!*

- Pamela Stewart

Opening Sentences

Steve Crocco

*Leader: Today is the day mystery unfolds.*

**People: We glimpse it at the dawning of light.**

*Leader: We yearn to hear our Lord calling us:*

**People: sister, brother, sibling.**

*Leader: Today we recall again God's trustworthy promise;*

**People: The tomb is empty! The Lord is risen! The enemy of death is destroyed!**

*Leader: We delight, saying: alleluia!*

**People: We wonder, singing: alleluia! We are witnesses shouting: alleluia!**

\*Easter Hymn of Praise *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* Hymnal, No. 123

**Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!**

**Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

**But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky He's king, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

**Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia! Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of the Day (Please remain standing) Steve Crocco

Prayer of Confession Ronnie Bailey

**On this bright and joyful day, we bring our whole selves to You, Great God, honestly naming the truth about our lives. We have acted in ways that cause us shame, judgment, and self-pity.**

....moment of silent prayer

**Risen Lord Jesus, remove from us our veil of tears. Restore us. Renew us. Revive us. In the name of the risen Christ we pray.**

Assurance of Pardon

*Leader: Hear the good news! The Lord is alive! The risen Lord destroys death, conquers sin, and wipes away all shame. We are drenched in radiating mystery: God is with us. Receive the wonderful news: You are made alive in Christ. In Jesus Christ you are restored.*

**People: Alleluia! Amen!**

\*Act of Praise

**Congregation Singing**

*Alleluia*

Sung twice

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

- Text and music Jerry Sinclair

### HEARING GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Steve Crocco

The Lesson

Acts 10:34-43

Pew Bible, NT, page 129

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

The Hymn

*Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks*

Stanzas 1 and 2, *Hymnal* No. 106

**Refrain:**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His Name.**

**Jesus is Lord of all the earth.**

**He is the King of creation. (R)**

**Spread the good news o'er all the earth:**

**Jesus has died and has risen. (R)**

The Response Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 Ronnie Bailey

*Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord is good; God's mercy endures forever.*

**People: Let Israel now declare, "God's mercy endures forever."**

*Leader: The Lord is my strength and my song and has become my salvation.*

**People: Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"**

*Leader: The right hand of the Lord is exalted! The right hand of the Lord acts valiantly!"*

**People: I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord.**

**All: The Lord indeed punished me sorely but did not hand me over to death.**

*Leader: Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them and give thanks to the Lord.*

**People: This is the gate of the Lord; here the righteous may enter.**

*Leader: I give thanks to You, for You have answered me and You have become my salvation.*

**People: The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.**

*Leader: By the Lord has this been done; it is marvelous in our eyes.*

**People: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Time with the Children Ronnie Bailey  
The younger children leave for a time of age-appropriate learning.

The Hymn *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* Stanzas 3 and 4, *Hymnal* No. 106

**Refrain:**

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Give Praise to His Name,**

**We have been crucified with Christ.**

**Now we shall live for ever. (R)**

**Come, let us praise the living God,**

**Joyfully sing to our Savior. (R)**

The Gospel John 20:1-18 Steve Wilson  
Pew Bible, NT, page 114

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon *Lost and Found* Steve Wilson

### RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*Hymn of Response *Celebrate with Joy and Singing* using tune: *ODE TO JOY*

**Celebrate with joy and singing, Alleluia be our song.**

**Jesus Christ has risen to save us, praises to our Christ belong.**

**Through great love has come the victory; life, not death, can be our claim.**

**Let us now declare Christ's greatness, spread good news, proclaim Christ's name.**

**Honor, glory, praise, thanksgiving give we now to God above.**

**With the cross and grave Christ bought us, let us now return that love.**

**By our lives of dedication, as we teach and testify,**

**may we show Christ's love around us, may it grow and purify.**

**Worship now with shouts of gladness, for the Christ, the Holy One,  
on this day of resurrection, for the world new life has won.  
Let us pray and praise the Savior, trust the acts, believe the word.  
Our salvation has been purchased by our loving, risen Lord.**

- Mary Jackson Cathey

The Prayers of the People

Our Prayer Concerns

Steve Crocco

Today's Prayer and 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.**

The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

Call to Offering

Steve Wilson

A Musical Offering

Chancel Choir, Hillsdale Brass, Percussion

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Again*

Philip W.J. Stopford

*Christ the Lord is ris'n again, Christ hath broken ev'ry chain.  
Hark, angelic voices cry, singing evermore on high, Alleluia...*

*He who gave for us His life, who for us endured the strife,  
Is our Paschal Lamb today;*

*We too sing for joy, and say Alleluia!*

*He who bore all pain and loss comfortless up on the cross,  
Lives in glory now on high,*

*pleads for us, and hears our cry.*

*He who slumbered in the grave is exalted now to save;*

*Now through Christendom it rings that the Lamb is King of kings. Alleluia...*

*Thou, our Paschal Lamb indeed, Christ, Thy ransomed people feed;  
Take our sins and guilt away; let us sing by night and day alleluia...*

\*Doxology

using tune: *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

\*Prayer of Dedication

# SENDING INTO THE WORLD

\*Hymn of Dedication

*Christ Arose*

1. Low in the grave He lay- Je - sus, my Sav - ior! Wait - ing the  
 2. Vain - ly they watch His bed- Je - sus, my Sav - ior! Vain - ly they  
 3. Death can - not keep his prey- Je - sus, my Sav - ior! He tore the

*Refrain*  
faster

com - ing day- Je - sus, my Lord!  
 seal the dead- Je - sus, my Lord! Up from the grave He a - rose, With a  
 bars a - way- Je - sus, my Lord! He a - rose,

might - y tri - umph o'er His foes. He a - rose! He a - rose a vic - tor from the

dark do - main, And He lives for - ev - er with His saints to reign. He a -

rit.

rose! He a - rose! He a - rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!

TEXT: Robert Lowry  
 MUSIC: Robert Lowry

CHRIST AROSE  
 6.5.6.4. with Refrain

\*Charge and Benediction

Steve Wilson

Postlude

*An Easter Celebration*

(quoting *Crown Him with Many Crowns* and *Lift High the Cross*)

Hillsdale Brass, Percussion, Organ

arr. Joel Raney

### **WORSHIP NOTES**

**Easter Morning** is an occasion of great joy and renewal. During the days of Easter (Easter-tide), we remember Christ's rising from the tomb, His post-resurrection appearances, His ascension, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. This is the most festive period of the church year. White and gold are the joyous and festive colors used at Easter and throughout the Easter season.

**The Paschal Candle** – represents the risen Christ, who passed from darkness to light, to become *the light* shining in the darkness (John 1:5), and it is the corollary of the pillar of fire in the Hebrew exodus. Traditionally, it is the largest candle used in the church and it stands at a central place. The Paschal Candle is lit throughout the Great Fifty Days (from Easter to Pentecost) and at Baptisms, Funerals or Memorial Services.

**Sharing in the Ministry of Music** this morning: *Hillsdale Brass* – Trumpets: George Arner, Kyle Simpson; Trombones: David Heinemann, Bradley Schmidt, Mark Matty; Percussion – Keith Parton

The funding for the **Hillsdale Brass, percussionist and guest singers** is made possible through your generous contributions to The Friends of Music Fund here at OPC.

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### **Second Sunday of Easter April 24 at 11:00 am – Our Easter Joy Continues**

We continue our celebration of our Lord's Resurrection

Rev. Steve Wilson preaching the message *Resurrection Lives* based on John 20:19-31

Sharing in the Ministry of Music will be the JuBELLation Ringers, Roberta Erickson, Director.

### **Third Sunday of Easter, May 1 – Our Easter Joy Continues**

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship.

Rev. Steve Wilson preaching, *Could You Be Wrong About God?* Based on Acts 9:1-20.

The Chancel Choir will return to the choir loft on Sunday May 1<sup>st</sup>.

## EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you to those who purchased flowers in celebration of Easter.

Marilyn Alexander

in memory of my mother, Blanche Bailey

Robin Almendinger

Craig Amos

in memory of Sondra B. Amos and in honor of William M. Amos

Dixie and Sam Anderson

in honor of Olivia Lidard

Betler Family

in memory of Margaret Lucas

Debbie Blair

in memory of Pam Johnson

Karyn Brooks

in memory of Joshua Cervenak

Buechli Family

in memory of Amby and Betty Bauer, Margie and Pete Young and Betty Buechli

Audrey and Tom Clifton

Robbie and Glenn Connell

in memory of our parents

Marsha and Brett Cuckler

Rob Erdeljac

in memory of Jake

Lin and Don Ewing

Sue Gibbon

in memory of Deborah Gibbon

Diane Harrell

in memory of Betty and Bob Hackett

Nedra Hazlett

in memory of Rob Hazlett

Jan Hepler

in memory of parents and son

Hudack Family

in memory of Ingrid Hudack

Susan Kabazie

Polly and Nick Kokales

in memory of our parents

Marge Kuhn

in memory of Terry Kuhn and Family

Michael Family

in memory of Carl and Patricia Michael and Pickles

Judy and John Murray

in memory of Barbara and Glenn Ride

Clare Oskin

in memory of Lynda D. Oskin Shane

Marian Quigley

in memory of Samuel H. Quigley

Dale S. Remai, Jr.

in memory of Joan Remai and neighbors who have died

Rock Family

Sue Sanford

Debbie Sheppard

in honor of Louise Osselborn

Dot and Steve Shreve

Nancy Sloan

Kay and Rollie Thomas

in memory of Charles P. and Katherine E. Rupert; Charles R. and Carolyn Chase Rupert;  
R. Ray and Mary W. Thomas and M. Stanley Thomas.

Catherine Tress

in honor of Chuck Tress, Zachery Amos, Mitchell Amos (serving in United States military)

Steve Wilson and Diane Rudolph

in memory of Jim and Verna Wilson and Frank and Lois Hall

Jean Wimer

in memory of Beatrice and Joseph Torok and Rita and Bob Wimer

Ellen and Bill Young

in memory of Ellen and Sonny Yakopec; Winnie, Harry and Harry Young, Jr.

Pat Zanella

in memory of Joseph P. Zanella

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**One Great Hour of Sharing** for over 70 years, One Great Hour has provided Presbyterians with a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. In a world of disaster, wars, hunger and oppression, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing are:

- **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA)**, receives 32% of funds raised - OPC supports PDA directly. However, funds collected by One Great Hour greatly add to those donations. PDA works alongside communities as they recover and find hope after devastation due to natural or human-caused disasters. PDA also supports refugees.
- **Presbyterian Hunger Program (PHP)**, receives 36% of amount raised. PHP takes action to alleviate hunger and works to reduce poverty that leads to hunger.
- **Self-Development of People (SDOP)** invests in communities responding to their experience of oppression, poverty and injustice, and educates Presbyterians about the impact of these issues. SDOP receives 32% of funds raised.

One Great Hour of Sharing envelopes are available in the pews through Easter.

**Chancel Flowers** – would you like to place flowers in the sanctuary some Sunday to provide visual beauty to worship? One or two arrangements are welcome each week. They can be placed *in memory of loved ones, in celebration of an event or to honor someone*, and all to the Glory of God. Please call Carla Lowman at 412-826-5914 to reserve your date; give her the info and wording for the bulletin that week. We appreciate your assistance in enhancing the beauty of our sanctuary! **Upcoming Available dates May 1, 22.**

**Becoming a Part of the OPC Family of Faith New Member Gathering** – We at OPC are a diverse group of people who find meaning in gathering together for worship, study and service. Gatherings for those interested in becoming a part of the OPC family of faith will be ***Sundays, April 24, May 1 and 8 from 9:30 am – 10:30 am in the Marie Berg Chapel.*** **New members will be received during worship on Sunday, May 15 during the 11:00 am worship service.** If you are interested or have questions, please contact Steve Wilson at [swilson@oakmontpresby.org](mailto:swilson@oakmontpresby.org) or through the church office at 412.828.5770.

**Your OPC Family Cares About You!** Because there are times when you are ill, in the hospital or in emotional need and we don't know about it, please remember to contact the church office (412.828.5770) or a staff member ([mstecik@oakmontpresby.org](mailto:mstecik@oakmontpresby.org)) so we may support you in your time of need. You are loved!

**Prayer Requests** - Members of our church will pray for you and anyone in need. Please send prayer requests to: [prayers@oakmontpresby.org](mailto:prayers@oakmontpresby.org) or contact Carol Heimerich at 412.242.1028.

**OPC Film Series** - Join us at 7:00 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Brochures are available in the vestibules. **April 22 - *Richard Jewell*** **May 6 - *Harriet***

**Please continue to support our local food banks** through the Deacon's outreach. Donations can be placed in the shopping carts located in the vestibules. Some **especially needed items are: healthy cereals, flour, sugar, cooking oil, spaghetti sauce and toilet paper.**

The Christian Education Committee will be putting on a community “Post-Easter Celebration!” on **Saturday, April 23 from 11:30-1:30.** There will be a community Easter Egg Hunt to start followed by different activity stations that kids are invited to explore. Invite your family and friends! All are welcome.”

The Deacons are collecting T-shirts in April for the Light of Life Ministries. please use the bin at the 5<sup>th</sup> entrance.

Oakmont Musicivic Presents: Bell'Art Ensemble featuring Voice, Violin, Oboe and Piano **Saturday May 7 @ 7:00 pm** - Hosted by Oakmont Presbyterian Church in the sanctuary. Free will offering will be received.

Plan to join us for the

**22nd Annual Jubilant Praise Concert  
Sunday, May 29, 2022 at 4:00 pm**

The Carnegie Brass will return,  
along with the Chancel Choir, Piano and Organ

**Theme: *Homeward Bound* -**

A musical journey of sacred and patriotic selections,  
exploring the many aspects of *Home*.  
And we continue the tradition of the *Armed Forces Medley*  
to recognize those who serve/served our country.

**Additional Parking** may be found across the street in the  
Oak Ridge Condo (opposite corner from the church) in both parking lots  
- upper and lower (limited number of spaces).

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**OPC STAFF**

The Rev. Dr. Stephen Wilson	Pastor
The Rev. Dr. Stephen Crocco	Associate Pastor
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## CHURCH CALENDAR

<b>TODAY</b>	<b>April 17 – Easter Sunday/Festival of the Resurrection of the Lord</b>
9:30 am	Easter Brass Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
10:00 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>WORSHIP (Sanctuary) and Via Livestream</b> and Children during worship (PreK–2 <sup>nd</sup> grade)
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>April 18 (Church Office Closed)</b>
12:00 pm	AA’s (Multi-Purpose Room)
7:00 pm	Boy Scouts Troop #854 (Multi-Purpose Room)
7:15 pm	JuBELLation Ringers Rehearsal (Choir Room)
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>April 19</b>
10:30 am	Finance Meeting (Library)
4:30 pm	Children’s Choir Rehearsal (Lower Level)
6:00 pm	Lions Club Dinner & Meeting (Dining Room/Multi-Purpose Room)
7:00 pm	Deacons (Friendship Hall)
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>April 20</b>
10:00 am	Women’s AA (Dining Room)
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>April 21</b>
10:00 am	Soup’s On (Kitchen)
4:45 pm	Cherub Choir (Lower Level)
7:00 am	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
8:00 pm	NA’s (Dining Room)
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>April 22</b>
7:00 pm	OPC Film Series (Multi-Purpose Room)
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>April 23</b>
11:30 am	Easter Egg Hunt
8:30 pm	AA’s (Dining Room)
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>April 24 – Second Sunday of Easter</b>
9:30 am	Adult Coffee & Conversation (Multi-Purpose Room)
9:30 am	Elementary Sunday School
9:30 am	New Members Class (Marie Berg Chapel)
<b>11:00 am</b>	<b>WORSHIP (Sanctuary) and Via Livestream</b> and Children during worship (PreK–2 <sup>nd</sup> grade)
12:00 pm	Youth Gathering