

PRELUDE *He Is Risen, He Is Risen/I Know That My Redeemer Lives* arr. Sam Ellson
Teresa Wheeler, Organist

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* EASTER HYMN
Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, he heav'ns and earth, reply, Alleluia!
Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia!
Christ hath opened Paradise, Alleluia!
Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like Him, like Him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grav, the skies, Alleluia!

***INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER** Ellis Wheeler, Deacon
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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** Ellis Wheeler

WELCOME AND OPPORTUNITIES Trey Davis
Thank you for choosing to worship with us at The Ridge today! If you are visiting, please fill out one of the green cards on the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate at the end of the service. We're so glad to have you here, and we're grateful to know of your presence with us.

***HYMN 268** *The Risen Christ* Getty & Madeira

***RESPONSIVE READING** Trey Davis
Even on this joyous day of celebration let us not forget that we are sinful and broken people. Though we often turn our backs to God, he continues to turn his heart toward us.

God has given us the precious gift of salvation in and through the life, the death, and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Almighty God, you love us but we have not loved you; you call us but we have not listened. We walk away from people in need and we are wrapped up in our own concerns. We have been silent in the presence of evil, prejudice, hatred and greed.
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So Lord, help us to face up to ourselves, so that as you move toward us in mercy, we may change our hearts and lives, turn to you, and receive forgiveness through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the Good News! Friends, believe the good news of the gospel. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. As God's own people: be merciful in action, kind and humble. Always be as ready to forgive as the Lord has forgiven you.

Above everythingn else be loving, and never forget to be thankful for what God has done for you. Give thanks to God for he is good—for God's love lasts forever. Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

ANTHEM *Alleluia! He Is Risen* Bob Hurd

MORNING PRAYER Trey Davis

SPECIAL MUSIC *For the One* Jenn Johnson
Amy Kemp, soloist

SCRIPTURE READING *Luke 23:50-24:12* Ellis Wheeler
LEADER: These are the scriptures of God for the people of Christ.
PEOPLE: May the Spirit grant us understanding.

SERMON *These Words Seemed an Idle Tale* Trey Davis

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT 277** *He Is Lord* arr. Ken Barker
During this hymn, we invite you to reflect upon your relationship with God and your commitment to Christian service. If you would like to make a commitment to Christ or to become a member of Ridge Road Baptist Church, we invite you to come forward to speak with a pastor.

***PASTORAL BENEDICTION** Trey Davis
As we go out into the world, we look for opportunities to share our blessings with others. If you would like to contribut e to the ministry here at Ridge Road Baptist Church, offering plates are available on the altar up front for your gifts.

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE** *He Is Lord* arr. Ken Barker
He is Lord, He is Lord!
He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess
That Jesus Christ is Lord.

POSTLUDE *The Strife is O'er* arr. Sam Ellson

**please stand as you are able*

Foushee Prayer Requests & Praises:

Praise God that Katarina's husband has safely arrived in Japan! We are grateful that the family is finally back together and look forward to helping to support them as they learn life as a family in Japan.

We **praise** God for the Japan Baptist Convention's decision to support the Fukui Baptist Church project! Funds will be provided to build a new church building to better serve their community.

Pray for Kanazawa Baptist Church and the Sugiyama family in this difficult season.

Pray for a group of three from FBC Dalton, GA, one of our CBF Encourager Churches, who will come in April to dream with us about ways we can deepen our partnership in service together.



The Ridge Road Baptist Church family extends its sympathy to Elizabeth and Corey Mocka following the loss of her father, Byron Keith Harris, on March 30, 2023.

The Ridge Road Baptist Church family also extends its sympathy to Julie and Jim Jones following the loss of her father, Willard Braxton (Tom) Hinnant on April 2, 2023.

Please remember these families in prayer.

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Church Members:

Mary B. Carraway	Felicia Goodman
Betty Duke	Terry Kemp
Bob & Jane Edwards	Patricia Lynn
Joe Ellen	Linda Pleasants
Martha Flynn	Helen Prevette

Family and Friends:

Linda Creech (mother of Paige Kay)
Joel & Allison Cresimore
Linda DeSchreiver (niece of Jane Edwards)
Virginia Herran (sister of Jo Cresimore)
John & Jennifer LeMay (daughter and son-in-law of Jo Cresimore)
Ashley Lynn (niece of Patricia Lynn)
Marygena Lynn (sister-in-law of Patricia Lynn)
Martha Marcom (cousin of Patricia Lynn)
Tommy Jenkins (former member)



Saturday, April 22

9:00 am — Noon

DEACON OF THE DAY

Today.....Ellis Wheeler
Next Week (April 16).....Charlotte Craver

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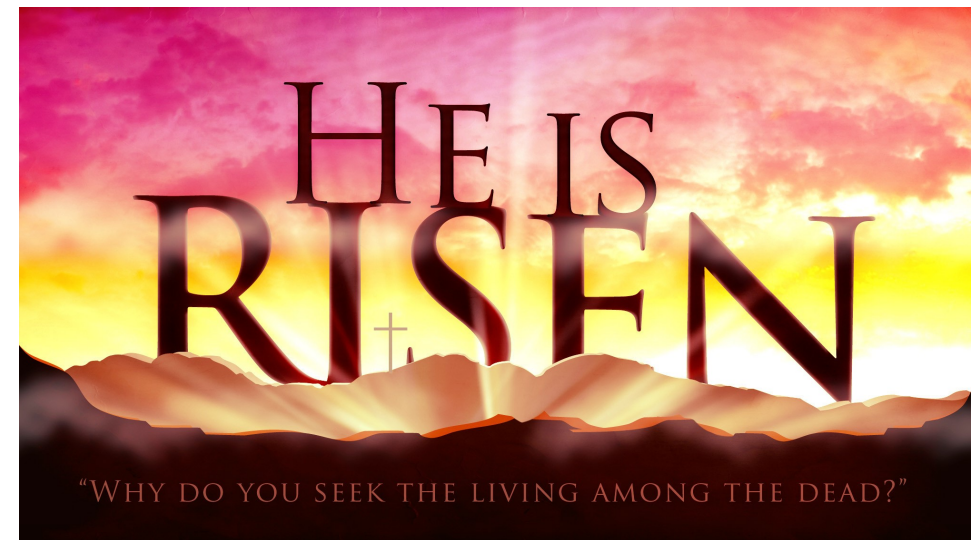
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SUNDAY, April 9, 2023



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