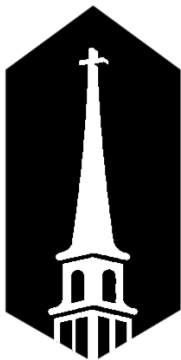


RESURRECTION SUNDAY
April 5, 2026



FIRST SCOTS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Of Beaufort
— PCA —

Prayer of Preparation: “Crucifixion & Resurrection”

Modernized from *The Valley of Vision*

O Lord,

I am amazed that You would take on flesh,
that You would be crucified, die, and
be buried.

The empty tomb fills me with
wonder—
for it stands empty, and You are risen.
The Gospels declare it,
the eyewitnesses confirm it,
and my own heart has come to know
it.

Teach me to die with You, that I may
rise to new life.

I long to be dead to sin—
to selfishness, to the world—
so that I would no longer listen to the
voice of temptation,
but be delivered from its desires.

Lord, there is much in me that is
sinful—crucify it.

There is much in me that is flesh—put
it to death.

Cleanse me from selfishness,
from the fear of man,
from the craving for approval,
from the shame of being thought old-
fashioned,
from the desire to appear refined or
modern.

Help me to count my old life as dead
because of the cross,
and never to nourish it as if it were still
alive.

Give me grace to stand with my
crucified Savior—
content to be rejected,
willing to embrace unpopular truths,
and to hold fast to what is despised,
even to the end.

Make me steadfast and full of Christ,
Keep me from wandering off the path
of obedience to Your will.

Strengthen me for the battles ahead.
Give me courage for every trial, and
grace for every joy.

Make me holy and happy in You—
free from every sinful desire,
from everything that is contrary to
Your heart.

Grant me more and more of the life of
the resurrection:

may it rule over me,
may I walk in its power,
and be strengthened by its presence.

Amen.

THE LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

APRIL 5, 2026

Parents, we are delighted for your little ones to join us in worship! If they need to stretch their legs or lungs during the worship service, please feel free to use the Worshippers in Training room or the nursery during the service.

WELCOME

Rev. Alex Mark
Senior Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP:

Pastor: Christ is Risen!

All: He is Risen Indeed!

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.

***OPENING HYMN:**

Up from the Grave He Arose

Trinity Hymnal #276

OLD TESTAMENT READING/CALL TO CONFESSION: ISAIAH 53

[1]Who has believed what he has heard from us? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? [2]For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground; he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him. [3]He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. [4]Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. [5]But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. [6]All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. [7]He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he opened not his mouth. [8]By oppression and judgment he was taken away; and as for his generation, who considered that he was cut off out of the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people? [9]And they made his grave with the wicked and with a rich man in his death, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. [10]Yet it was the will of

the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand. [11]Out of the anguish of his soul he shall see and be satisfied; by his knowledge shall the righteous one, my servant, make many to be accounted righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. [12]Therefore I will divide him a portion with the many, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong, because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: ROMANS 8:11

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

VOWS OF CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

1. Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OFFERING:

***HYMN OF APPROACH:** Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery see pages 7 & 8

SERMON: “THE WORLD’S VERDICT, THE FATHER’S VINDICATION” Rev. Alex Mark
John 15:18-25

***HYMN OF THANKSGIVING:**

Thine Be the Glory

Trinity Hymnal #274

***BENEDICTION**

**Congregation Standing*

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Words and Music by
Matt Boswell, Matt Papa
and Michael Bleecker

Steady Celtic Groove ♩ = 78

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1. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry in the dawn - ing of the King; He the
2. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry He the per - fect Son of Man; In His
3. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry Christ the Lord u - pon the tree; In the
4. Come be - hold the won - drous mys - t'ry Slain by death the God of life; But no

C#m7 Aadd9 Bsus E

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liv - ing, in His suf - fering Ne - ver trace nor stain of sin. See the
stead of ru - ined sin - ners Hangs the Lamb in vic - to - ry. See the
grave could e'er re - strain Him Praise the Lord; He is a - live! What a

A E/G# C#m7 Bsus Aadd9

long - ing, in our dark - ness Now the Light of Life has come; Look to
true and bet - ter A - dam Come to save the hell - bound man; Christ the
price of our re - demp - tion See the Fa - ther's plan un - fold; Bring - ing
fore - taste of de - liv - rance How un - wa - ver - ing our hope; Christ in

E/B C#m7 A Bsus

Christ, Who con - de - scend - ed Took on flesh to ran - som
great and sure ful - fill - ment Of the law; In Him we
ma - ny sons to glo - ry Grace un - mea - sured, love un -
po - wer re - sur - rec - ted As we will be when He

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hope; Christ in po - wer re - sur - rec - ted As we will be when He comes.

MORNING SERMON TEXT

[18]“If the world hates you, know that it has hated me before it hated you. [19]If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore, the world hates you. [20]Remember the word that I said to you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master.’ If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you. If they kept my word, they will also keep yours. [21]But all these things they will do to you on account of my name, because they do not know him who sent me. [22]If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have been guilty of sin, but now they have no excuse for their sin. [23]Whoever hates me hates my Father also. [24]If I had not done among them the works that no one else did, they would not be guilty of sin, but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father. [25]But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: ‘They hated me without a cause.’”—John 15:18-25

MORNING SERMON NOTES

MORNING SERMON NOTES (CONT'D)

THE LORD'S DAY EVENING

April 5, 2026

Hymn Sing

Rev. Alex Mark
Senior Pastor

Call to Worship

Hosea 6:1-3

[1]“Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. [2]After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. [3]Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.”

**Opening Hymn:*

Worship Christ, the Risen King!

Trinity Hymnal #286

Scripture Reading:

Acts 5:1-11

Evening Prayer

Scripture Reading & Sermon: “THE LIPS OF A PRIEST SHOULD
GUARD KNOWLEDGE”
Malachi 2:1-9

Rev. Tom Brown
Assistant Pastor

**Closing Hymn:*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Trinity Hymnal #296

Benediction

**Congregation Standing*

MALACHI 2:1-9

[1]“And now, O priests, this command is for you. [2]If you will not listen, if you will not take it to heart to give honor to my name, says the LORD of hosts, then I will send the curse upon you and I will curse your blessings. Indeed, I have already cursed them, because you do not lay it to heart. [3]Behold, I will rebuke your offspring, and spread dung on your faces, the dung of your offerings, and you shall be taken away with it. [4]So shall you know that I have sent this command to you, that my covenant with Levi may stand, says the LORD of hosts. [5]My covenant with him was one of life and peace, and I gave them to him. It was a covenant of fear, and he feared me. He stood in awe of my name. [6]True instruction was in his mouth, and no wrong was found on his lips. He walked with me in peace and uprightness, and he turned many from iniquity. [7]For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and people should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts. [8]But you have turned aside from the way. You have caused many to stumble by your instruction. You have corrupted the covenant of Levi, says the LORD of hosts, [9]and so I make you despised and abased before all the people, inasmuch as you do not keep my ways but show partiality in your instruction.”

EVENING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES

I. THE WICKED PRIESTHOOD WARNED (v. 1-4)

EVENING SERMON OUTLINE & NOTES (CONT'D)

II. THE TRUE PRIESTHOOD DEFINED (v. 5-7)

III. THE PRESENT PRIESTHOOD CONTRASTED (v. 8-9)