



First Baptist Church

A Place To Belong

Worship Service for Sunday, April 24, 2022

Second Sunday of Easter

**Please stand as you are able whether you are participating at home or in the sanctuary.*

We Gather as God's People

Silent Prayer: Almighty Father, you gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise again for our justification: help us to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with your and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen. (*Book of Common Prayer*)

Music for Gathering

“Reflection”

Xavier Russell-MacLean

Opportunities for Life and Service

Kayely Rich

*The Introit

“Come, People of the Risen King”
(Keith Getty and Stuart Townend)

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring him praise.

Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace.

From the shifting shadows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him,

Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!

One heart, one voice; oh, Church of Christ rejoice!

Call to Worship and Prayer

Kayely Rich

Leader: Welcome in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The Lord be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

Welcoming one another

We Approach God

*Hymn of Praise

“Worship Christ the Risen King”

#225

The children are invited to come forward during the singing of this song.

Rise, O Church, and lift your voices, Christ has conquered death and hell.

Sing as all the earth rejoices; resurrection anthems swell.

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

See the tomb where death had laid him, empty now its mouth declares;

“Death and I could not contain him, for the throne of life he shares.”

Come and worship, come and worship, worship Christ, the risen King!

Hear the earth protest and tremble, see the stone removed with pow'r;

All hell's minions may assemble but cannot withstand his hour.

He has conquered, he has conquered, Christ the Lord, the risen King!

Doubt may lift its head to murmur, scoffers mock and sinners jeer;

But the truth proclaims a wonder thoughtful hearts receive with cheer.

He is risen, he is risen, now receive the risen King!

We acclaim your life, O Jesus, now we sing your victory;

Sin or hell may seek to seize us, but your conquest keeps us free.

Stand in triumph, stand in triumph, worship Christ, the risen King!

Children's Blessing

Kayely Rich

Gift of Music

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”
(Arr. Maria Fuller)

Video Presentation

Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Joel Russell-MacLean

Listen to God

*Hymn of Approach

“Our God Reigns”

#229

**How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him
Who brings good news, good news
Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness.
Our God reigns, our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!**

**He had no stately form; he had no majesty,
That we should be drawn to him.
He was despised, and we took no account of him,
Yet now he reigns with the Most High.**

**Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!**

**Out of the tomb he came with grace and majesty;
He is alive, He is alive.
God loves us so, see here his hands, his feet, his side.
Yes, we know, he is alive.**

**Our God reigns! Our God reigns!
Our God reigns! Our God reigns!**

*Hymn

Easter Song

#222

**Hear the bells ringing, they're singing that we can be born again!
Hear the bells ringing, they're singing “Christ is risen from the dead!”
The angel up on the tombstone said “He has risen, just as he said.
Quickly now, go tell his disciples that Jesus Christ is no longer dead!”
Joy to the world, he is risen, alleluia!
Is risen, alleluia! Is risen, alleluia, alleluia!**

Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 36:25-30, 33-36

Responsorial Lesson: Psalm 96

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

All: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvellous works among all the peoples.

All: Honour and majesty are before him; strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

Leader: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

All: Worship the Lord in holy splendour; tremble before him, all the earth.

Leader: Say among the nations, "The Lord is king! The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved. He will judge the peoples with equity."

All: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it.

Leader: Let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord; for he is coming,

All: He is coming to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with his truth.

*Gloria Patri

#623

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

*Gospel Lesson: John 20:19-31

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"So That You May Have Life"

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Respond to God

*Hymn of Response

“He Lives”

#220

**I serve a risen Saviour, he's in the world today;
I know that he is living, whatever men may say;
I see his hand of mercy, I hear his voice of cheer,
And just the time I need him he's always near.**

**He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

**In all the world around me I see his loving care,
And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair;
I know that he is leading, through all the stormy blast,
The day of his appearing will come at last.**

**He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

**Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, lift up your voice and sing
Eternal hallelujahs to Jesus Christ, the King!
The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find,
None other is so loving, so good and kind.**

**He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!
He walks with me and talks with me along life's narrow way.
He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!
You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.**

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Our Gifts and Offerings

Joel Russell-MacLean

We Depart to Serve God

*Hymn for Departing

"Because He Lives"
(Bill Gaither)

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow.

Because he lives, all fear is gone.

Because I know he holds the future,

And life is worth the living, just because he lives.

*Benediction

Joel Russell-MacLean

Music for Departing

"Prelude in C Minor"
(Bach)

Xavier Russell-MacLean

For those of you on Zoom, after the Music for Departing, a few smaller breakout groups will be formed. There is no obligation to stay if you need to be going. If you wish to take part, simply remain on Zoom to be invited to a group and hear how others are doing.