

FAIRFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 5, 2026

Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude

Come, Ye Faithful

arr. Robert J. Hughes

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

Alleluia, Alleluia

Call to Worship

L: Hallelujah! Christ is Risen.

P: **He is Risen indeed. Hallelujah!**

L: This is the Day the Lord has made;

P: **Let us Rejoice and be glad. Hallelujah!**

WE PRAISE GOD TOGETHER

***Hymn # 295**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

Unison Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, as we reach the end of Holy Week and gather in worship, we turn our grateful hearts to the resurrection of our Savior. Jesus has triumphed over death and opened the gates to new life. We confess that our sin and pride hide our understanding of all you have done for us. We so often prefer our ways of seeking to earn your grace and favor. Forgive us for ignoring your costly love and refusing your gracious mercy. Lead us to the way of the cross and the victory of the empty tomb so we may dwell with You forever. *(Silent prayers of confession)* Amen.

Words of Assurance

L: Friends, in Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven!

P: **Thanks be to God!**

***Gloria Patri #733**

"Glory Be to the Father"

Meineke

Old Testament Reading

Psalm 118

- L: Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the Lord.
- P: This is the gate of the Lord
through which the righteous may enter.**
- L: I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.
- P: The stone which the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;**
- L: The Lord has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- P: The Lord has done it this very day;
Let us rejoice today and be glad.**
- L: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his love endures forever.
- P: Let Israel say, "His love endures forever."**

Anthem

Joy in the Morning

Sleeth/Raney

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

John 20: 1-18

Pew Bible p. 114- New Testament

Message

"The First and the Last"

Rev. Dr. Richard Haney

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn # 695**

As We Gather at Your Table

Affirmation of Faith

The Heidelberg Catechism, 4.045

Q: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

A: First, by his resurrection he has overcome death, so that he might make us share in the righteousness he obtained for us by his death. Second, by his power we too are already raised to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is a sure pledge to us of our blessed resurrection.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Offering

(Please sign and pass the Friendship Pads during this time)

Offertory *Thine is the Glory* arr. Anna Laura Page

***The Doxology #44** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*** Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn ## 298** *The Day of Resurrection!*

***Benediction**

***Postlude** *Toccata from Organ Symphony V* Charles Marie Widor

* Those who are able, please stand.

Thank you to Amy Wenninger for joining David Starzer at the piano for "Joy in the Morning."