

10:30AM, APRIL 27, 2025

*Indicates please stand as you are able. **Bold** text is read in unison.

WE GATHER AS GOD'S PEOPLE

GATHERING MUSIC & CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prelude

"Easter Carol"

Called by God to be the heart, voice, hands, and feet of Christ where the Spirit leads us.

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Rev. Dr. Hal Breitenberg

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*CALL TO WORSHIP

God of peace, we enter this holy room knowing your grace and mercy are often rejected in the world. **Yet we understand that rejection is not the end of the story.**

We know that earthly builders and rulers of the world do not have the final word.

The Gospel of Grace is the Lord's doing.

Despite powers and principalities,

this is the day the Lord has made.

Grace is the ground upon which we walk.

Let us rejoice and be glad.

*HYMN OF PRAISE

"That Easter Day with Joy was Bright"

No. 254

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we have found ourselves in fear, locked in rooms of inaction and indecision, unclear where we are called or what we could offer. We have refused to see, so we might not have to believe the gospel and live our lives accordingly. God of new life, restore hope throughout our bodies. Help us to breathe again. Even as we have looked away, come to see us, call us forth from our locked rooms and bring us out to walk with you in the world you so love.

...Continuing in Silent Prayer...





Lord, have mer-cy up-on us. Christ, have mer-cy up-on us. Lord, have mer-cy up-on us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORY TO GOD

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our LORD Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

ANTHEM

"I Believe in a Hill Called Mount Calvary" Quartet: Pam Burch, Craig Moore, Eric Johnson, Jim McLeskey Gaither

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

We invite children ages 4-11 to attend our "Little Lights" Bible study in Room 105 following the Time with Young Disciples. We ask parents to please meet their children following worship. Our church nursery is located down the hall in Room 104 for children under four. Our ushers can guide you to either location if needed.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy God, we have come here for a word of life. As we seek you in your Word, meet us here. Grant us your wisdom and your hope. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING	Acts 5:27-32	pg. 123
The word of the LORD. Thanks be to God.		
NEW TESTAMENT READING The word of the LORD. Thanks be to God	John 20:19-31 I.	pg. 115
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SERMON

"For Fear of the Jews"

Rev. Dr. Hal Breitenberg

Jillian Gatewood

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

REFLECTIVE MUSIC (seated)	"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"	arr. McFarland
This is H	<i>ymn</i> No. 817, if you would like to read the lyrics as the Choir sings.	

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (pg. 35)

DEDICATION OF OURSELVES, OUR TITHES, AND OUR OFFERINGS

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of abundance, take these gifts, which were already yours, and use them to knit us closer to each other and closer to the world you so love. Amen.

WE GO TO LOVE AND SERVE THE WORLD

*HYMN	"Praise the Lord! God's Glories Show"	No. 33
*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION		

*POSTLUDE

"The Heavens Are Telling"

Haydn

No. 606

During the postlude, we invite you to move to Duntreath Hall to join us for fellowship time.

Adapted from Liturgy written by Rev. Karen Rohrer and provided free by the Presbyterian OUTLOOK.

WORSHIP LEADERS

Rev. Dr. Hal Breitenberg, Parish Associate; Jillian Gatewood, Director of Christian Formation; Michelle Tuck, Director of Music; Sarah Cothern, Organist/Accompanist; Camellia Wroniewicz, Liturgist; Jack Groves, Acolyte; Tate Wilson, Livestream and Sound Operator

The flowers are given by Dave and Kathy Bauer to the glory of God and in honor of Jack Tenorio, and by Kathy Bauer in honor of Dave Bauer.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

Welcome to Tuckahoe Presbyterian Church! We're glad you're with us today. If you want to learn more about our church and ways to engage, please fill out the visitor card in the pew cardholder. Place the completed card in the offering plate in the foyer or hand to an usher. If you have questions, please look for someone with a purple ribbon on their nametag. We invite you to join us after the service in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and a time to get to know each other!

Childcare is available for children 3 and under in the nursery (ushers can guide you if needed). We also have **children's bulletins** and crayons in the hallway.

Livestream during the service can be found in *The Commons* down the main hall if the need arises. Ushers can guide you.

Get Connected: See our Small Groups Flyer in the Resource Center (between the Sanctuary and the Fellowship Hall) for ways to connect with others with similar interests or to join a Small Group.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

We invite you to sign in using the Friendship Pad located at the end of each pew. This is optional; however, it is a helpful way for us to know how many people attend each week. Please fill out as much or as little information as you would like and pass the pad down your row.

If you have **prayer requests**, you can list them on the prayer cards tucked in the cover of the friendship pads. Please place the completed card in the prayer box in the Narthex. You can also email prayer requests directly to Pastor Keli at <u>kcooper@tuckahoepres.org</u>.

For collection of the Offering, the Plates will be located at the entrances to the Sanctuary, in the Narthex. As you enter the Sanctuary, you can place your offering in the plate. Thank you for your faithful giving.

Sign-up calendars for Flower Dedications and Fellowship Hour Hosts are available online. The links are on our main website page at the bottom of the event blocks section. Questions? Contact the office at <u>office@tuckahoepres.org</u>.

We have two special services coming up that you do not want to miss! Sunday, May 11th, Children-Led Worship, where our Little Lights will lead us, and Sunday, June 1st, our TPC Youth will lead us. Youth Sunday planning sessions will be held during the Youth Group on May 4th and May 25th. *If you would like to be a part of this special service, contact Jillian Gatewood at <u>IGatewood@tuckahoepres.org</u>. For more information about upcoming youth group activities and our summer youth retreat, visit: <u>www.tuckahoepres.org/learn/youth-ministry/.</u>* Do you have a 2025 Graduate? We'd love to be able to share with your family the joy of knowing about this important milestone in the life of your loved ones. If you have a 2025 graduate from high school/technical school/college/graduate school, please fill out the form by May 15 here: <u>www.tinyurl.com/TPCgraduates</u>. We will be listing graduates in the June 1 bulletin on Youth Sunday. Email Cori Williams in the church office at <u>office@tuckahoepres.org</u> with any questions.

VBS is just two months away, and we have donation items needed! This year's theme, "What Every Living Thing Needs," reminds us of the care and nourishment it takes to help things grow. In Duntreath Hall, you'll find a tree display of VBS items needed — please consider taking a tag, and then write your name on the sheet with the item you're donating. We're still looking for helping hands and giving hearts to bring this special week to life. Whether you volunteer your time or contribute supplies, every gift you give helps plant seeds of faith and community. "The earth brought forth vegetation: plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit with the seed in it. And God saw that it was good." – Genesis 1:12 & Let's make something truly good together this summer!

Spring Clean-Up & Clean-Out Day – Saturday, May 10, starting at 8am. Mark your calendars and join us for a productive and rewarding workday at Tuckahoe! We have a variety of indoor and outdoor tasks to help spruce up our church grounds. In addition, we'll be clearing out several storage areas to make room for Tuckahoe Montessori School as they settle into their new home. We'll kick things off with coffee and donuts at 8 AM, then dive into the work. Whether you can stay all day or just spare a few hours (anytime until about 2 PM), your help will make a big difference and is truly appreciated! If you have any questions or ideas for projects, please reach out to Tom Lee at 804-339-2088.

Are you looking for a Summer Camp? Camp Hanover, a ministry partner of the Presbytery of the James, holds day and overnight summer camp programs for youth currently in grades 1-11. For more information or to register, visit <u>www.camphanover.org/summer-camp</u>.

Camp Hanover Family Camp is May 16-18. Find details at <u>www.CampHanover.org</u>.

The Fellowship Committee will host the FREE Richmond Pops at a *Concert and Picnic* **on Sunday**, **June 8**th on the church front lawn from 4:30-6:30 pm. Renowned as "*Central Virginia's Finest Community Concert Band*", the Pops will be starting their concert at 5:00 pm. You are welcome to bring <u>your own picnic</u> if you would like. The Fellowship Committee will be providing beverages and desserts. A limited number of tables and chairs will be set up as well. Questions? Please contact Jeanne Webster or Kit Crawford.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at our Easter Services! Be sure to visit our social media for some amazing photos and a recap of the sermon!



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