

First Baptist Church of Dayton

He  
IS  
NOT  
Here

BUT He HAS BEEN RAISED!

April 20, 2025





The First Baptist Church at Worship  
EASTER SUNDAY  
April 20, 2025 ~ 10:00 AM



FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

As we gather for worship, before and during the Prelude, you are invited to place the flower(s) you have brought on the cross at the front of the sanctuary. Additional flowers are also available at the front for those wishing to participate. In this act of worship, a poignant symbol of new life coming forth from death emerges before our eyes as we declare that Christ has risen. Alleluia!

THE PRELUDE

Gregory Land, Organist  
R. Alan Kimbrough, Pianist

The Risen Christ ..... Charles Sergisson  
Based on hymn tunes "Palestrina" and "Lyra Davidica"

Morning Has Broken ..... Traditional Gaelic Melody  
setting by Karrin Ford

Worthy Is the Lamb ..... Don Wyrzten  
(Revelation 5:12) setting by Mickelson/Wyrzten

Morning Trumpet ..... The Sacred Harp, 1844  
setting by Mary Ellen Kerrick

Holy, Holy, Holy ..... setting by Hayes/Gaspard  
with Toccata from Widor's Symphony No. 5 and "Nicaea"

In Praise to the Lord

THE RINGING OF THE CHIMES

A three-fold ringing of three signifies the presence of the triune God:  
Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit.

CHORAL INTROIT

Chancel Choir  
Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Director

My Tribute ..... Andraé Crouch

*To God be the glory for the things He has done.  
With His blood He has saved me, with His power he has raised me,  
to God be the glory for the things He has done.*

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

\*WELCOME & RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP (Luke 24:1-12)

Rev. Dr. Kent Berghuis

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared.

**They found the stone rolled away from the tomb,**  
but when they went in they did not find the body.

**While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them.**

The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here but has risen.

**Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,**

that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again."

**Then they remembered his words,**

and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest.

**Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles.**

But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them.

**But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.**

Hallelujah! Christ is Risen!

**He is risen indeed! Hallelujah!**

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN

#194 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today*  
EASTER HYMN

In every worship service the words we say and the actions we participate in are somehow shaping us. Perhaps without even being aware of it, worship is doing something to us—it's forming habits and language inside of us to both teach us why we are in relationship with God, and how to be in relationship with God. One practice that many liturgists and hymn authors have brought into worship is describing an event that happened in the past (usually a moment from the Gospel story) as if it were happening today, in order to instill in us the understanding that, just as God worked in the lives of people two thousand years ago, He is still working today. The hymn *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* is a perfect example of this. Right in the title is an indicator of the present tense: the word "is." As we sing this song, we are first brought back two millennia as "witnesses" of the resurrection, and then we are also made aware that though the actual event of the resurrection happened once, it is in a sense an on-going event with ever-present effects. We are called today to live out of the resurrection, to follow our risen Lord in newness of life, and to ever lift our "alleluias" in praise.

\*PASSING THE PEACE (*A time to greet one another*)

## Listening for the Word of God

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

Barry Schlaile

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating, for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime, for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat, for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be offspring blessed by the LORD-- and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet

speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, but the serpent--its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the LORD.

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

Rev. David Coggins

If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. For since death came through a human, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human, for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in its own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

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People: **Thanks be to God!**

\*FELLOWSHIP HYMN

#214 *The Day of Resurrection*  
LANCASHIRE

This hymn is one of the oldest hymns still sung. Traditionally in the Greek church, the celebration of Christ's resurrection began at the stroke of midnight on Easter Sunday, with the lighting of candles, jubilant greetings, and the singing of this hymn. It was as if the Church could not contain her joy any longer than she had to after the sorrowful contemplation of sin and its consequent suffering through Lent and Holy Week. The text bubbles over with "joy that hath no end" in the victory that Jesus Christ won over sin and death through His resurrection.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Jason Alspaugh

(Children are invited to come forward for the message during the last verse of the Fellowship Hymn.  
Children will return to sit with their families for the remainder of the service.)

CALL TO PRAYER

#365 v.1 *More Love to Thee, O Christ*  
MORE LOVE TO THEE

**More love to Thee, O Christ, more love to Thee!  
Hear Thou the prayer I make on bended knee, this is my earnest plea:  
more love, O Christ, to Thee, more love to Thee, more love to Thee!**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and  
THE LORD'S PRAYER (Debts/Debtors)

Rev. Alspaugh

**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.**

ANTHEM

Chancel Choir  
Dr. William Henry Caldwell, Director

Resurrection Hymn ..... Steven Strite

*See, what a morning, gloriously bright with the dawning of hope in Jerusalem  
Folded the grave-clothes, tomb filled with light as the angels announce Christ is risen*

*See God's salvation plan wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in sacrifice  
 Fulfilled in Christ the Man for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead  
 See Mary weeping, "Where is He laid" as in sorrow she turns from the empty tomb  
 Hears a voice speaking, calling her name, it's the Master, the Lord, raised to life again  
 The voice that spans the years, speaking life, stirring hope, bringing peace to us  
 Will sound 'til He appears, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead! Alleluia.  
 One with the Father, ancient of days, through the Spirit who clothes faith with certainty  
 Honor and blessing, glory and praise to the King crowned with pow'r and authority  
 And we are raised with Him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has conquered  
 And we shall reign with Him, for He lives, Christ is risen from the dead. Alleluia.*

THE SERMON

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

*"Alive With Christ"*

## The Response of God's People

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE

#219 *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise*  
 LLANFAIR

This hymn elaborates on the royalty and sovereignty of the ascended Christ, to which Mark alluded in his gospel: "So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven and sat down at the right hand of God." The second stanza refers to one of the royal psalms: "Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in."

BLESSING WITH DISMISSAL

Rev. Dr. Berghuis

\*BENEDICTION

Congregation & Choir

The Hallelujah Chorus from *Messiah*  
 George Frederick Handel

**Hallelujah! For the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.  
 The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ.  
 And He shall reign forever and ever. King of Kings and Lord of Lords. Hallelujah!**

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(\*) You're invited to rise in body or in spirit!

*Please drop off your offering and yellow card in the basket as you leave.  
 Thank you for supporting the ministry of the church!*

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## Welcome Guest Musicians!

Let us welcome our brass ensemble and timpanist this morning as we celebrate our Easter. Our players were selected by Mr. Eric Knorr who is on the music faculty at the University of Dayton and serves as librarian for the Dayton Philharmonic when he is not playing with the Dayton Wind Ensemble and Wright-Patt.

Eric Knorr – Trumpet, Manager  
 Luke Grieshop – Trumpet 1  
 Ben Knab – Trumpet 2  
 Gary Weik – Tuba

Chloe Sedoris - Horn  
 Katie Sutton - Trombone  
 John Newlie - Timpani

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## *Happy Easter to All!*

**Welcome to our worship service!** If you are visiting, we would love to get to know you. Please fill out a yellow card with your contact information and a pastor will be happy to get in touch with you. Anyone is welcome to use these cards to communicate with our office and share prayer requests or other information, too. We have baskets for our offering and communication cards at our entrances/exits.

We continue to **livestream and video record** our Sunday worship service through our YouTube channel. This can be found at <https://www.youtube.com/> and look for First Baptist Church Dayton Ohio, or check our website (<http://www.fbcd Dayton.org/>).

### Prayer for the Armed Forces

*Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace, strengthen them in their trials and temptations, give them courage to face the perils which beset them, and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

### Prayers of the People

*(If you have someone you'd like to add or remove, please let us know.)*

Laura Bayless	Barbara Jett	David See
Clara Black	Karen Johnson	Judy See
Jessica Blair	Carole Lasley	Roger Stephens
Gail Bowman	Gene Lee	Anne Veghte
Don Brown	Vincent Liss	Cynthia Whittaker
Linda Ginter-Brown	Tom McKenzie	Williams Family
Gerald Busch	Lisa McMullen	Sharon Wingham
Mark Craig	Melissa Mikesell	<b>Military Duty:</b>
Pamela Cress	Tonya Mitchell & Family	Sebastian Ewald
Kerby Downs	Shirley Nash	Sunny Ewald
Lavanda Ferguson	Mary Ann Paloncy	Brittany Kalbfleisch
Bill Harrell	Susan Parent	Kyle Kline
Debbie Harshman	Petry Family	Andy Wilson
Iglesia Bautista Dios Compasivo (El Salvador)		

### Week of April 20 – 27

Sun. 20	10:00a	.....	Easter Sunday Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
Tue. 22	1:00p	.....	Church Women United Meeting
Wed. 23	6:30p	.....	PDI Meeting
Thu. 24	7:00p	.....	Choir Rehearsal
Sun. 27	10:00a	.....	Worship Service
	11:15a	.....	Coffee Fellowship
	11:30a	.....	Sunday School for All Ages
	3:30p	.....	IFGD Neighboring Faith Series (Sikh Society)

### Church Women United - Next Meeting April 22nd

Ladies of First Baptist: Our next meeting of **Church Women United**, will be Tuesday, April 22 at 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our speakers that day are from **Blue Star Mothers**, a volunteer organization which supports our military members. Since we have a significant presence of retired military in our congregation, let's be sure to show our support by attending this important meeting. Questions? Contact Linda Ginter Brown, **First Baptist CWU Key Woman**.

## **May Church Meetings**

### **Board Meetings**

Wednesday, May 14 @ 6:30pm

### **Executive Council Meeting**

Wednesday, May 21 @ 6:30pm



## **Cincinnati Youth Choir in Concert**

**Sunday, May 4 @ 4:00pm**

**First Baptist Church of Dayton**

On Sunday, May 4 at 4:00pm, First Baptist Church of Dayton will host the world renowned Cincinnati Youth Choir. The group performs often with the Cincinnati Symphony and May Festival and at state and national music festivals. The group is under the direction of Robyn Lana and will perform selections of all periods and styles. The concert is open and free to the public. A free will offering will be taken and a reception will follow in the Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend and come out to enjoy an afternoon of wonderful music!

**SIGN UP TODAY  
IN FELLOWSHIP HALL!**

**REBUILDING TOGETHER DAYTON**

## **National Rebuilding Day**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 26, 2025**

**768 Edgemont Ave, Dayton 45417**

**9:00AM**

**Submitted by Tim Holmen, Chair of FBC Board of Missions**

You have an opportunity to participate in a mission board sponsored project called Rebuilding Together Dayton (RTD). This is a community project our church participates in each April. One of our church members, Amy Radachi, is the president of the organization that hosts this project. RTD is a non-profit organization serving low-income senior homeowners throughout Montgomery County. It began as a one day a year program in Dayton. Over the past 28 years, RTD has expanded to operate year-around and county-wide. Over 150 households are assisted annually with urgent home repairs and accessibility modifications. RTD work is proven to improve the health and safety of the home, allowing senior homeowners to continue aging in place. We have been participating in this project for several years. Last year, Connie and I helped with landscaping, and in previous years we assisted with painting. NOTE: You do not need to be a construction expert as there will be supervisors to direct work.

**This year RTD is targeting the Edgemont, Miami Chapel, and Carillon neighborhoods where hundreds of volunteers will be assisting. Volunteers representing First Baptist Church have been asked to report to 768 Edgemont Avenue on Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM.**

RTD staff need to know how many volunteers will be available from First Baptist Church so they can plan tasks for the volunteers. If you are willing and able to help, please sign the sheet on the table in fellowship hall where we meet after Sunday service, call the church office, or contact Tim Holmen.

*Thank you for considering this project!*

# Interfaith Forum of Greater Dayton

Proudly announces IFGD Project 2025

## Neighboring Faith Series: Session Three



### Sikh Society of Dayton

2320 Harshman Road  
Riverside OH 45424

IFGD invites the Greater Dayton Community to participate in Neighboring Faith Series. Join us to visit different Faith congregations. Observe worship services of different religious traditions.

*Meet experts and ask questions on the featured faith/tradition.  
Engage in lively discussion on ways to make our faith communities stronger.*

IFGD members represent *Bahai, Buddhist, Christian, Hindu, Islam, Jain, Jew, Sikh, Unitarian Universalist, and other Faith traditions.*

## WHEN:

**Sunday, April 27, 2025 @ 3:30-6:30 pm.**

*(You may join/depart at your convenience.)*

**Enjoy complementary vegetarian snacks.**

### Dress code:

Shoes off at the entrance and head covered with scarf or handkerchief. Comfortable attire to sit on the carpeted floor (chairs available if needed).

### For more information:

Contact Dr. Sehbi at 937 369 6010



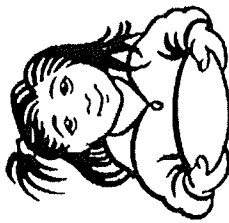
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### Fifty days of Easter

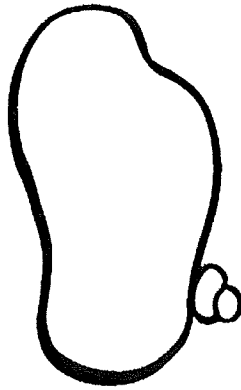
Did you know that the church season of Easter lasts 50 days? Here are three ways you can celebrate. Finish each picture.



Go on an egg hunt.  
Hide eggs in the picture.



Bring treats to your neighbors.  
Draw treats on the empty plate.



Say "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" each morning when you wake up.  
Write these Easter words in the balloon.



Jump for joy! Shout, "Hooray!" Jesus Christ is risen today! Amen

## This week

Notice times when you "see Jesus" in your everyday experiences.



The Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter Day

## gather

Welcome to worship. Today is Easter! For Christians, Easter is the most joyful celebration of the year. This is the day Jesus rose from death to a new life. What changes do you see in your worship space? What color is the cloth on God's table (the altar)? What kinds of flowers do you see? During the 40 days of Lent we didn't sing or say "Alleluia." Today, listen for all of the times you say or sing "Alleluia!"



# hear & celebrate

## Jesus Christ is risen!

John 20:1-18

Early in the morning, Mary Magdalene came to Jesus' tomb. She saw that the big stone was rolled away from the door. Jesus' body was gone! Mary cried as she looked in the tomb. She saw two angels dressed in white. They said to her, "Why are you weeping?"


Mary said, "Jesus is gone." Then Mary turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know it was Jesus.

Jesus said, "Mary!" When Mary heard her name, she recognized

Jesus. Jesus told Mary the good news—he had risen from the dead!

Mary ran to the disciples. She said, "I have seen the Lord!"



 When you hear someone say, "Christ is risen!" respond this way: "Christ is risen indeed!" Practice with a family member or a friend.

## Easter eggs

Our celebration of Easter is filled with eggs. Jelly beans look like tiny, colorful eggs. We eat chocolate eggs and chew bubblegum eggs. We turn ordinary eggs into beautiful pieces of art. Eggs are a powerful symbol of Easter. The eggshell is like Jesus' tomb. It carries new life inside of it. When the chick hatches out of the egg, it reminds us of Jesus' new life at Easter.



Can you help these children find 10 eggs?

# Easter Flower Dedications

*Thank you to those who contributed to our beautiful array of Easter flowers this year!  
You may take a flower home with you after service today.*

## **Daryl & Barbara Bogan**

*In memory of our parents and brother*

*In honor of our daughters,  
sons-in-law, and grandchildren*

## **Marcie Bogan**

*In honor of First Baptist members  
who have gone before us*

## **Rev. Don & Linda Ginter-Brown**

*In memory of Ron Petry,  
Pete Thomson, and Doris Landis*

*In honor of Gail Bowman*

## **Mark & Merriann Craig**

*In memory of  
Ruth Howell (grandmother)  
Roger & Marilyn Craig (parents)  
Tom & Louella Fenner (parents)*

## **Bob & Donna Miles Curry**

*In honor of the Staff of First Baptist*

## **Kay Denny**

*In memory of Ron Denny  
and the Williams Family*

## **Ted & Gina Greenwood**

*In memory of our parents who  
formed and shaped us—  
Greenwoods, Hansons, Whitsons*

## **Don & Susan Harker**

*In memory of our mothers—  
Marian Bagwell and Grace Harker*

## **William A. Harrell**

*In memory of Beverly E. Harrell*

## **Mary Herbert**

*In memory of Logan & Ruth Herbert,  
John Herbert, and George Herbert*

## **Mike & Dawn Kalbfleisch**

*In honor of the Harrell and Kalbfleisch families*

## **Bob & Nancy Kerr**

*In memory of Sheri Diehl and Byron Arrasmith*

## **R. Alan Kimbrough**

*In honor of the Chancel Choir*

## **Tom & Carole Lasley**

*In memory of our loving parents*

## **Greg Merkle**

*In memory of Catherine & Arthur Merkle*

*In honor of sisters Barbara Goldschmidt  
and Debi Kern and their families,  
and the FBC congregation and staff*

## **Tonya Mitchell & Ginger Tiffner**

*In memory of Mike Mitchell*

## **Shirley A. Nash**

*In memory of John D. Nash*

## **Diana Petry and Family**

*In memory of Ron Petry*

## **Barry Schlaile**

*In memory of David A. Donovan*

## **The See Family**

*In memory of Jack See and Pauline Henry*

## **Roger & Joanne Benedict Stephens**

*In memory of Arthur & Marian Benedict  
and Ira & Harriet Stephens*

*In honor of Susan Stephens, and  
Richard & Sally Stephens Kimball*

## **Linda Thomson**

*In honor of Harold West*

*In memory of Pete Thomson, Janet West,  
and Peter & Ethleon Thomson*

## **Angela Williams & Melody Williams**

*In memory of Dr. James & Dorothy Williams*

## **Bill & Sue Wilson**

*In memory of our Parents and Grandparents*

*In honor of our Children and Grandchildren*

## **Jon & Julie Wolfe**

*In memory of Friends and Family*