

A WORSHIP SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 5, 2026

10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN CHRIST'S NAME

(As one body, let us now pause in silence to focus on worship)

CHIMES

PRELUDE

"Easter Hymn Prelude"

Austin C. Lovelace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

INTROIT

"Christ Arose"

Robert Lowry

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: At dawn, the women came to the tomb—grieving, uncertain, and afraid.

People: **But the stone was rolled away, and the earth trembled with new life.**

Leader: The angel said, "Do not be afraid...He is not here; he has been raised."

People: **Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed!**

Leader: Go quickly and tell the Good News—death does not have the final word.

People: **We are witnesses of resurrection life!**

Leader: The same power that raised Christ from the dead is alive and at work within us.

People: **We will not live in fear—we will rise in love and hope.**

Leader: Come, then—from despair to hope, from death to life.

People: **We come alive in the Spirit, to follow the Risen Christ. Amen.**

*HYMN

"A Song For Easter"

No. 232

CALL TO RENEWAL

Ellen Gove

And so we live our lives imperfectly, for we are flawed. But we are also loved by the God in whose Image we were created. Let us remake ourselves toward that Image as we make our confession before God and each other.

PRAYER OF RENEWAL (IN UNISON)

Ellen Gove

Empowering God, the Risen Christ meets us today and says, "Do not be afraid," yet we confess—we still live in fear. We cling to control. We misuse power—seeking to dominate rather than to love, to protect ourselves rather than to serve. We turn away from suffering and settle for what is safe instead of what is right. Forgive us, O Lord. Roll away the stones within us—the fear, the pride, and the resistance to your Spirit.

By your resurrection power, raise us up—not to rule over, but to lift up, not to wound, but to heal, and not to fear, but to love boldly.

Make us people of resurrection—

alive in your Spirit, united in your love, and walking in the way of Christ. We rise in you. We live in your power and your power lives in us. May we follow in your love. In Christ's name, Amen.

SILENT PRAYER AND MEDITATION

GOOD NEWS OF FORGIVENESS

Ellen Gove

As far as the east is from the west, so have our sins been separated from us. They have been thrown into the sea of forgetfulness, and there, they are remembered no more.

Our thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI

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 and amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, be with you. **And also with you.** (Pass the Peace of Christ.)

OFFERTORY

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

Wolfgang Lampert

*DOXOLOGY *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.

WE LISTEN FOR CHRIST'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 28:1-10; Ephesians 1:18-20; Romans 8:11; Philippians 3:10-11

RESPONSE

May these words of my mouth and this meditation of my heart,
be pleasing in your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. (Ps. 19:14)
Thanks be to God!

SERMON

"Resurrection Power"

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

ANTHEM

"A Song For Easter"

Gordon Young

WE RESPOND TO CHRIST'S WORD

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE HOLY COMMUNION

WE GO FORTH TO SERVE IN CHRIST'S NAME

*HYMN

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

No. 245

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Dr. Stephen D. Adkison

CHORAL BENEDICTION

"Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

POSTLUDE

"The Strife is O'er, the Battle Done"

Alec Wyton

*Please stand, if able

SERVING TODAY

Ushers – Dana Hallman & Karen Hunkele **Coffee Hour** – Joanne Sherman & Debbie Speeches
Liturgist – Ellen Gove

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for: Those affected by natural disasters and ongoing wars; Peter C. Jackson; Blanca Campbell and Jim Nina; Jill Tuttle Albiani; Jackie Tuttle; Barry and Benetta Taylor; Rev. John Moore; Jim Preston; Kathy Zarchin; Teri Brennan; Barbara Preston; Albert Cyr; Sharon Gibbs; Katherine Moore; For the peace and comfort for the family and friends of Carol Hallman Taplin, Andrew Ogar, Paul Surerus, and Linda Bonaccorso

We will gladly list names of any individuals in need of prayer. You may share names by turning in a note from the pew or by emailing the church office prior to Thursday a.m.

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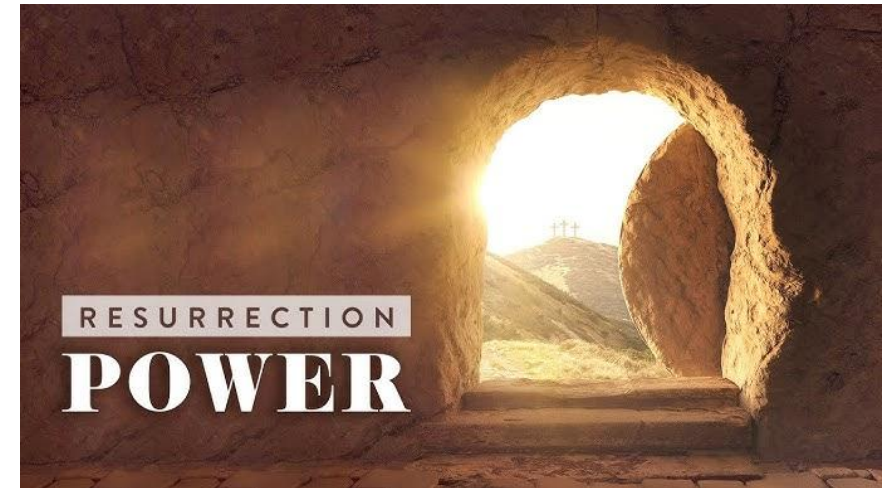
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Resurrection of the Lord/ Easter Day



<p>Session Team - Church Elders Laurie Fanelli / Heather Reylek / Laura Nelsen / Debra Speeches/ William Clark III / Marty Kappauf / Gary Kagawa / Ellen Gove</p> <p>Deacons Team Marianne Baird / Sharon Donno / Lynn Thomson / Roswitha Wissemann / Brenda Bergman / Dana Hallman / Cindy Griffin / Colleen Smith</p> <p>Congregational Nominating Team Heather Reylek / Lynn Thomson / Cindy Griffin / Lynne Weikart</p>	<p><u>This Week</u></p> <table border="0"> <tr><td>Apr. 6th</td><td>Nutrition Program</td><td>7:00-1:00</td></tr> <tr><td>Apr. 7th</td><td>Food Pantry</td><td>4:00-6:00</td></tr> <tr><td>Apr. 8th</td><td>Meals on Wheels</td><td>7:00-11:00</td></tr> <tr><td>Apr. 9th</td><td>Bible Study</td><td>10:00</td></tr> <tr><td>Apr. 10th</td><td>Nutrition Program</td><td>7:00-1:00</td></tr> <tr><td></td><td>Food Pantry</td><td>10:00-1:00</td></tr> </table>	Apr. 6 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00	Apr. 7 th	Food Pantry	4:00-6:00	Apr. 8 th	Meals on Wheels	7:00-11:00	Apr. 9 th	Bible Study	10:00	Apr. 10 th	Nutrition Program	7:00-1:00		Food Pantry	10:00-1:00
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“We envision the Shelter Island Presbyterian Church as a spiritual heart of our small island community –a congregation that keeps its doors open to all and offers service and support to friends, neighbors, and visitors from beyond our shores. We will encourage the spiritual growth of our church's people in Jesus Christ through worship, service to others, stewardship, study and fellowship with one another. We will work to increase our spiritual engagement with youth, young families and our growing senior population. Inspired by God's Word, we look forward to our future with faith and confidence in God's purpose for us. AS WE BELIEVE, SO WE DO.”