

Announcements

- Children and youth are invited to Faith Formation class following the Passing of the Peace. We also have a hugging room at the back of the sanctuary for parents with young children to use as desired.
- Join us for an Easter Egg Hunt and Brunch following Worship.
- Join our hybrid Bible Study on Wednesdays at 12:00 p.m. Contact Pastor Jim if you would like to receive a Zoom link to join virtually.
- Questers Women's Bible Study meets next on April 13th at 10:30 a.m. in the Common Room.

GOLETA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

APRIL 5, 2026

EASTER SUNDAY

PRELUDE Settings of Easter Carols R.C. Wilson, A.V. Fedak, G.M. Martin

WELCOME Rev. Jim Pazan

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: He is Risen Indeed!

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Katie Pazan

Leader: Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

People: Hosanna! Hosanna!

Leader: Celebrate this day of days!

People: Hosanna! Hosanna!

Leader: Let all creation be amazed!

People: Hosanna! Hosanna! Christ is Risen!

***HYMN OF PRAISE #123** "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

Verse 1

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Verse 2

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

*please rise in body or spirit

Verse 3

But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!
Now above the sky He's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Verse 4

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

Rev. Katie Pazan

The joy of this Easter Sunday reminds us of God's resurrecting power. Let us confess all that turns us toward death, so we can know the grace of new life through Christ.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Savior God, forgive our life-alienating ways, our exclusion and judgment of others; the way we evaluate and compare. Forgive our death-dealing sins, our habits that demean and degrade, our addiction to violent and destructive behavior. Redeem us. Restore us. Resurrect us for life in Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Leader: "Jesus Christ is risen today. But the pains which he endured, our salvation have procured."

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Alleluia. Amen!

CHOIR ANTHEM

"With a Voice of Singing"

Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing, declare ye this,

And let it be heard, Alleluia!

Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.

The Lord hath delivered his people.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

O be joyful in God, all ye lands.

O sing praises to the honor of his name.

Make his praise to be glorious.

With a voice of singing, declare ye this,

And let it be heard, Alleluia!

Alleluia. Declare ye this,

And let it be heard, Alleluia!

PEACE OF CHRIST

Leader: May the Peace of Christ be with you

People: And also with you

HYMN OF PREPARATION #122 "Thine Is the Glory"

Verse 1

Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment Rolled the stone away,
Kept the folded grave clothes Where Thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory, Risen, conquering Son;
Endless is the victory Thou o'er death hast won.

Verse 2

*please rise in body or spirit

Lo! Jesus meets us, Risen from the tomb;
Lovingly He greets us, Scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness Hymns of triumph sing,
For the Lord now liveth; Death hath lost its sting. **[Refrain]**

Verse 3

No more we doubt Thee, Glorious Prince of life!
Life is naught without Thee; Aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors Through Thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan To Thy home above. **[Refrain]**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Divine Redeemer, bearer of life, open us to the wisdom of your Word today and enlighten us with your truth. Liberate us from all that distracts and turns us from your path. Guide us and ground us in Christ's everlasting hope. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 28:1-10

¹ After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, 'He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.' This is my message for you." ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met

them and said, "Greetings!" And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

MESSAGE

"Revived Hope"

Rev. Jim Pazan

SONG OF RESPONSE

"O Come to the Altar"

Spirit Pulse Praise Band; Don Davis, Kris Warner, Janet Votaw,
Ann Lawler, Alison and Ernie Tamminga

Verse 1

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin, Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well, Jesus is calling

Chorus

O come to the altar The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Verse 2

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait, Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born, Jesus is calling

Bridge

Oh what a Savior, Isn't he wonderful, Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him, For he is Lord of all, Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Verse 3

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown

*please rise in body or spirit

Tell the world of the treasure you've found

COMMUNION "Settings of Easter Hymn" Wilbur Held, Healey Willan

OFFERING OURSELVES TO GOD "Christus Resurrexit" Gordon Young

Christ is risen from the dead, Alleluia!

He is risen as he said, Alleluia!

Alleluia, sing we now,

Sing we now together!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Blessed be this holy day, Alleluia!

Alleluia, sing we now,

Sing we now together!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Blessed be this holy day, Alleluia!

Alleluia, sing we now,

Sing we now together!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Christ is risen from the dead, Alleluia!

He is risen as he said, Alleluia!

Alleluia, sing we now,

Sing we now together!

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia!

***DOXOLOGY** *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;*

Praise God, all creatures here below;

Praise God, above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

***CLOSING HYMN #118** "The Day of Resurrection!"

Verse 1

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad;
The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, From this world unto the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over With hymns of victory.

Verse 2

Our hearts be pure from evil, That we may see aright
The Lord in rays eternal Of resurrection light;
And listening to His accents, May hear, so calm and plain,
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, May raise the victor strain.

Verse 3

*please rise in body or spirit

Now let the heavens be joyful, Let earth the song begin,
Let the round world keep triumph, And all that is therein;
Let all things seen and unseen Their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen, Our joy that hath no end.

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Jim Pazan

POSTLUDE

“Alleluias”

Robert Lau

*please rise in body or spirit