

# Welcome to Derry Presbyterian Church

We proclaim God's Word, share God's love, and practice God's justice.



## March 31, 2024

8:00 and 10:30 am

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## Service for Resurrection Sunday

PRELUDE

*Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals*

Sigfrid Karg-Elert

arr. Michael Burkhardt

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

Ludwig Van Beethoven

arr. Tim Zimmerman

Dan Dorty, Director of Music & Organist, Brass, and Percussion

OPENING WORDS

Rev. Dr. Stephen McKinney-Whitaker

From the darkness and despair of death, Jesus is raised to new life,

**so he is the Messiah, and therefore he is the world's true Lord.**

Jesus is raised, so God's new creation has begun –

**everything old has passed away, see everything is becoming new.**

Jesus is raised so we must act as his heralds and proclaim to the world  
that Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed! Jesus reigns forever as King of Kings and Lord of Lords.**

Christ has conquered! Glory fills you! Darkness vanishes forever! Rejoice, O Church,  
Exult in glory!

**The Risen Savior shines upon us! Let this place resound with joy, echoing the  
mighty song of all God's people!**

\*INTROIT

*Hallelujah Chorus from 'The Messiah'*

G. F. Handel

Congregation, Sanctuary Choir, Brass, Organ & Percussion

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. McKinney-Whitaker

CALL TO WORSHIP

Shawn Gray

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

We have not seen the risen Christ,

**but we see him in the lives of those transformed by grace.**

We have not seen Jesus face-to-face,

**but we have seen him in the faces of everyone whose love encourages us.**

We have not touched the wounds from the cross,

**but we have been called to bring healing to the scarred of the world.**

In a love that is stronger than death, let us worship God together.

\*HYMN 232

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

EASTER HYMN

Derry Ringers, Brass, Organ & Percussion

arr. Cynthia Dobrinski

\*CONFESSION OF SIN (from the Church of Scotland)

Shawn Gray

**When our faith stands at the grave, grieving for a stone that's rolled away, forgive us.  
When our faith is short of understanding, though the truth is there to see, forgive us.  
When our faith, beset by doubt, sees no further than an empty tomb today, forgive us.  
Bring to mind the cry of Mary, "I have seen the Lord!" and grant us faith to believe!**  
(continue to confess silently)

\*ASSURANCE OF GRACE (based on Romans 8:38)

We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present,  
nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation,  
**will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**  
Friends, remember your baptism and believe the good news of the Gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ, we are reconciled and forgiven.**

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE 233 *The Day of Resurrection* (verse 1)

LANCASHIRE

**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.**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Shawn Gray

SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20:11-18

**The Word of the Lord.**  
Thanks be to God.

CONVERSATION WITH CHILDREN (10:30 am)

Shawn Gray

*There is no KIWI today so children and KIWI leaders may participate in Easter worship.*

SERMON

"The Journey"

Rev. McKinney-Whitaker

ANTHEM

*The Rejoicing*  
Derry Ringers

G. F. Handel  
arr. Martha Lynn Thompson

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\*SONG OF RESPONSE 248 *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* (verse 3)

HYMN TO JOY

**Christ is risen! Earth and heaven nevermore shall be the same.  
Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.  
Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"  
God the First and Last is with us. Sing Hosanna everyone!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE 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.**

\*HYMN 238

*Thine is the Glory*  
Derry Ringers, Brass, Organ & Percussion

JUDAS MACCABEUS  
arr. Robert Hobby

*service continues*

BENEDICTION

Rev. McKinney-Whitaker

Deep peace of the empty tomb.

**Deep peace of the morning garden.**

The eye of the Risen Christ be upon us in waking and sleeping.

**The Risen Christ beside us.**

The Risen Christ within us.

**The God of life go with us,**

this day and always on all our journeys, Amen.

CHORAL BENEDICTION

*Hallelujah, Amen from Judas Maccabeus*  
Sanctuary Choir

G. F. Handel

\*POSTLUDE

*V. Toccata from Organ Symphony No. 5*  
Brass Ensemble and Organ

C. M. Widor

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Thank you to the following instrumentalists who assisted with our Easter Sunday worship services:

Todd Fulginiti, Trumpet  
PC King, Trumpet  
Tracy Burke, Trombone

Greg Brandt, Trombone  
Bob Nowak, Percussion  
Cody Gemmell, Percussion

**TODAY**

**Easter Breakfast**

8:30 - 11 am Fellowship Hall

**Easter Worship**

8 & 10:30 am Sanctuary

**No Church School - classes resume 9:15 am Apr 7**

**THIS WEEK**

**Church Office Closed for Easter Holiday**

Monday, April 1

**Monday Night Study Group**

7 pm Monday, Apr 1 Room 7B and Zoom

**Terrific Tuesday Dinner**

5 pm Tuesday, Apr 2 Fellowship Hall

Featured entrée:

**Terrific Tuesday Music & Creative Arts Program**

5:45 pm Tuesday, Apr 2 (4-year-olds - 12th grade)

**Evening Worship and Communion**

6 pm Tuesday, Apr 2 Chapel • Led by Pastor Stephen

**Thursday Morning Study Group**

10:30 am Thursday, Apr 4 Room 7

**G.O.D. Squad Spring Clean-Up**

9 am Friday & Saturday, Apr 5 & 6

Bring gardening tools if you have them

**UPCOMING**

**Arts Alive: Paloma School of Irish Dance**

4 pm Sunday, Apr 7 Sanctuary

**Cemetery Work Day**

9:30 am Saturday, Apr 13 Derry Church Cemetery

**50-Year Member Recognition Sunday & Luncheon**

11:30 am Sunday, Apr 28 Fellowship Hall

**Golf League Begins**

10 am Tuesday, Apr 16 at Royal Oaks Golf Course

*For more information on these events, please review the Enews  
or pick up a paper copy at the Welcome Desk.*