



# He Has Risen

JUST AS HE SAID

MATTHEW 28:6b

*A service of praise and worship of Almighty God  
On the Lord's Day*

## *Easter Sunday*

March 31, 2024 | 10:30 in the morning

*First Presbyterian Church*

POOLER, GEORGIA

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# Order of Worship

(☞-Please Stand)

## Preparation for Worship

*We invite you to use this time to quietly prepare your hearts and minds for worship.*

## ☞ Call to Worship

I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart;  
before the gods I sing your praise;  
I bow down toward your holy temple  
and give thanks to your name for your  
and your faithfulness,  
for you have exalted above all things  
your name and your word.

steadfast love

## Psalm 138:1-2

*The one true God graciously invites us into his presence to worship him in spirit and in truth, and we eagerly respond in faith. This begins a dialogue which will continue to the end of the service as God initiates with us, and we respond to him.*

## ☞ Prayer of Invocation & 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.

## ☞ Worship in Song

**Come People of the Risen King**

**O Worship the King**

**All Creatures of Our God and King**

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## Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you who are rich in mercy to all who call upon you; hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins, and asking your mercy and forgiveness. We've broken your holy laws by our words and deeds, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We admit before you our disobedience and ingratitude, our pride and willfulness, and all our failures and shortcomings toward our fellow men. Father, have mercy on us, and in your great goodness grant that from now on we may serve and please you in newness of life; through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Assurance of Pardoning Grace

**John 3:16**

"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."

## ⌘ Corporate Confession of Faith

**Matthew 28:1-9**

Q. *Which is the third commandment?*

A. **The third commandment is, *You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain: for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that takes his name in vain.***

Q. *What is required in the third commandment?*

A. **The third commandment requires the holy and reverent use of God's names, titles, attributes, ordinances, Word, and works.**

Q. *What is forbidden in the third commandment?*

A. **The third commandment forbids all profaning and abusing of anything whereby God makes himself known.**

Q. *What is the reason annexed to the third commandment?*

A. **The reason annexed to the third commandment is, that however the breakers of this commandment may escape punishment from men, yet the Lord our God will not suffer them to escape his righteous judgment.**

## Pastoral Prayer

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## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

**Malachi 3:10**

Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. And thereby put me to the test, says the LORD of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need.

*With grateful hearts for God's extravagant mercy and blessing, we joyfully present our offerings to the Lord for the ministry of our church and community.*

## Offertory Song

**Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery**

## ⌘ The Doxology

*The word "doxology," coined in the 17th century, is a combination of the words "glory" and "word." A doxology is a "word of glory," a hymn of praise to the Triune God (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit), who is one divine nature in three Persons.*

## Sermon

**Rev. Dr. Bill Gleason**

**"Easter: Truth or Consequences"**

*1 Corinthians 15:1-19*

## ⌘ Christ is Risen, He is Risen Indeed

## ⌘ Benediction

**2 Corinthians 13:14**

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Assisting in Worship: RE Stephen Mullis**

**Preaching: Rev. Dr. Bill Gleason**

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*Sermon Notes*  
**"Easter: Truth or Consequences"**  
1 Corinthians 15:1-19

*If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied.  
(1 Cor 15:19)*

IF the resurrection isn't true, THEN ...

**1. Our Gospel Is a *Fiction***

- The message is \_\_\_\_\_! (v. 14)
  
  
- The messengers are \_\_\_\_\_! (v. 15)

**2. Our Faith Is a *Futility* (vv. 14,17)**

**3. Our Forgiveness Is a *Figment* (v. 17)**

**4. Our Death Is a *Finality* (v. 18)**

- Not merely \_\_\_\_\_ death
  
  
- Rather, \_\_\_\_\_ death
  - a.

# Announcements

## This Week

<b>Today</b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	Coffee, Cakes, & Conversation	Fellowship Hall
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	Youth Group & Dinner	Youth Room
		Women's Bible Study	Women's Classroom
		Music Team Practice	FPCP



## Events

**LIFE Groups** | There will be no LIFE Groups this week.

**Women's Bible Study Update** | Was originally scheduled to take a break this week, but *WILL* meet on Wednesday evening. Also, our Thursday morning study has been combined with our Wednesday evening study for the rest of the semester. Only our Wednesday study will meet going forward this spring.

**Town Hall in April** | Town Hall and Communion have been rescheduled to April 14th this month. Check with your LIFE Group leader to see if you are meeting on April 7th.

## Vacation Bible School

VBS is one of the biggest highlights of the year. Both children and helpers enjoy a time of fellowship and discipleship. Our theme this year is The Olympics - Training for Godliness (1 Tim. 4:7). See below for some updates.

**Registrations Open Soon** | Keep an eye on your inbox for VBS Registration this week! We will have classes for rising pre-kindergarten through 5th grade. We will also have nursery and toddler classes for volunteers.

**Volunteers Needed** | Calling all youth and adults. VBS will be here before we know it (June 3-7). If you can volunteer in any way, please fill out the form in the newsletter or let Annie Twibell know (preferably on paper so she doesn't have to remember). Even if you can only help one day, or bring snacks, we need your help! We would love to open VBS to the public on some level this year, if possible.

## Ministry Opportunities

**Volunteers needed** | We need volunteers in a variety of capacities specifically in the nursery, bringing snacks after service, and ushers. Please see Crystal Twibell to find out how you can help.