

Palma Ceia Presbyterian Church

The Connection

Easter Sunday

Easter Sunday — April 20, 2025

Preparing our Hearts

Rising

Let Everything

Welcome and the Life of the Church

House of The Lord

Centering Ourselves for Worship (adapted from Psalm 118)

L: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

P: His steadfast love endures forever.

L: The Lord is my strength and my might;
he has become my salvation.

**P: I shall not die, but I shall live
and recount the deeds of the Lord.**

L: I thank you that you have answered me
and have become my salvation.

**P: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the chief cornerstone.**

L: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**All: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

A Prayer of Adoration

Scripture Lesson Luke 24:1-12

1 But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. 2 They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3 but when they went in they did not find the body. 4 While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5 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. 6 Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, 7 that the Son of Man must be handed over to the hands of sinners and be crucified and on the third day rise again.” 8 Then they remembered his words, 9 and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. 10 Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. 11 But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. 12 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.

Children’s Message

— The Congregation Sings, “What does the Lord require of you?”

Following the Children's Message, children entering PreK3-1st grade are invited to Covenant Hall 101 for Godly Play. The Playground is open to all young children who desire to remain in worship— worshipping with us, offering to God the art they create, the friendships they make, and the energy they share with all of us.

Children 2nd grade and older are invited to remain in the worship spaces.

Passing the Peace of Christ

Mission Celebrations & Sharing Our Gifts

Preparing Ourselves to Hear the Word Proclaimed *As For Me*

Scripture Lesson Isaiah 65:17-25

- 17 For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.
- 18 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.
- 19 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.
- 20 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.
- 21 They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.
- 22 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.
- 23 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.
- 24 Before they call I will answer,
while they are yet speaking I will hear.
- 25 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.

Sermon

Being Sent out into the World
Your Grace Is Enough

Prayer of the Day — Easter Day

**Brightness of God's glory,
and exact image of God's person,
whom death could not conquer
nor the tomb imprison,
as you have shared our frailty in human flesh,
help us to share your immortality in the Spirit.
Let no shadow of the grave terrify us,
and no fear of darkness turn our hearts from you.
Reveal yourself to us this day and all our days,
as the first and the last, the Living One,
our immortal Savior and Lord. Amen.**

Charge & Benediction

Leading in worship today:

*Musicians — Worship Dir. Roger Sullins, Jeff Jinks,
Bryan Sullins, Pete DiFranco*

Technicians — Michael Prichard, Nicole McCutchan, Bob Fjellin

Video & Production: Beth DeBevoise, Scott Wilson, Jackson Fowler

Pastors — Rev. Kenny Hubbell

Liturgist — Elliot Ombres

Thank you for joining us today!

We consider worship a time to gather as the family of God. We carry to this place all of life's joys and challenges, sharing with each other and supporting one another as we go. While it takes time to feel connected to each other and sometimes longer to feel connected to God, we hope that this will be a community where you will feel encouraged, taught, and inspired to know and show God's love.



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