



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Greer, South Carolina

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Online Worship~11:00 a.m.

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Crown Him With Many Crowns

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Call to Worship

This is the Good News:
the grave is empty,
Christ has been raised!

Alleluia!

This is the Good News:
the light shines in the darkness
and the darkness can never put it out.

Alleluia!

This is the Good News:
once we were no people,
now we are God's people.

Alleluia!

Hymn # 232

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing,
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King,
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured. Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
who en - dured the cross and grave,
Now a - bove the sky he's King,
Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss.
sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
where the an - gels ev - er sing.
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

It seems likely that this beloved Easter text began in Latin and moved through German before reaching English, where it combined with the present tune in the emerging English evangelical style, a reaction to the restrained one-note-per-syllable psalmody that preceded it.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**This morning, in the multi-colored company of your Church
on earth and in heaven
we celebrate your creation, your life, your death and resurrection,
your interest in us:
so we pray —**

**Lord,
bring new life, where we are worn and tired;
new love, where we have turned hard-hearted;
forgiveness, where we feel hurt and where we have wounded;
and the joy and freedom of your Holy Spirit,
where we are prisoners of ourselves.**

Silent confession

Assurance of Pardon

Moment with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28: 1-10

Sermon

“Do Not Be Afraid”

Dr. Peery

Affirmation of Faith

A Scriptural Affirmation

**This is the good news which we have received,
in which we stand,
and by which we are saved,
since we hold it fast:
that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures,
that he was buried,
that he was raised on the third day,
and that he appeared first to the women,
then to Peter, and to the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe that Jesus in the Christ,
the Son of the living God.
Jesus Christ is the first and the last,
the beginning and the end;
he is our Lord and our God. *Amen.***

Prayers of the People

Offering

Offering of Music

Resurrection Hymn
Wendi Arms, soprano

Townend/Getty

Prayer of Thanksgiving & The Lord's Prayer

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

The Strife Is O'er 236

Refrain (before stanza 1 and after stanza 4)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done; the vic - to -
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
 3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped; Christ ris - es
 4 Lord, by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shouts of ho - ly
 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
 sting thy ser - vants free, that we may live, and

has be - gun.
 joy out - burst.
 ris - en Head!
 sing to thee: Al - le - lu - ia!

The Latin text from which this hymn has been translated may well be older than its earliest printing in a 17th-century collection published in Cologne. It is set to an adaptation of a portion of the Gloria Patri section from a 16th-century choral version of the Magnificat.

TEXT: Latin hymn, c. 1695; trans. Francis Pott, 1861
 MUSIC: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1591; adapt. William Henry Monk, 1861

VICTORY
 8.8.8 with alleluias

Charge & Benediction

Postlude

Toccata from Symphony V

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Welcome to worship on this Easter Sunday. You are invited to indicate your presence by emailing Maggie Wentzky at maggiew@fpcgreer.org.

Today's Call to Worship and Prayer of Confession are from the Wild Goose Worship Group of Glasgow, Scotland.

Please note that we now have the capability to accept your offering via text message. Please text GIVE to 18649993612. You may also give on our website or by mailing a check to the church office.

Special thanks to Lisa Dillard, Pam Turnage, and Wendi Arms for sharing their musical gifts in worship today.

Ministers: All Members of the Congregation
Interim Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Pete Peery
Interim Associate Pastor: The Reverend Berry French
Associate for Pastoral Care, Adult Education and Mission: Whitney Moss
Parish Associate: The Reverend Dr. Al Masters
Director of Music: Lisa Dillard
Assistant Director of Music: Pam Turnage
Praise Team Leader: Wendi Arms