

Hillside Presbyterian Church
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD / EASTER SUNDAY
April 21, 2019
Order of Worship

Pastor: Rev. Sylvia Wilson

Liturgist: Dawn Wells

Music Director: Bernice Hall

LET US APPROACH GOD

(“” Indicates those who are able will stand; “#####” Indicates Ushers will seat persons arriving late)*

PRELUDE *Christ Arose* Organist

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

LIGHTING THE CANDLES AND PROCESSIONAL

INTROIT *Victory is Mine* Choir
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*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Please Stand*) Dawn Wells

Liturgist: It's true. Christ Jesus lives! The Lord is risen from the dead!

People: The greatest foe has been overcome. Christ is risen!

Liturgist: The journey through the shadow of death is over.

People: This brilliant light of this morning floods our hearts and spirits.

Liturgist: Jesus lives!

People: Jesus lives forever!

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*MORNING HYMN *He Lives (No.275, AAHH)* Choir/Congregation

* INVITATION TO CONFESSION

L: Even the obstacle of death has been removed between us and God. If death no longer stands in our way, we can be sure that our sin does not either. Let us confess our sins that they may be washed away by the mercy of our risen Lord.

*UNISON PRAYER OF CORPORATE CONFESSION

Living God, we confess that we look for the living among the dead. You send Jesus on ahead of us, but we stay behind, studying the tomb. You reveal to us Your heavenly glory, but we set our minds on earthly things. Forgive us; give us new life. Send us forth to share the gospel, with our words and deeds proclaiming the life that death cannot destroy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(A time for quiet, personal confession)

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

L: God, who raised Jesus from the dead, offers us life with Christ and forgiveness in his name.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE**

Choir/Congregation

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen. [Repeat this line 2 times more]
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.*

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dawn Wells

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Rev. Wilson

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LET US LISTEN FOR GOD'S WORD

Easter is... (Children's Easter Speech presentations)

HPC Children and Youth

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PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Dawn Wells

Risen Christ, you show us the path of life; in your presence, there is fullness of joy. Speak to us now as the scriptures are read and proclaimed, that we may know your presence and be filled with gladness in our hearts. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 65:17 – 25 (pg.654)

ANTHEM

God So Loved the World (Stainer)

Choir

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:1 – 12 (pg.84)

Rev. Wilson

SERMON

He Has Risen, Indeed

LET US RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

(Please come forward if you would like to receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior, become a member of Hillside, or rededicate your life to Christ. You can also speak to the pastor or an Elder after the service).

***INVITATIONAL HYMN**

Jesus Saves (No.558, AAHH)

Choir

*UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *From the PCUSA Study Catechism, Question 46*

Pastor: What does it mean that “on the third day” Jesus “rose from the dead”?

All: That our Lord could not be held by the power of death. Having died on the cross, he appeared to his followers, triumphant from the grave, in a new, exalted kind of life. In showing them his hands and his feet, the one who was crucified revealed himself to them as the Lord and Savior of the world.

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GIVING OUR TITHES, OFFERINGS AND PLEDGES

*OFFERTORY *We Shall Behold Him* Philip J. Rodgers (Guest soloist)

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom...(No. 651, AAHH)* Choir/Congregation
*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.*

The Celebration of Holy Communion

*Communion is by Intinction. Ushers will guide rows forward.
Take bread - dip it in wine or juice - and eat before returning to your seat.
Those with limited mobility may remain seated.*

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

Friends, on this Easter Sunday, know that this is the joyful feast of the people of God! It is the Lord’s Table, not ours. It is made ready for you who love him now and all who yearn to love him more. So, come, you who have great faith and you who have little; you who have been at this table for many a year and you who have not been here for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus faithfully and you who have failed. Come all, with thankful hearts!

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Minister: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Minister: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal God, creator, and ruler of the universe. Through fear-filled days and aching nights when the powers of death have done their worst, your love has never deserted us. Even when we turn away from you, you are with us; your presence never fails us, your gifts of hope and new life transform us. We praise you for Jesus Christ, risen to life, eternal as your love. With the women at the tomb, we raise the strain of gladness. Hallelujah! Life is stronger than death! The day of resurrection has come, scattering fear and gloom. And so, we rejoice with all your people of every time and place, and with angels and archangels, to proclaim the glory of your name:

People: (People SING)

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of Hosts,
Heaven and earth are full of Thy glory,
Glory be to Thee, O Lord Most High, Amen.*

Minister: It is Jesus, God incarnate, the Risen Christ, who joins us together as a community of broken but hopeful believers: loving what he loved, living what he taught, and striving to be his faithful servants in our time and place. In this meal we remember Jesus, his promises, and the price he paid for who he was, what he said, and what he did. We do remember. We remember his life of love, his friendship, his teaching, his dying, and his rising to life again. In sharing this meal, we live out the mystery of our faith:

People: [People SING]

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Minister: Bless this bread and this cup, the wheat and the grape, the farmer and the harvest, the seed and the sower. So that in the sharing of these simple elements in community, we may taste and see your goodness. Through Christ, in Christ, and with Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory is yours, God most holy, now and forever.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Elders serving Communion (approach the Table):
Ava Johnson, Sonja McMullen, Justin Killings, Jasman Howell

THE BREAD AND CUP SHARED (Juice in silver cup. Wine in gold cup.)

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Let Us Break Bread Together
O How He Loves You and Me*

*No. 686, AAHH
No. 228, AAHH*

***UNISON PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

Thank you, O Christ, for this feast of life. We are fed by your love; we are strengthened by your life. We are sent forth into this world to live your way and share your joy. We are now commissioned to: feed as we have been fed; forgive as we have been forgiven; love as we have been loved. The Lord is risen indeed! Thanks be to God. Amen.

LET US RETURN TO GOD’S WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN** *Because He Lives (No.281, AAHH)* Choir/Congregation

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***RESPONSE** *Threefold Amen* *No. 646, AAHH*

POSTLUDE *Christ the Lord is Risen Today* Organist

You are invited to refreshments in the Fellowship Hall after Worship Service.

THE WORSHIP CONTINUES THROUGH OUR LOVE AND SERVICE

Acolyte: Faith and Ricky Ector

Ushers: Ralph Sims, Terry Brantley, Castell Jackson, Robert Rounsaville

Media Specialist: Justin Killings



ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Bulletin Submission Deadline: Wednesdays, 3:00 p.m.; CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM

PLEASE BE COURTEOUS

Turn off and put away ALL mobile phones and any other devices with audible tones.

REMEMBER TO SIGN THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER

This is found on the end of each pew. Thank you.

LENTEN BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on Sunday, April 28th for the final session. It is cancelled TODAY.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING Contributions will be collected TODAY.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE

The Celebration of Life for Al Pride will be held at Ray of Hope Christian Church on 2778 Snapfinger Rd., Decatur, GA 30034 on Friday, May 3, 2019 at 11:00 a.m. For directions and more information, please call 770-696-5100. Al passed away unexpectedly on April 3rd.

He was an educator both in the DeKalb County school system and a church school teacher, mentor, and all-around good guy at Hillside...he will be missed. Please keep the family in your prayers and thoughts.

GEORGIA JUSTICE PROJECT FAMILY VISITATION PROGRAM

Our sincere appreciation to Elders Sarah Vaughan and Lelia Crawford for driving Ms. Jackson to visit her son at Hays State Prison in Trion, Georgia on April 13, 2019. Outreach Ministry

HUNGER WALK RUN

Struggling families are counting on us. You can be their champion by joining Hillside Presbyterian Church for a family-friendly fun afternoon to help fight hunger on Sunday, April 28, 2019. Please see posters around church for more information.

HILLSIDE FOOD PANTRY

In March of 2019, the Food Pantry served 121 households, a total of 305 persons. 3,526 pounds of food were distributed. Standing Request for First Sundays: Please bring loaves of bread on 1st Sunday and place cans of tuna, salmon, mackerel, herring, sardines, etc. inside the designated collection receptacle in the Narthex during Lent – thanks so much!

GIVE FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP – 2019 FLOWER CHART POSTED

You may sign up for any of the available dates on the Flower Chart posted at the end of the long hallway/in the Narthex. After doing so, please place \$45 in the offering plate, with a designation for “[DATE flowers are to be acknowledged] Chancel flowers” on your offering envelope and/or check. To personalize your flower message for the Sunday bulletin, please forward your custom message to hillspc@bellsouth.net before or by 3:00 p.m. of the preceding Wednesday. Thank you very much!



Easter Lilies Fund 2019

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Mission Statement

The mission of Hillside Presbyterian Church is that of the church universal: to advance the gospel of Jesus Christ for the salvation of humankind. We are committed to being an inclusive, intergenerational church by creating a caring, Christian community. Hillside reaches out to diverse ethnic and religious groups in our community and beyond to foster a better understanding of all people. We are a servant people, responding to those in need, doing justice, loving mercy, and walking humbly with our God.

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