



Highland Hills

BAPTIST CHURCH

The Worship of God

Easter Sunday

April 5, 2026

The Chiming of the Hour

The Organ Prelude

“Festal Flourish”

Gordon Jacob

The Call to Worship

Jayne Gammons

The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said.”

He is not here;

He is in the world, raising hope and peace.

He is not here;

He is in our lives, raising us up from sin.

He is not here;

He is in our hearts, raising us up to love.

The risen Christ;

In the risen Christ, we are saved, now and always. Hallelujah! Christ has risen!

The Invocation and Welcome to Worship

Ethan Browne

The Lord be with you

And also with you.

*The Hymn of Procession 194

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

EASTER HYMN

A Reading from the New Testament

Colossians 3:1-4

Larry Brumley

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The Children's Message

Ben Browne

*The Hymn of Offering 200

“In the Garden”

GARDEN

*The Prayer of Giving

Anne Heath

The Offertory

“Let Heaven and Earth Rejoice”

Johann S. Bach

*The Doxology 706

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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A Reading from the New Testament

Matthew 28:1-10

Caitlin Childers Brown

After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

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The Anthem	“Praise the Name of the Lord”	J. S. Bach, ed. William Martin
The Message	<i>Better Call: Jesus Answered</i>	Caitlin Childers Brown
The Affirmation of Faith		Caitlin Childers Brown
	Easter people, Christ is risen! God is doing a new thing! Hallelujah! Christ is risen!	
	Life has conquered death! Love has overcome fear! Hallelujah! Christ is risen!	
	God has transformed a dead end into a new start! Hallelujah! Christ is risen!	
	Easter people, raise your voices! Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Hallelujah!	
*The Hymn of Response 219	“Hail the Day that Sees Him Rise”	LLANFAIR
The Opportunities for Service		Ethan Brown
The Benediction		Caitlin Childers Brown
	May the wisdom of the Creator guide us, The peace of Christ embrace us, And the love of the Holy Spirit empower us, To join the work of God dawning all around.	
The Choral Response	“Hallelujah!” (from Messiah, HWV 56)	George Frideric Handel