



# **The Woodlands Community Presbyterian Church**

**“An Inclusive Church Family: Loving, Sharing, and Serving Christ.”**



## **Easter Sunday Worship April 20, 2025**

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## A TIME TO GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

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\*All who are able, please stand. **Bold** print denotes congregational response

### WELCOME

### EXCHANGE OF GREETINGS

### PRELUDE

*Prelude in D Major (BWV 532a)*  
Bruce Xu, organ

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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## A TIME OF PRAISE AND PRAYER

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### CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus Christ is risen today!

**Alleluia!**

Our triumphant and holy day!

**Alleluia!**

Praise our God, ye heavenly host!

**Alleluia!**

### \*HYMN OF PRAISE 232

*Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

EASTER HYMN

### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**You call us to hope, Savior God, but we despair. You call us to work for peace, but we doubt its power.**

**You call us to community, but we judge and shun. Transform us, Holy One, by the joy of this Easter.**

**Let us celebrate this day as a new beginning and a new life.** (Silent prayers of confession)

In the name of the Risen Christ we pray. **Amen.**

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ conquered death to restore us to life.

Believe this good news. Live this resurrection.

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### \*RESPONSE OF PRAISE 582

*Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me*

GLORY TO GOD

### ANTHEM

*Joy to the Heart*  
WCPC Sanctuary Choir  
Brass and Percussion  
Jonathan Aigner, director  
Bruce Xu, organ

K. Lee Scott (b. 1950)

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## A TIME OF PROCLAMATION

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### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rev. Laura R. Grice

### \*HYMN OF PREPARATION 233

*The Day of Resurrection*

LANCASHIRE

### SCRIPTURE LESSON

John 20: 1 – 18

### SERMON

“The Story of Jesus”

Rev. Dr. David F. Jones

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (from Romans 8)

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## A TIME OF PROMISE

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### 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.

### FAITH IN ACTION

One Great Hour of Sharing

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

### OFFERTORY

*Risen Alleluia!*

Allen Pote (b. 1945)

### \*DOXOLOGY 606

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

OLD HUNDREDTH

### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

8:30 Becky Carlson 11:00 Judy Poythress

### \*HYMN OF COMMITMENT 238

*Thine Is the Glory*

JUDAS MACCABEUS

### \*BENEDICTION

### \*BENEDICTION RESPONSE

"Hallelujah" from *Messiah*  
WCPC Sanctuary Choir

George Frideric Handel (1685 - 1759)

\*The WCPC musicians invite all who wish to sing to join them in the chancel at this time.  
Copies are available on the piano.

### POSTLUDE

*Symphony for Organ No. 5*  
V. Toccata  
Bruce Xu, organ

Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

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**STEPHEN MINISTERS AVAILABLE FOR PRAYER**

Following worship, a Stephen Minister will at the front-right side of the sanctuary to pray with you. Our Stephen Ministers are trained in compassionate listening and confidentiality. There is no need too large or too small to request prayer.

**CHILDCARE FOR WORSHIP**

Childcare, for children under 5, is provided in the Hendricks Building (building to your right across the parking lot as you leave the sanctuary) for the 11 am worship service and in room 100 to the left in the Children's Ed. Building at the 8:30 service. After the children's message staff are available to take children to the nursery rooms or you can walk them too. WCPC believes worship for children is important to spiritual formation, so children of all ages are encouraged and welcome in worship. The Parlor (a room with a viewing window and restroom to the right as you enter the worship space) is available for busy toddlers to roam, continue a meltdown, or privacy to diaper, etc.

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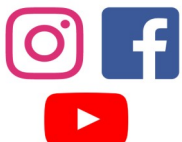
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**TREASURER'S REPORT THRU MARCH 2025**

	<u>March Mtd</u>	<u>Yr to Date</u>
Revenues	\$ 106,601	\$ 325,922
Expenses	\$ (106,881)	\$(276,643)
Net Total	\$ (280)	\$ 49,279
Planned Reserve Transfers	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>Total</b>	\$ (280)	\$ 49,279

**ATTENDANCE**

Attendance on Sunday, April 13, 2025 -- 315  
 (This does not include those who participate online)

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Sunday Worship: 8:30am and 11:00am Sunday School (all ages): 9:45am-10:45am

Pastor: The Rev. Dr. David F. Jones Associate Pastor: The Rev. Laura R. Grice

