



Steele Creek Presbyterian Church

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EASTER SUNDAY

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church – Organized 1760

Remembering the Past, Serving in the Present, Anticipating the Future

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Resurrection of the Lord

April 01, 2018

10:30 AM

*Those that are able, please stand

CCLI # 3051971

Gathering Around The Word

Prayer of Preparation

What a beautiful day for celebrating! God, we are so grateful for the promise that this day holds. We are filled with hope and joy and life. Thank You for loving us so much that You sent Your only son to die for us. Thank You also that death was not the final word. We see the brokenness of our sin and the effects of it on the world around us. It is only through this work that we can live in anticipation of a world where sin and darkness no longer exist. We wait in anticipation for Your return and the final defeat of sin and death. We praise You, O God, for the great story You are writing! Amen.

Words of Welcome

Opening Prelude

Worthy Is the Lamb

Darlene Zcheck

Bringing in the Light of Christ

Acolyte

Call to Worship

Christ Now Is King

John Carter

*Opening Prayer

Call: Our Savior died, but is dead no longer!

Response: Praise God! He is risen!

Call: Our Savior has defeated death and conquered the grave.

Response: Praise God! He is risen!

Call: Victory over sin has been won!

Response Praise God! He is risen!

Call: We are made new, and all of Creation can hope!

Response: Praise God! He is risen!

All: Our Savior is alive! He is risen!

*Hymn

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

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Prayer of Confession & Surrender

Merciful and risen Savior, we claim to be people of the resurrection, yet we confess that far too often we do not experience resurrection power. Our prayers are anemic, and our faith is shallow. We compartmentalize our lives, placing You on the sidelines of our work, family life and play. We take too much for granted and fail to thank You for the blessings of health, relationships and freedoms. We fail to be good stewards of Your creation, and we become discouraged by problems, limitations and failures. Gracious God, forgive our shortsightedness and our lack of trust. Help us to see that You are at work in our lives and in the world. Inspire us to hold fast to You in faith, knowing that You are working all things for good and that because of the empty tomb, we have nothing to fear. Amen.

Response *Lift High the Cross* (chorus only) 826

God's Grace and Promise

Leader: Out of the depths of God's eternal love for us, God hears our prayers, forgives our sins and sets us free to live and work for God's glory.

People: We are loved. We are forgiven. We are free! Thanks be to God. Amen.

Living The Word

Tithes and Offering

Offertory (Handbells) *Lift High the Cross* Cynthia Dobrinski

*Response *Doxology* 606

*Prayer of Dedication

You are the God who creates us, the Christ who redeems us, the Holy Spirit who fills us with hope. May we and our gifts be instruments of Your purpose here on Earth. Amen.

Proclaiming The Word

God's Word for Children Mrs. Lorie Lewis
(Children 3 years old through First Grade may leave for Kid's Time)

Anthem *To The Lamb On The Throne* Dan Forrest

*God's Word Written 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Mark 16:1-8

God's Word Proclaimed **Resurrected** Dr. W. Jeff Pinkston

Responding To The Word

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

*Closing Hymn *Crown Him With Many Crowns* 268

*Taking the Light of Christ into the World Acolyte

*Charge and Benediction

*Closing Voluntary *Easter Joy* Eugene Butler

THE SESSION

W. Jeff Pinkston, Moderator

Walter H. Neely Jr., Clerk

Price H. Gwynn, III, Elder Emeritus

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Directors of the Church Corporation

Members of the Session

Sunday School Superintendent

Henry Cathey

Assistant Sunday School Superintendent

Cooper Freeman, IV

Mission Statement

Steele Creek Presbyterian Church is a welcoming Christian family, rich in tradition, actively spreading the good news of Jesus Christ, serving our community and world.