

Welcome to Worship

Ginter Park Baptist Church

Zoom Meeting ID: 804 359 2475 • 2301 Hilliard Road, Richmond VA • 804-359-2475
Sixth Sunday of Easter • May 10, 2026 • 10:30 AM

GATHERING & REFLECTING (10:20 AM)

During this time of reflection, we invite you to take a few moments to prepare yourself for worship. Take a few deep breaths and settle into the quiet. Center yourself through art by coloring the attached picture. Slip off your shoes and remember that you are on holy ground. No matter what this time looks like for you, your whole self is welcome in this space.

CHIMING THE TRINITY

Dixie Leathers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Annie Campbell

*Responsive readings like this one are a part of worship. The congregation's part is in **bold**.*

Leader: People of God, we gather to seek the One who made the world and everything in it.

People: The One who reigns above all things, yet draws near to us.

Leader: This God does not dwell in temples made by human hands,

People: But lives and moves among us—giving us life and breath.

Leader: In this Easter season, we proclaim the risen Christ,

People: Alive among us, calling us to rejoice and sing.

Leader: From every nation and every place, God calls us to turn and live.

People: For in God we live and move and have our being.

Leader: So lift your voices with gladness!

People: We will sing praise to God who reigns above, and give thanks for life, grace, and resurrection joy!

INVOCATION PRAYER

HYMN No. 17

“O Worship the King”

LYONS

Some of us stand while singing, and others don't. Please join us in song in whatever way you are comfortable.

SHARING OF JOYS & CONCERNS

Prayer requests are shared out loud with the gathered community. If you have a joy or a concern to share, please raise your hand to request the microphone

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Annie Campbell

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. 6

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

MIT FREUDEN ZART

SCRIPTURE

[Acts 17:22-31](#)

Anita Laffoon

One: This is the Word of God, for the people of God

Many: Thanks be to God

SERMON

“Sinners, Saints, and Fools”

Anita Laffoon

TIME OF REFLECTION & RESPONSE

“Leaning on the Everlasting Arms”

Showalter/Johnston/Biddle

ANNOUNCEMENTS & THE WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN No. 95

“Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”

DUKE STREET

CLOSING COMMISSION

Leader: Go now into the world created by God and renewed in Christ.

People: We go to live and move and have our being in God.

Leader: Remember: the One who made heaven and earth is not far from each of us.

People: We will seek God, serve God, and trust God’s nearness.

Leader: Proclaim the risen Christ in word and deed,

People: So that all people, in every place, may know God’s reign.

Leader: May Christ’s love extend from shore to shore,

People: And God’s justice rise like the morning sun.

Leader: Go in the power of the Spirit, rejoicing!

People: Until every heart sings praise, and Christ shall reign where’er the sun.

All: Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

One: The peace of Christ is with you.

Many: And also with you.

Our services are hybrid, meaning there are cameras in the worship space to allow those joining us via Zoom to fully participate. If you would rather not be on camera, we have marked the areas where our cameras can’t see you.



Are you visiting with us today? We’d love to get to know you better!

Scan the QR code to tell us more about you.

Announcements

Metro Richmond at Prayer

During the week of May 10, we pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: For all the sick and their caregivers – doctors, nurses, hospice workers, home healthcare workers, and all who minister to the health of others. For clinics, medical personnel, and all institutions that serve persons who are uninsured or underinsured.

Pray for our Ministry Partners

Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy is the largest statewide advocacy voice for the faith community in Virginia. The organization focuses primarily on issues of racial, social, and economic justice. They include Virginians of all faiths including people who identify as Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Bahai, humanist, “spiritual, not religious,” "religious none," and people of goodwill.

BJC Study

“Faith, Power, and Politics: Cultivating religious liberty as a Christian” meets on Wednesdays at 7pm. Let Anita know if you are interested in participating!

Business Meeting

We will have a business meeting on May 17th, immediately after worship. Please plan to attend either in person or on Zoom.

Thursday Morning Bible Study

The Thursday morning Bible study will meet at 10 am at 2301 Hilliard Rd this week, but will not meet on May 7th. Contact Don Polaski for more information. All are welcome!

Page Turners Book Club

The Page Turners Book Club has a new reading assignment: *So Far Gone* by Jess Walter. This book will be discussed on Sunday May 17, 2026 at 4pm at 2301 Hilliard Rd.

Let's Celebrate!

We have much to celebrate this year. A new church home, 110 years as a church family, anniversaries, birthdays, and more. Paul and Keene have invited everyone to a day at the river to play, relax, enjoy sunshine and fellowship is a perfect way to party.

When- Saturday, June 6, 11:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Where - 540 Plantation Place, Little Plymouth, VA 23091.

RSVP to Keene or Paul, and see Realm for more details!

Backpack Update

Dixie and Connie will continue as co-facilitators of the program. Contact one of them to volunteer. Don't forget to bring in your paper bags!

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!

Hymn Texts

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O Worship the King

O worship the King all glorious above, and gratefully sing God's wonderful love,
our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

How great is your might! How steadfast your grace! Your robe is the light; your canopy, space;
your chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, in majesty riding the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, your power has founded of old,
established it fast by a changeless decree, and round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love, the God of our salvation.

With healing balm my soul is filled and every faithless murmur stilled: to God all praise and glory!

Our God is never far away, but through all grief distressing,
an ever present help and stay, our peace and joy and blessing.

As with a mother's tender hand God gently leads the chosen band; to God all praise and glory!

Then all my gladsome way along I sing aloud your praises
that all may hear the grateful song my voice unwearied raises.

Be joyful in the Lord, my heart, both soul and body take your part; to God all praise and glory!

Let all who name Christ's holy name give God all praise and glory;
let all who own God's power proclaim around the wondrous story!

Cast each false idol from its throne, for Christ is Lord, and Christ alone; to God all praise and glory!

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

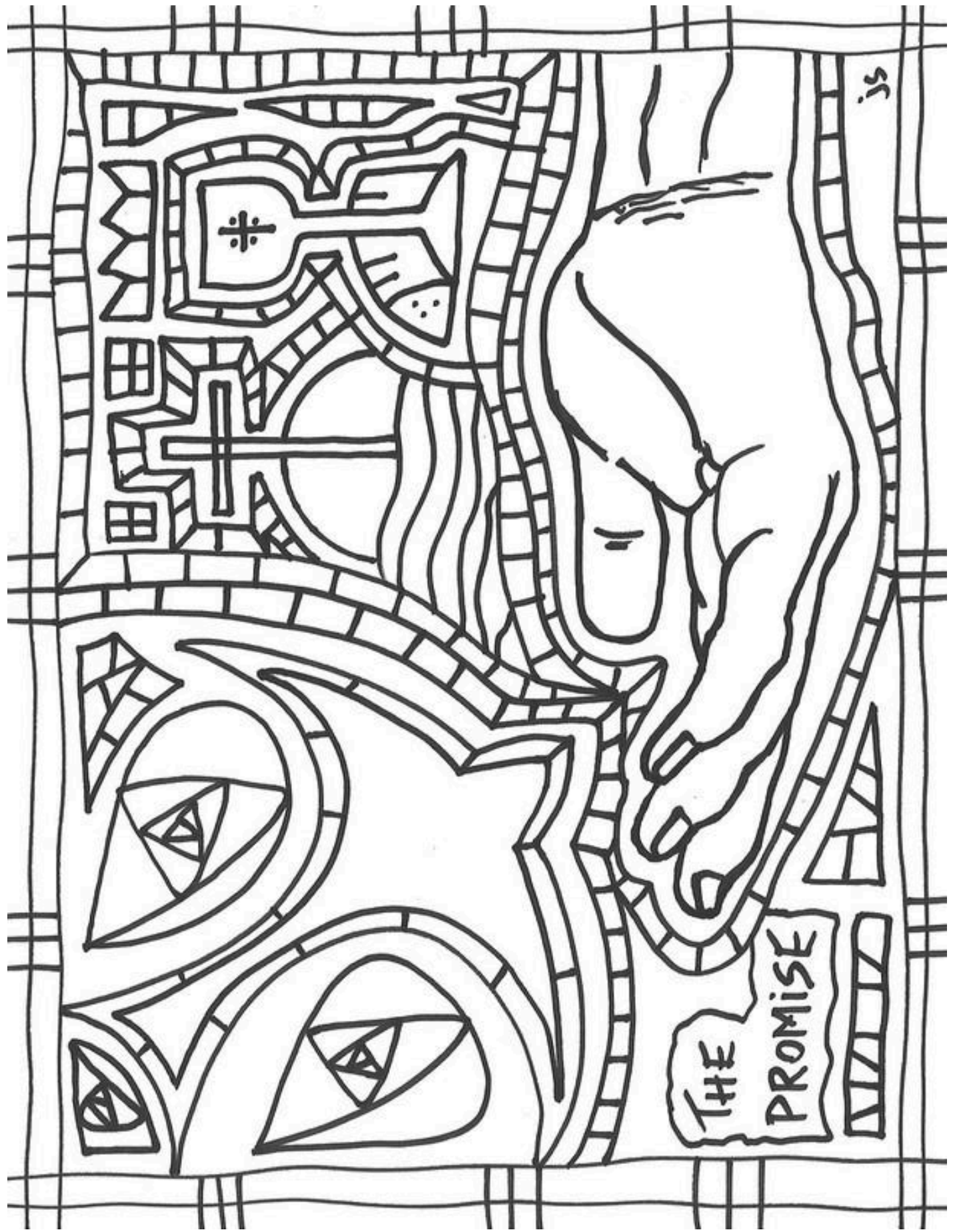
Jesus shall reign where'er the sun doth its successive journeys run;
his love shall spread from shore to shore till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Christ shall endless prayer be made, and endless praises crown his head;
his name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice;

People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song;
and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his name.

Blessings abound where'er he reigns; all prisoners leap to lose their chains,
the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise with song; honors and praise to Christ our belong;
angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen!



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