



**FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN  
CHURCH**

**Kilgore, Texas**

**May 2, 2021  
10:00 a.m.**

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**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

*Conventions in this bulletin include: an asterisk (\*) invites you to stand, as health allows, material printed in **bold** is for the congregation to sing or say.*

PRELUDE

*Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing  
Come Down, O Love Divine - Keesecker*

\*HYMN 366

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

The risen Christ calls us to love,

**because God first loved us!**

The risen Christ gives us a new commandment,

**as Jesus loves us, let us love one another!**

The risen Christ calls us to worship.

**We worship the one who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life!**

\*CHORAL RESPONSE (See insert)

*The Lord Is Risen*

PRAYER OF ADORATION

WELCOME

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Loving God, we confess before You and each other that our lives are not pure and holy apart from the cleansing we have from the work of Christ. And we confess that too often Christ in us is hidden by our actions that wound rather than heal, that tear down rather than build up. Open our eyes, that we may see You in the ones we say we love. Open our ears, that we may be quicker to listen than to speak. Open our mouths, to speak good rather than evil of our neighbors. Open our hands in generosity and help us let go of clenched fists. Open our hearts to a desire to follow Jesus in full obedience to Your will and Your way. We pray trusting in Your forgiveness and in the power of Your Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in the paths of justice and righteousness for Your name's sake. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

KYRIE ELEISON (See insert)

*Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*

DECLARATION OF PARDON

**\*RESPONSE**

*Gloria Patri*

**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.**

**UNISON PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**God of life, Your Spirit raised Jesus from the dead. Your Spirit inspired the prophets and writers of Scripture. Your Spirit draws us to Christ and helps us acknowledge Him as Lord. We ask that you send Your Spirit now to give us deeper insight, encouragement, faith, and hope through the proclamation of the Easter gospel. Amen.**

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING (See insert)**

Psalm 22:25-31

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**MOMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN**

**\*HYMN 703**

*Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me*

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

1 John 4:7-21

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

Rev. Will Wilson

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; and In Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS, CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS**

**ANTHEM**

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life, such a Way as gives us breath, such a Truth that ends all strife, such a Life that killeth death. Come, my Light, my Feast, my Strength, such a Light as shows a feast, such a Feast as mends in length, such a Strength as makes his guest. Come, my Joy my Love, my

Heart, such a Joy as none can move, such a Love as none can part, such a Heart that joys in Love.

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

**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 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.**

**BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

**\*HYMN 634**

*To God Be the Glory*

**\*BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

*March in D - Bach/Callahan*

*Worship continues with our service in life.*

**Worship Leaders**

Rev. Will Wilson, Pastor

Gala Eubank Strunk, Organist-Choirmaster

Blake Stephens, Director of Christian Education

**Welcome to all who are visiting with us today. We are glad you are here. Please take a visitor bag with you, located in the book rack of each pew. We look forward to you joining us again.**

# The Lord Is Risen

Choir

The Lord is ris - en.

All

He is ris - en in - deed.

# Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us; Christ, have mer - cy up - on us;

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

# Psalm 22:25-31

Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.

Praise the name of the Lord.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 2 - 9

### TODAY

#### Communion

10:00 a.m. Worship in the sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Youth Group

### MONDAY

9:30 a.m. P W Coordinating Team - Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAY

6:00 p.m. Senior Night - Fellowship Hall  
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

### THURSDAY

5:57 p.m. Handbell Choir

### SATURDAY

Saturday Bread - Robert Lightfoot

### SUNDAY NEXT

10:00 a.m. Worship in the sanctuary  
5:00 p.m. Youth Group

### Session

#### Class of 2021

Janie Dickerson  
Trey Hattaway  
Tom Sartor  
Terry Thrower

#### Class of 2022

David Castles  
Robert Lightfoot  
Janie Terrell  
Pat Watson

#### Class of 2023

Mike Anthony  
Sarah Camp  
Jackie Fout  
Leah Gorman

### Thoughts and Prayers

(\*members of FPC; \*friends and family of congregation)

- \* Verner Laird      \* Kamryn Mann      \* David Nixon
- \* Raymond Bazinet      \* Sylvia Bolding
- \* Joe Brown      \* Max Brant Crim
- \* Linda Curkan      \* Ashley Haden
- \* Kenzie Hyatt      \* Shirley Grubbs Latham
- \* Tillman Latham      \* Nancie Love
- \* Donna Marshall      \* Rex McCubbin
- \* David McElroy      \* Dayne Neal
- \* Larry Perkins      \* Bill Pybas
- \* Charlotte Reed      \* Gordon Reed
- \* Glenda Reid      \* Larry & Linda Willis
- \* Carly Wimberley

### In Service to our Country

Jacob Conner~ Brent Duvall~ Robert Gray~ Gavin Jackson