

# FORT STREET

**EASTER SUNDAY**

**APRIL 5, 2026**



*"DETAIL OF EMPTY TOMB"*

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## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 5, 2026 | 11:00 AM  
Easter Sunday

Prelude

*Finale*

C. Saint-Saens

### Call to Worship

Leader: Early in the morning, the stone was rolled away. Even when doubt lingered and questions remained,

**People: Christ was there among them.**

Leader: We come with joy, with wonder, with curiosity.

**People: We come to encounter new life.**

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed!**

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

### \*Hymn #232

#### *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

**1** | Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss.  
Alleluia!

**2** | Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save.  
Alleluia!

**3** | But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!  
our salvation have procured. Alleluia!  
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!  
where the angels ever sing.  
Alleluia!

**4** | Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!  
Praise our God, ye heavenly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia!

### Prayer of Confession

Rev. Sarah Logemann

**God of hope, we confess that we do not always live as people of new life. We cling to fear when you invite us into freedom. We tell old stories of scarcity and despair when you are writing a story of abundance. Open us to the mystery and joy of new life so that we might live as your Easter people. Amen.**

\* Please stand in body or in spirit

**Time for the Child in Us All**

**\*Hymn #248**

**1** | Christ is risen!  
Shout Hosanna!  
Celebrate this day of days!  
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:  
all creation is amazed.  
In the desert all-surrounding,  
see, a spreading tree  
has grown.  
Healing leaves of grace  
abounding  
bring a taste of love unknown.

*Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

**2** | Christ is risen!  
Raise your spirits  
from the caverns of despair.  
Walk with gladness in the  
morning.  
See what love can do and dare.  
Drink the wine of resurrection,  
not a servant, but a friend.  
Jesus is our strong companion.  
Joy and peace shall never end.

**3** | Christ is risen!  
Earth and heaven  
nevermore shall be the same.  
Break the bread of new creation  
where the world is still in pain.  
Tell its grim, demonic chorus:  
"Christ is risen! Get you gone!"  
God the First and Last is  
with us.  
Sing Hosanna everyone!

**Scripture Reading**

Matthew 28

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

**Sermon**

*Fake News at the Empty Tomb*

Rev. Garrett Mostowski

**Offertory**

*The Heavens Are Telling*  
F.J. Haydn

Fort Street Singers

**\*Doxology**

*Hymn #606*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;  
praise God above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**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.**

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**\*Hymn #246**

*Christ is Alive!*

**1** | Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

**3** | In every insult, rift, and war  
where color, scorn, or wealth divide,  
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, where even hope has died.

**5** | Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love, and praise.

**2** | Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now,  
and touching every place and time.

**4** | Women and men, in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.

**Blessing**

Rev. Garrett Mostowski

**Postlude**

*Vexilla Regis*

E. Titcomb

**Coming Soon at Fort Street**

**April 12, 19, 26** | 12:15 PM | The Gathering: The Ever-Changing Bible

**April 26** | 12:00 PM | Food Bag Packing

**April 26** | 2:00 PM | Jazz at Fort Street: Alvin Waddles

**May 17** | 2:00 PM | Jazz at Fort Street: Brendon Davis

**May 31** | 11:00 AM | Baptismal Remembrance Service

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**Pastors:** Rev. Sarah Logemann & Rev. Garrett Mostowski

**Director of Music Ministry:** Patrick Kuhl

**Cantor:** Micah Speice



# Easter Flowers

## Given by

Jack and Kate Callas – *In loving memory of Elena*

Yvonne Cameron – *In loving memory of Jack A. Cameron from Yvonne Cameron and all of us who loved him*

Jan & Gary Cornillaud – *In memory of Shirley & Howard DeKarsky*

Marion & Greg Jenkins – *In memory of Uwe & Else Giese, In memory of Richard & Jean Jenkins*

Craig McLean – *In Memory of James A. Benoit*

Lynn Montgomery – *In honor of my friends, Loretta Stanton and Craig McLean*

Kathleen Neuman – *In memory of my loving husband, John Neuman*

Dorothy Sanders – *In memory of Minnie James, Grandmother*

Sabrina Smith – *In memory of the Smith family*

The Turner-Walker Family – *In loving memory of Elder Dolores Edris Walker Turner (1935-1995)*

Delphine Tyus – *In memory of Henry Tyus*

Jessie & Kalu Uduma – *In honor of our children Emeka and Ozi Uduma*

Willane and Jim Woods – *In memory of Bill & Elaine Krell, Ace & Iola Woods, Jack Krell, Mabel Johnson, May Mettler*