

The Worship of God

GINTER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

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Easter Sunday • April 9, 2023 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

“To pronounce a blessing on something is to see it from the divine perspective. To pronounce a blessing is to participate in God’s own initiative. To pronounce a blessing is to share God’s own audacity.”

- Barbara Brown Taylor, *An Altar in the World*

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Ruth Caudill

CALL TO WORSHIP

Kyle Talley

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

Leader: Darkness has been vanquished!

People: The brilliant light of hope has come!

Leader: Come let us worship and celebrate the Good News!

People: Alleluia! Christ is risen! Amen!

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 216

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Kyle Talley

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER (ALL)

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 No. 228

“The Day of Resurrection!”

LANCASHIRE

SCRIPTURE

[John 20:1-23](#)

Anita Laffoon

SERMON

“Beautiful Day”

Anita Laffoon

Benediction

EASTER BLESSING

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

“‘Beautiful Day’ with the ‘Hallelujah Chorus’”

Arr. Horn

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 234

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

DIADEMATA

BENEDICTION

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: And also with you...

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of April 9, we pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: For a spirit of hope, of possibility, of eternal life, and of commitment to the redeeming power of God who brings new life out of death to people and communities.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

The Alliance of Baptists seek to cultivate beloved community, claiming our identity within the body of Christ in the world and our solidarity with all creation. They welcome and affirm all persons with full respect to gender, sexual, racial, and ethnic identities and hold space for all persons with varying abilities, social standing, or economic status. Their core values are to create a theological Home, pursuit of God’s Justice, and partnership in Mission.

Worship isn't the same without you...

...and we'd love to have your help! We need volunteers to help on Sunday mornings by leading the Call to Worship and the Prayers of the People, and to facilitate the Zoom room. Contact Anita to sign up (alaffoon@ginterparkbc.org)!

Study Opportunities

- Thursday mornings at 10am - the book of Acts
- Sunday mornings at 9am - *Do I Stay Christian?* By Brian McLaren
- Wednesday evenings at 6:30pm - *Wholehearted Faith* by Rachel Held Evans

Page Turners Book Club

A new book has been chosen! The book to read and discuss in May is *The Reading List* by Sarah Nisha Adams. We will meet on May 21st at 4pm.

Back Pack Update!

Keep bringing in those grocery bags!!! We are packing 36 double bags each week! If you have questions about the process let Dixie know! Contact information can be found on REALM.

Hymn Texts

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Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! All creation join to say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!
Lives again our glorious king; Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia! Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!
Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!
Soar we now where Christ was led, Alleluia! Following our exalted head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

The Day of Resurrection!

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad; the Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin's dominion free, our Christ has 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, listening to his accents, may hear so calm and plain
the voice of Christ, and hearing, may raise the victor strain.
Now let the heavens be joyful! Let earth its song begin! The world resound in triumph, and all that is therein;
let all things seen and unseen their notes in gladness blend;
for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end.

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall no end, and round his pieced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.
Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

