THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

*The Greeting

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

The risen Christ is with us.

Praise the Lord! Alleluia!

*Opening Hymn

Hymnal 302

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

*The Gathering Prayer

Almighty God, through Jesus Christ you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we, who celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection, may, by the renewing of your Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Hymn of Praise

Christ Is Risen

Celebrations & Concerns of the Congregation

Morning Prayer with The Lord's Prayer

Giving Our Tithes & Offerings

Offertory

*The Doxology with Alleluias Hymnal 94

*Offertory Prayer

Especially for Children

Children in grades K-5 are invited to go to Journey Kids.

The Anthem Mike Mitchell & Jennifer Brooke

*The Easter Story

Mark 16:1-8

The Word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"The Continuing Story"

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Pardon

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the good news: while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. That proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

Glory to God. Amen.

*Communion Hymn

Hymnal 310

He Lives

*The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing...

... we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, God of Power and Might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the Highest! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest! Holy are you and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ... ... as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here... ... all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*The Breaking of the Bread

The Giving

The ushers will invite the congregation row by row to come forward. The altar railing is open for prayer, if you wish.

Hymns During Communion

Prayer following Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*The Benediction

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

Serving in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Timothy Hale, Pastor

Music Director: Misty Griffin
Worship Leader: AJ Cantrell
Organist: Karla Huff

Audio/Visual: Ken Presser, Alex Gates

Ushers: David Blevins, Travis Cantrell,

Cindy Salyer, Kevin Wiseman

Nursery: Melissa Spangler, Barbara Simpkins

Welcome Home

We are so glad you joined us for worship on Easter Sunday! **Visiting with us?** Please fill out a connection card located in the pew backs and turn it in at the back following the service. We also have a gift for you as a "thank you" for worshiping with us today. A nursery is provided in Room 105 for infants through age 5, and restrooms are located in the downstairs hallway as well as through the door to the left of the pulpit. We pray that this time together will be a blessing in your life.

Announcements

Kids are invited to an **Easter Egg Hunt** following the service today. Kids should meet in the Fellowship Hall first to go to the egg hunt together.

The **Church Council** will meet on Monday, April 1, at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The next **First Wednesday** is this Wednesday, April 3. Dinner will be at 6 p.m. and our men and women's ministries will meet following the dinner.

The **Hospitality Committee** will meet on Monday, April 8, at 4 p.m. in room 103.

Want to learn more about how to share your faith? Our district is holding an **Evangelism Conference** called "Faith Sharing 101" on Saturday, April 13. For more information or to register, visit the church website.

Pastor Timothy will be starting a new **Bible study** on Wednesdays at 11 a.m. starting April 10. The study will be on *The Third Day* by Tom Berlin and will last six weeks.

Registration is now open for **Summer Camp** at Camp Dickenson for rising 2nd-12th graders. Information cards are available by the doors. Contact Pastor Timothy for information on how to register. The church is offering a \$200 discount for campers from our congregation.

Sermon Study Guide

- → What cliff-hangers do you remember from stories you have been told, or from TV shows you've watched? What was your response to them?
- → How would you have reacted if you were in the position of the women at the tomb in Mark 16?
- → Have you ever had to search for Jesus?
- → Who can you tell about Jesus this week?

Prayer List

Long Term

For peace in our world, Christian missionaries, Joe Blackwell, Casey Blackwell, Kevin Vest, Shelby Hale, Charles Burgess, Ginny Barker, Don Gardner, Peggy Harris, Judi Clemens, Chester Gallimore, Rhett Helms, Mason Pearce, Graysen Bean, Virginia Brown, Ava Juwan Crolley, Sallie Martin, Angel Spangler, Tommy & Louise Hall, David Wimmer, Gayle Griffin, Donna Johnson, Luca Gucciardo, Lauren Worley

Our Military

All those serving in all branches of our military, Darren Wood, David Thornton Booker, Jeremy Dolan, Tom Giles, Michael Kovac, Brody Stroud, Jeremiah Hassel

Short Term

Jim Salyer, Francis Berkley, BP Simpson, Joe Sowers, Peggy Harris, Steve Thomas, Roger Belcher, Terry Williams

Add or remove a name from the list by emailing pastor@floydumc or by filling out a Connection Card.

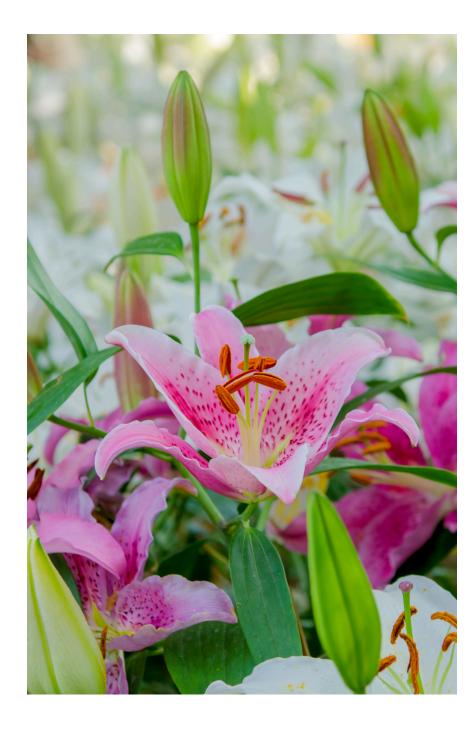
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