



2026 Easter Lily Dedications

IN HONOR OF...

Our children from David and Margaret Crot
 Parker Kelly from Dan & Debbie Hickok
 Our Service Men & Women from Bettina Newman
 Zeth Aronategue from Lin Peters
 Sam Peters from Lin Peters

IN LOVING MEMORY OF...

Cheri Jose from the Bitterman Family
 Dorothy Sayre from the Bitterman Family
 Brothers and Eason Family, Clara and Frank Brothers
 Ann Wyeth Dake from Amy Brand
 Anthony and Mary Ellen deGeorge from Cheryl Brooks
 Tony deGeorge from Cheryl Brooks
 Kay & Jerry Tolley from Kaelu T. Cooley
 Jeb Tolley from Kaelu T. Cooley
 Bill Dezern from Kay Dezern
 Laurie Dezern from Kay Dezern
 Laura Elizabeth Frassmann from Greg & Debbie Frassmann
 Dennis Frey from Jean Frey & Family
 Perry & Mary Wolverton from Gladys Haney
 Mary Sixma, David Wolverton & Paul Wolverton from Gladys Haney

IN LOVING MEMORY OF... (Continued)

Barbara & Harry Stewart from Dan & Debbie Hickok
 Easter Morse from Debbie Hickok
 Our Moms, Phyllis T. King & Imogene Lewallen from Billy & Robynne King
 Meg Knee from Rich Knee
 Randolph Luton from Jean Luton
 Thomas Ferraro from Adelina Ferraro McDuffie
 Loved Ones from Ray & Virginia Mignogna
 Paul Corbett from Becky Miles
 Sam Miles from Becky Miles
 Dallas & Pat Miller from Scott and Roxanne Miller
 Rocco, Rita and Richard Sylvester from Scott and Roxanne Miller
 Donald R. Norris from Edith Norris
 Marion Peters Drummond from Lin Peters
 Joseph D. Pierce, Jr. from Marty Pierce and Family
 Harry and Rosalind Rogers from Mark & Rose Rogers
 Michael Walter Rowe from Joy Rowe
 Sandy Sterling from Jim, Erica, and Elizabeth
 Nana (Kari Stringer) from Gabriel Vitek
 Grandmother, Freida Voigts
 Rebekah Cecille Writtenberry-Lewis from Hollie, Elisabeth and Gideon

Calendar

April 5 EASTER SUNDAY, 9:30 am Traditional Worship, 11:00 am Contemporary Worship
 NO KIDS SING
 NO GriefShare, NO DivorceCare due to Easter
 7 NO Harmonious Flutes, NO Alleluia Ringer rehearsals
 8 7:00 pm Chancel Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
 9 5:30 pm Contemporary Worship rehearsal, Sanctuary
 12 9:30 am Traditional Worship, 11:00 am Contemporary Worship
 11:30 am Chancel Choir Rehearsal

WELCOME! If you are visiting with us this morning, we are glad you are here! Please scan the QR code to register with our church. After worship stop by our Welcome Desk for a special gift and to learn more about our church.

EASTER LILY PICKUP—If you ordered an Easter Lily in honor of or in memory of someone, you may pick up the lily following the 11:00 am service today.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR APRIL 19, 4:00 PM: The final concert in our 25th anniversary Candlelight Concert Series will feature TRIO NICHE, a trio of exceptional musicians from Williamsburg in a concert partially funded by the Virginia Commission for the Arts & the National Endowment for the Arts. The concert will include music in celebration of the the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence.

Check our website for updates: <https://www.gbpres.org>
 Thank you for joining us for worship today. There's a place for you here!
 Great Bridge Presbyterian Church, 333 Cedar Road, Chesapeake, VA (757)547-4706
"Sharing Christ's love, equipping God's people" ~ Founded 1964



Great Bridge Presbyterian Church 9:30 am Worship April 5, 2026 Resurrection of the Lord

*Stand as you are able in body or spirit. Congregation responds with the text in **bold**.

The Gathering

Prelude Christ the Lord is Risen Today James Mansfield
 Brass Ensemble, Timpani

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Kim Priddy

***Call to Worship** Nancy Wolfe, Aria Boyette, Liturgists

Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Our Savior is risen!

Our Savior is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Crown Him, the Lamb upon the throne;

Who was dead and rose again! Alleluia!

All hail, Redeemer, hail!

Crown Him with many crowns, for He is king of all! Alleluia!

***Hymn of Praise** No. 232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today arr. Jeremy J. Bankson
 *See Music Notes

Congregation, Chancel Choir, Alleluia Ringers, Brass Ensemble and Timpani

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!

Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!

Now above the sky he's king, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

Praise eternal as God's love; Alleluia!

Praise our God, ye heav'nly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy ghost. Alleluia! Amen.

Call to Confession - We are asked to think about what we have done that does not please God.

Prayer of Confession—We ask God to forgive our sins.

Declaration of Forgiveness—After saying we are sorry, we hear the good news that God forgives us for everything!

Response—We sing because we are happy that God has forgiven us!

Passing the Peace—We share the peace of God's love with God's family.

Words for the Children—We have a special message just for you! Come on down!

Prayers for the People and the Lord's Prayer—We pray for people and then together say the **Lord's Prayer**.

The Scriptures—God's Word tells us God's story and how we can please God.

Anthem—We listen as the choir sings a song about God

Sermon—Our pastor talks about what the scripture readings mean and how God wants us to live today.

***Call to Confession** Aria Boyette, Liturgist
By Christ's death and resurrection, we are made new as sons and daughters of the living Christ, yet, we fail to live into the newness of life we have been given. Let us confess our sins before the Lord, first in silent prayer.

***Time for Silent Confession**

***Prayer of Confession:** Nancy Wolfe, Liturgist
Creator God, You make all things new. On this Easter morn we remember that your steadfast love endures forever, through life and death. We confess that we need your forgiveness for our many failings. Forgive us and restore unto us the joy of your salvation. AMEN.

***Declaration of Forgiveness**
Christ conquered death to restore us to life. Know this: you are loved beyond measure. There is nothing that will ever separate you from God's love in Jesus Christ. You are forgiven and loved. Go and share the GOOD NEWS!

***In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

***Song of Assurance** No. 244 This Joyful Eastertide VRUECHTEN

This joyful Eastertide, Away with sin and sorrow.
My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.

Refrain Had Christ who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison!
Our faith had been in vain, But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen, arisen!

My flesh in hope shall rest and for a season slumber,
'til trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number. **Refrain**

Death's flood has lost its chill since Jesus crossed the river.
Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver. **Refrain**

***Passing the Peace**
The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

Please share the peace of Christ with one another.

Words to the Children Rev. Kim Priddy
Children are invited to come forward during the Passing of the Peace. Following this time, children will return and sit with their parents. The nursery is available for our preschool age children and infants.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

The Word and Offering

Scripture Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24, OT, pgs. 565-566 Nancy Wolfe,
Aria Boyette, Liturgists

Anthem Christ is the World's Light K. Lee Scott

Scripture John 20:1-18, NT, pgs. 114-115 Rev. Kim Priddy

Sermon "God Keeps Getting Out" Rev. Kim Priddy

Offertory Now the Green Blade Riseth arr. James Mansfield

***Doxology** No. 608 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Hal H. Hopson

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore.

***Prayer of Dedication**

The Sending

***Hymn of Sending Forth** No. 238 Thine Is the Glory arr. Robert Hobby
*See Music Notes

Congregation, Chancel Choir, Brass ensemble and Timpani

ALL Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,
kept the folded graveclothes where thy body lay.

REFRAIN Thine is the glory, risen, conquering Son;
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.

ALL Lo! Jesus meets us, risen from the tomb;
lovingly he greets us, scatters fear and gloom.
Let the church with gladness hymns of triumph sing,
for the Lord now liveth death hath lost its sting. **Refrain ALL**

ALL No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life!
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife.
Make us more than conquerors through thy deathless love;
bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. **Refrain ALL**

***Benediction** Rev. Kim Priddy

***Postlude** Toccata from *Symphony No. 5* Charles-Marie Widor

We wish to thank our guest musicians joining in worship today: Trumpet, John Vitale, Colin Galvin, French Horn, David Wick, Trombone, Nick Gonzales, Tuba, Peter DuBeau, Timpani, Reid Stockdill



Sacred Music in America.....Jeremy Bankson and Robert Hobby

Jeremy J. Bankson is an active minister of music, composer, arranger, and presenter at workshops and festivals and is currently the Director of Music at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Dublin, Ohio. He is sought after for workshops, clinics, and hymn festivals around the country. His compositions have been heard on radio programs including The Lutheran Hour, With Heart and Voice, and Sing for Joy. He has served as the vice president for Region I of the Association of Lutheran Church Musicians and associate faculty member at Indiana University–Purdue University in Fort Wayne. Bankson received his BM from the University of Nebraska–Lincoln and completed post-graduate studies in choral conducting.

Robert A. Hobby is director of music at Trinity English Lutheran Church in Ft. Wayne, Indiana. The son of a Lutheran pastor, he grew up in a church music environment and began playing the organ for services at age ten at his father's church in Columbia City, Indiana. He received the BM (1985) in church music from Wittenberg University in Springfield, Ohio, and the MM (1987) in organ performance from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana. He has over 150 compositions in print from numerous publishers. His music has been heard on nationally syndicated radio programs such as "The Lutheran Hour," "Pipe Dreams," and "Sing for Joy." For several years he chaired "Young Lutherans Sing," a national summer choral program for children, sponsored by the ALCM. In 1996 he designed and coordinated a hymn festival that was performed simultaneously at over one hundred sites around the United States and Canada to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the ALCM. He has also served as dean of the Ft. Wayne Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and as a member of the program committee for the Ft. Wayne Philharmonic.

The Offering—Our gifts of time, talents and money support the work of the church. We give because God gives so much to us.

Prayer of Dedication—We thank God for the gifts we have been given and dedicate them to the Lord.

Hymn—We sing a hymn that reminds us of what we have learned in the sermon.

Benediction—We listen to the benediction, which means "good word." The "good word" is that God goes with us into the world to do God's work!

Postlude—Let's go serve the Lord! Alleluia!