

GATHERING

PRELUDE “This Joyful Eastertide” Charles Wood

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

INTROIT “Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!”
Melchoir Vulpius

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Praise God in God’s sanctuary!

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Praise God for God’s mighty deeds!

Praise God according to God’s surpassing greatness!

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!

Hallelujah!

Let us worship God!

HYMN # 246 “Christ Is Alive” TRURO

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O God, your love is boundless

and your grace exceeds our imaginations.

You keep finding ways to be among us,

even when the doors of our hearts are locked.

Graciously, you seek us out.

We cannot hide,

but we can confess that sin has us in its grip.

It has led us from your ways

and corrupted our best intentions,

tempting us to believe that you don’t notice,

that you aren’t present.

Correct our vision.

Cleanse our hearts.

Create in us a place where we can welcome you

and receive the fullness

of what you have given us in Jesus Christ.

(Silent Confession)

KYRIE #551

Lord, have mercy, Christ, have mercy, Lord, have mercy upon us.

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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Through the resurrection of Jesus Christ,

the power of sin has been defeated.

God’s love is stronger still.

This is the good news!

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

+RESPONSE #581 GLORIA PATRI

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. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

THE WORD

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING Jeremiah 31: 31-34

Pew Bible Page 735

ANTHEM “Hymn of Promise” Natalie Sleeth

Chancel Choir

GOSPEL READING John 20: 19-23, 30

Pew Bible Page 115

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks Be to God.

SERMON “A Life Changing Story” Rev. Dr. Richard Hawks

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

+UNISON AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 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.

+HYMN # 243 “Be Not Afraid” BE NOT AFRAID

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD’S PRAYER

THE OFFERTORY Cents-Ability

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An offering plate is located in the rear of the sanctuary or you may mail your

contribution to First Presbyterian Eufaula at 201 N. Randolph Ave, Eufaula, AL 36027,

drop it by the church office, or give online at www.firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give.

+DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here

below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy

Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SENDING

+CLOSING HYMN #248 “Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”

HYMN TO JOY

+BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE “Postlude on Easter Hymn” arr. Sikes

+ Congregation Standing

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME: We welcome back to our pulpit today, Rev. Dr. Richard Hawks.

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning and ask that you please sign the Friendship pad in your pew. Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the Triune God. In worship we acknowledge God, who is present in the world and in our lives. As we respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, we are transformed and renewed. In worship, we offer ourselves to God and we are equipped for God's service in the world.

Visitors: We extend a special welcome to those who are visiting with us this morning. We invite you to come back and worship with us as often as possible. If you would like more information about our church, please see one of our Elders.

April 27th, Cents-Ability, special offering.

WOW Dinner at 5:15 on Wednesday with Bible Study afterwards.

Giving Fence needs items. If you have anything that you don't need or want and think it is in good shape, please donate it for our Giving Fence. Also needed are personal and household items.

Can Cross needs food items. Please give what you are able to help those who need food in our community. Please place your items in the Can Cross outside the pastor's office.

Wednesday Noon Prayer Service will meet at the front of the sanctuary at noon.

Large print editions of the **Glory to God Hymnal** are available for use and can be obtained from an usher.

Offering: You may now give online if you prefer using your debit/credit card. Go to <https://firstpresbyterianeufaula.org/give> on your phone and the website will direct you.

Cares & Concerns: David Nix, Jerry Hart, Teresa Barrett, Kaitlin Hoover Black, Betty Suddath, Judy Umstattd, Eden Coates, Jada Register, Fred McWaters, Carter McDonald, James Thompson, Legary McBride, Darryl Kornegay, Reverend Dr. Joe Johnson, Reverend Dr. Ralph Wooten, Melissa Scholl, Cathy Childree, Frankie Ammons, Jack & Sherry Harrison, Scott Black, Della Huffman, Sheila Carter, Carla Collins, Hilda Retherford, Sid Chapman, Linda Creel, Charlie Speake. Please pray for our church and the Pastor Nominating Committee, specifically during their regular meeting on Thursdays at 4:00. At this time, please stop what you are doing and pray.

Worshippers at Home: Pegge Abraham, Jane Price

Military Members: Nicole Barrett, Lamar Flowers

College Students: Jake Cournoyer, David Dixon, James Dixon, Haley Helbing, Benjamin Powers, Jake Taylor, Tabettha Taylor, Hailey Beard

Weekly Calendar

Sunday, April 27th

10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 AM -Worship with Rev. Dr. Richard Hawks

Wednesday, April 29th

12:00 noon – noon prayer
5:15 PM – WOW Dinner with Bible Study afterwards

Thursday, April 30th

5:30 PM – PNC meeting

Sunday, May 4th

10:15 AM - Coffee and Fellowship
11:00 AM – Worship

SESSION

<i>Class of 2025</i>	<i>Class of 2026</i>	<i>Class of 2027</i>
Eddie Fiquett	Callie Strickland	Arnie Cutchen
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