



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 24, 2022

PRELUDE *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus* G.J. Webb/Arr. L. R. Lamb
Valley Ringers

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Pastor Craig

POURING OF WATERS

PASSING THE PEACE

RINGING THE BOWL

CALL TO WORSHIP Pastor Diane
Holy God, Creator of all, the risen Christ taught from Scripture of his death, resurrection and ascension into your glorious presence. May the

living LORD breathe upon us his peace, that our eyes may be opened to recognize him in breaking bread and to follow wherever he leads.

✠ **OPENING HYMN** *Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain* 234

CALL TO PRAYER

By God's great mercy we have been born anew into a living hope through Christ's rising from the dead.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Living God whose absence leaves us paralyzed, but whose assurance is overwhelming. To you no door is barred, no heart is locked, draw us beyond our doubts to see your Christ, touching his wounds where they bleed in others. Breathe on us your abundant life that where we cannot see, we may have courage to believe, that we may be raised with you.

(Silent prayer) Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Strength of those who believe and hope of those who doubt, may we, who have not seen, have faith and receive the fullness of Christ's love. Brothers and Sisters, believe the good news of the Gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

✠ **GLORIA PATRI** 581

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.

ANTHEM

Grace

Arr. M. Hayes

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound;
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found;
I once was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And that same grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour when I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already safely come;
This grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And surely grace will lead me home, I shall go home.

When we've been there then thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun, the glorious sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than since the day we first begun.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen. (CHORAL RESPONSE)

CHILDREN'S TIME

SCRIPTURE

John 20: 19-31

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord.

Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

Now Thomas (also known as Didymus), one of the Twelve, was not with the disciples when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord!"

But he said to them, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe."

Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Jesus performed many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not recorded in this book. But these are written that you may

believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

SERMON

“PULL OVER”

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed

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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, died, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth at 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.

✦ **HYMN**

The Strife Is O’er

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CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Thine Is the Glory
Valley Ringers

G.F. Handel/Arr. J. Raney

**If you haven’t already done so, please print your name in the Fellowship Register.*

✦ **DOXOLOGY**

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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.

✦ **HYMN**

Thine Is the Glory

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✦ **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

✦ **CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *Because He Lives*

Because he lives, I can face tomorrow,
Because he lives, all fear is gone;
Because I know, he holds the future,
And life is worth a living,
Just because he lives.

✦ **POSTLUDE**

Recessional on 'St. Anne'

G. Young

✦ **All those who are able, please stand**

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All Worship Services are available for replay on our website.

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Flowers for the Sanctuary Provided by:

Kathie and Jim Rusk celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary; and
Diane and Steve Larson, celebrating their Wedding this past Friday.

Please remember those hospitalized or in rehabilitation:

Bonnie Wollin, Lorna Kitchak.

The rose on the baptismal font is in honor of: Marian Fjare, who
passed away on April 20, 2022.

UKRAINIAN REFUGEE RELIEF

Those wishing to make an additional offering to support Ukrainian
Refugee Relief can simply write that in the memo line of checks made
out to the church, or with a notation on your giving envelope.

COMING IN MAY: How Martin Luther Changed History

Thursdays, May 5, 12 & 19 at 4:00 p.m. via Zoom, by Bud Landry
In this three-week Zoom course, we will explore the life and times of Martin Luther and how he changed history and the course of Western Civilization. Join me at Bud Landry's Personal Meeting Room <https://my-gcu-edu.zoom.us/j/5904813442> Passcode: Tucson.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need women volunteers to help out at the Saturday, May 14, 2022, Presbytery-wide gathering from 9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

Specifically needed:

- Greeters (8:30 a.m. —9:30 a.m.)
- Ushers for Taizé service (10:15—11:30 a.m.)
- Communion Servers (11:15—11:45 am)

Sign up on Sundays or call Judy Lindsey (315) 430-6538 to volunteer.

EXTENDED COMMUNION

After a two-year absence, extended communion will be resurrected on May 1.

Extended communion is a ministry of the Deacons where communion is brought to the homebound and those in care facilities on Communion Sundays (first Sunday of the month). If you would like to receive communion in your home, or if you know of someone, contact Pastor Diane (pastordiane@valleypres.net; 520-625-5023).

WELCOME to all who enter this place. Drink deeply of the living waters of God's grace as we worship together in spirit.

VISITORS: Consider yourself at home while you are here! Please pick up a Visitor's Information Packet, if you would like more information about our church, visit us at valleypres.net where you can sign up for our daily email blasts and monthly newsletter. Children are invited to worship in the sanctuary then attend Sunday School after Children's Time.

We are glad you have joined us today.

VPC Financial - Attendance / On-Line Viewing Metrics			
Monthly Giving Support Contributions		Weekly Attendance / Viewing	
March-2022		Through Week #16 (04/17/22)	
Monthly Giving Support	\$ 53,770	Weekly Attendance Sanctuary	383
Monthly Giving Budget	89,484	* YTD 2022 Attendance Sanctuary	4,567
*YTD Giving Support	216,714	** Weekly Viewing On-Line	317
*YTD Giving Budget	274,965	** YTD 2022 Viewing On-Line	3,158
		* YTD 2022 Attendance / On-Line	7,725
		* YTD 2021 Attendance Sanctuary	2,070
<p style="text-align: center;">* YTD = Year to Date ** Number of on-line devices tuned into Sunday service</p> <p style="text-align: center;">D. Brooks - VPC treasurer - dxb38@cox.net - 520-399-3959 2022 Per Capita is \$41.50 per member</p>			

UPCOMING THIS WEEK:

Monday, April 25:

- 9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises
- 10:00 am Fellowship Committee
- 2:00 pm Valley Readers

Tuesday, April 26

- 9:00 am Cardio Drumming
- 9:30 am Prayer Ministry
- 2:00 pm Joyful Spirit Ensemble Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 27

- 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
- 9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises
- 10:00 am Chair Exercise with Mia Lee Cooper
- 10:00 am Ministry of Presence
- 1:00 pm YOTO Card Making
- 2:00 pm Bell Rehearsal
- 3:15 pm Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 28

- 8:30 am Session Meeting
- 12:00—4:00 pm Church Office Closed for Teambuilding

Friday, April 29

- 9:00 am Parkinson's Chair Exercises
- 10:00 am Extended Communion Training

Saturday, April 30

- 3:00 pm Civic Orchestra of Tucson Concert

Sunday, May 1 FOOD BANK SUNDAY

- 9:00 am Children's Sunday School
- 9:30 am Worship Service



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