



Kirkwood Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 20, 2025

Easter Sunday

Gathering

Welcome and Ministry Announcements

Dr. Yvan Kelly

***Opening Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #232 v. 1, 2, & 4

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

***Call to Worship**

Worship Leader

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

Leader: This is the day of the Lord’s victory.

People: We will celebrate and be happy.

A Time for Children

Dr. Yvan Kelly

(Children will go to Sunday School)

Gathering Prayer

Leah Hadrava

Word

New Testament Reading

John 20:1-18

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, and the cloth that had been on Jesus’ head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples returned to their homes.

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But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. They said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping?” She said to them, “They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.” When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to her, “Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?” Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, “Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” Jesus said to her, “Mary!” She turned and said to him in Hebrew, “Rabbouni!” (which means Teacher). Jesus said to her, “Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, “I have seen the Lord”; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Message

“Where Are You Going?”

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Easter Cantata

“He Arose Hallelujah”

Prayers and Offering

Prayers of the People/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.

Giving Thanks to God with Our Gifts and Offerings

Offertory Song

***Doxology**

***Prayer of Dedication**

People: God of the living, not only in one great hour of sharing, but in all the days of our lives, use us and our resources to help feed the hungry, to heal the sick, to bring good news to the despondent, through Jesus Christ the risen Lord. Amen.

Sending

***Closing Hymn**

Glory to God Hymnal #233

“The Day of Resurrection!”

Charge and Blessing

Dr. Yvan Kelly

Announcements

One Great Hour of Sharing - Today we will collect offerings for One Great Hour of Sharing, which provides relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. To support this offering, special envelopes can be found in the friendship pads for you to use. Fish coin banks are available for your children to collect their coins in and participate in this special offering.

Thrivent Shred Events - Thrivent is holding a shred event on April 26 at their office on Belfort Road. You must register in advance. More information can be found on the sheet on the table in the narthex.

Sunday Luncheon May 4 - On Sunday, May 4, between 11:30 - 12:00 p.m., those interested can meet at The Landing Bar & Grill, 3989 Eagle Landing Pkwy., Orange Park 32065, for lunch. Everyone will be ordering off the menu. Deborah Ruth will bring in a copy of the menu and a sign-up sheet today. She will need a final head count by Sunday, April 27.

Bunko May 10 - The next Bunko night will be held on Saturday, May 10, at 6:00 p.m. No experience is needed and it is fun for all ages. A \$10.00 donation is asked for each person and includes dessert. All proceeds go to the church's building and grounds fund.

Session Meeting May 17 - The Session will meet on Saturday, May 17, at 9:30 a.m.

Session Meeting May 27 - The Session will also meet on Tuesday, May 27. The time will be decided soon.

Annual Yard Sale May 31 - Our Annual Yard Sale is Saturday, May 31 (note change of date). Start cleaning out your closets now! We will also need volunteers to help set up, organize, work at the Yard Sale, and break it down. Look for sign-up sheets in the Narthex.

March 2025 Pledges

Actual Received.....\$7761.00

Amount Pledged.....\$6428.00

Difference.....+\$1333.00

Financial Giving - You may place your offering in the offering plate, drop off a check at the office, put it in the mail, or use our online giving portal that can be accessed [here](#) or by scanning the QR code to the right.



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