



Holly Presbyterian Church  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter  
April 27, 2025

## Welcome and Announcements

**Pennies from Heaven** A voluntary small change offering for building projects.

## Prelude

Julia Hull

## \*Call to Worship

Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

**Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!**

The tomb is empty; death has been swallowed up in victory.

**Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?**

He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

**Holy, holy, holy, the Lord God the Almighty, who was and is and is to come.**

He is risen!

**He is risen indeed!**

## \*Opening Hymn #232 "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

## Call to Confession

### Prayer of Confession

Lord, we desire to belong and live in harmony, but we fall far short of that desire. We are quick to take offense rather than seek understanding. We are quick to build up bitterness rather than seek reconciliation. We are quick to hold a grudge rather than forgive. Forgive us for how we have failed to love one another as you have loved us. Fill us with a new heart and new mind that we might love more like you. Help us to turn away from our selfishness and think about the interests of others.

(please take time for silent personal confession)

## Assurance of Pardon

Amen.

## Prayer for Illumination

Lord, help us to see your Word with new eyes and hear with new ears. Give our minds a new understanding and our hearts a new transformation. May we not go away and immediately forget your Word. Plant it firmly in our lives to grow to full fruitfulness in your will. Amen.

### Scriptures

Old Testament

Genesis 2:18-25

Pew Bible (OT) Pg. 2

New Testament

John 17:9-11

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 105

New Testament

Philippians 2:6-11

Pew Bible (NT) Pg. 186

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon "The Form of a Servant: United"

Rev. Chris Thomas

\*Hymn #235 "O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing"

### Affirmation of Faith

Based on Philippians 2:6-11

*Friends we are to have the mind of Christ in us. Paul reminds us of what this means in passing on maybe the earliest Christian Creed in existence in Philippians 2:6-11. Let us share in this affirmation of our faith together...*

Though Jesus existed in the form of God, He did not regard equality with God as something to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, assuming human likeness. And being found in appearance as a human, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore, God exalted him even more highly and gave him the name that is above every other name, so that at the name given to Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen!

### Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

### Offertory

\*Doxology Hymn #609 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

### \*Prayer of Dedication

Lord, we surrender all to you—what is in these plates and the sacrifices of our hearts. Take our offering and consecrate it for your glory to all eternity. Amen.

\*Closing Hymn #238 "Thine Is the Glory"

## Charge and Benediction

### Postlude

Julia Hull

Assisting with worship today: Worship Leader Vicki Lyles; Usher/Greeter Dessalee Cook; AV Setup Karen Haneline; Sound Gordie Bradshaw Cook; Bible Study Teacher Bob Killewald

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### Spring Flower Sale-

We have our annual hanging baskets, combination as well as gift cards for \$25. Orders must be turned in today. Flowers and gift cards will be here for Sunday May 11<sup>th</sup> (Mother's Day). Money is due before delivery.



Monthly summary	Average budgeted needs	Income received
March	\$6,102.00	\$6,941.00

### Outreach Team

Traverse Place-Thank you for your donations.



### Congregational Care Team

### Coffee and Fellowship

Please join us for Coffee, snack and some fellowship at 10:30am each Sunday.



### Volunteers needed.

Volunteers are needed for Worship, Coffee, and Baby Pantry. God appreciates all you do and so do we.

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If you have prayer requests, please submit them to Karen Haneline - [haneline526@gmail.com](mailto:haneline526@gmail.com) or 248-894-3489.

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## Prayer Concerns

Please remember to pray for Pastor Chris and his family, and our church, every day.



With joy and pride, we announce the birth of Broady & Dessalee Cook's first grandchild, **Bronson Michael**. Born April 2nd weighing 8lbs. 5oz. and 20in. long. Proud parents are Chris Manuszak and Bronwyn Cook.

**For healing:** Tim McLaughlin (Sherry's husband) shoulder replacement; **Bill & Rose** (biological dad of Julie Schram) Bill has a hiatal hernia and needs surgery and Rose has health issues; **Aletheia Thomas** knee.

**Ongoing prayers:** Micah Swanson (Sherry's second cousin) testicular and bladder cancer started treatment; **Jennifer Cotaling** (Randy Cook's sister-in-law) diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.; **Mike Schettling** (Tom Schettling's cousin) cancer; **Won Chea** (Tom Schettling's brother-in-law) stomach cancer; **Tom Schettling**; **Penny Schettling**; **Jerry Watkins** (Laura Parker's dad); **Alex Searfoss** (great grandson of Donna Miller) Third degree burns over 40% of his body.; **Mike Pelton**, **Don Neuville**, **Steve in FL**, and **Jim Killewald**.

**Prayers for those suffering:** for all those affected by war, severe weather, hunger, gun violence, abuse, and/or addiction.



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### Mark your calendar

Sun Apr 27 <sup>th</sup>	10:00am Bible Study
	10:30am Coffee
	11:15am Worship
Wed Apr 30 <sup>th</sup>	6:30pm Zumba
Thurs May 1 <sup>st</sup>	6:00pm Masons
Fri May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	10:00am Baby Pantry
Sun May 4 <sup>th</sup>	10:15am Outreach Team Meeting
	10:30am Coffee
	11:15am Worship