



## WHO ARE WE?

On October 4, 1958, a group of about 100 Christians from downtown Los Angeles sensed God's leading to begin a new church ministering to people in West LA. With a heavy burden on their hearts to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ and show God's love to this area of the city, the group purchased this land we stand on today in Playa del Rey and held their first worship service on August 30, 1959. We continue to believe that God deserves to be worshiped here and desire to reach out to the people of Los Angeles and those visiting this city, in order to show them how real He is and how amazing His love is for us all.

## WHERE DO I FIT IN?

We've actually been prayerfully waiting for you. We truly believe that it was not by accident that we had the joy of meeting you today. So, above all else we want to express God's love to you with genuine heartfelt warmth. There is a place for you!

**BELONG:** share life in the Del Rey Church community

**BELIEVE:** embrace the gospel of Jesus Christ

**STUDY:** learn as a disciple – listen online, read, take a class

**SING:** come sing together in worship of our God as His church

**CRY:** weep with those who weep... it's OK to cry

**GIVE:** use your time, talent and treasure for God's mission

**GROW:** join a community group and grow with others

**PRAY:** depend on God and ask Him to work in and through you

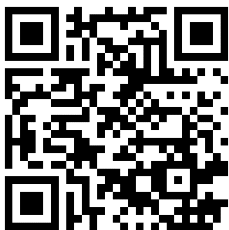
**INVITE:** share Christ with others and welcome them to church

**JOIN:** become a formal member of God's church here

## HOW DO I CONNECT? WHERE DO I FIT IN?

Fill out the Connection Card at church and/or email [connect@delreychurch.com](mailto:connect@delreychurch.com) and we'll be in touch. Blessings!

GET THE SUNDAY BULLETIN ONLINE...



CHECK OUT THE DEL REY CHURCH app for your cellphones and tablets...



# HAPPY EASTER!!!

## We are so happy you're here!!!

Today we are excited to welcome you to a celebration of the historic holiday of Easter or what we also call Resurrection Sunday. We will read Scripture, pray, sing songs together, and hear a message spoken by one of our pastors, Dr. Matt Jones. We are thrilled to see you this morning and for everyone to be together on this important day—Resurrection Sunday—because for thousands of years believers have been meeting on this day to commemorate the historical Jesus rising from the dead and to hear His gospel preached, experiencing God's word alongside the power of the Spirit among us to conform us to the image of the Son for the glory of the Father. We hope you enjoy the service.

*If you are in need of prayer or have any questions about our church, we would love to hear from you. Please email us at [connect@delreychurch.com](mailto:connect@delreychurch.com)*

For anyone who couldn't make it to church you can share with them our livestream of the service at →



or go to [www.delreychurch.com/live](http://www.delreychurch.com/live)

FOR MORE INFO:

[www.delreychurch.com](http://www.delreychurch.com)

## About our DRC Sunday Service | Easter Sunday | March 31, 2024

We truly believe that our time together on Sundays is special and life-transforming. Below is our general order of service as we worship God.

**PRAYER, SCRIPTURE, & CHARITY.** The service begins with a reading of scripture and go to Him in prayer, recognizing the One we have gathered to worship. God's mercies are new every morning. That said, as gives us grace we want to give to others, so we collect food for the poor in the wooden barrel as we enter church each week. Freely we receive and give.

**SINGING TOGETHER.** We joyously join together in song in praise of the Triune God. Singing helps us to connect our hearts and minds to God and it unites us as we rejoice in the gospel.

**CHURCH NEWS / FELLOWSHIP.** We give church announcements of important things that are happening in our congregation, of how to get involved, where you can serve, and how you can grow in faith/life.

**STUDYING SCRIPTURE / HEARING GOD'S WORD.** We open God's word to study what it says and apply it. The Bible is God's self-disclosure to His people. It is a light unto our paths and sustenance for our souls.

**RESPONDING IN SONG, COMMUNION, AND OFFERING:** Having received God's word, we respond in worship by singing and coming forward to the communion table to partake in a cup of juice and bread, which are memorial pictures of the sacrifice of the incarnate Son of God, Jesus Christ, whose body was broken, and blood was shed for our redemption. On the communion tables there are charity boxes for giving offerings, which we joyfully and sacrificially give, along with our prayer/connection cards that are offered in the same box on the tables.

**CLOSING PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP, & SCATTERING FOR MISSION.** Having responded in repentance and faith to God's word by His Spirit, we close the service in prayer and make sure to linger to say hello as we leave to our calling as children of God to be witnesses of His love and grace.

---

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

April 8 (Mon) – Women's Worship Night

April 12 (Fri) – Father Daughter Prom 6-9pm

April 19 (Fri) 9:30am to noon – DRC Homeschool Co-Op Academy Day

April 20 (Sat) – Men's Group 7am Breakfast (Men's Study 27 April - 8 June)

May 12 (Sun) – Mother's Day Sunday 10am

May 13 (Mon) – Women's Group launch 7pm (ends 8 July)

May 17 (Fri) – DRC Homeschool Co-Op Academy Music Recital

June 20-22 - Youth Summer Camp

---

For more details on things at church, please visit us online at:

[www.delreychurch.com](http://www.delreychurch.com)

# SERMON "TAKING THE L"

NOTES Easter 2024 at/with Del Rey Church  
Pastor Matt Jones, PhD., DM, MTh, MA

---

❶ Existence and Revelation

❷ Easter's Resurrection (Luke 24, cf. Mt. 28, Mk. 16, Jn. 20, 1 Cor. 15)

❸ Exact Recording (see Luke 1:1-4)

❹ Evidence Reckoned (Luke 1-23)

Hard Texts

Historical Truths

Hijinks of Trial

❺ Empty Tomb (Luke 24)

❻ Examining Reality (Luke 1-24)

❼ Earnestly Responding

WHAT ARE  
THE FOUR  
"L'S"????

---

## COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

Reflective Questions for You and Your Small Group

---

1. What aspects of the Easter story do you find most meaningful or significant personally, and why? Can you share any personal experiences where the resurrection of Jesus has had a tangible effect on your life or circumstances?
2. How does the resurrection challenge conventional understandings of life and death in our culture? How does it challenge and comfort you personally?
3. How might you apply the teachings from the sermon to your daily life? How can you share it with others? Rehearse the 4 "Ls" covered in the sermon.
4. How does the Easter message of hope and renewal speak to the challenges or struggles you may be facing currently? As well, how does the historical reality of the resurrection of Jesus speak to our greatest struggle with sin and death?
5. How can we pray for your holiness and witness? Share, discuss, and pray.