

For PRAYER . . .

CHURCH FAMILY:

Charles Asbury; Geoff Gilbert; Doris Branam; Stanley Stevenson; Matthew Kincer; Jim Thompson; Dolores Pruitt; Connie Fletcher; Dorothy Wright; Julia Butler

**Heritage Hall:** Betty Kelly

**Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC)**

Michael Thomas, Kristie Hancock Clifton, Barbara Kincer, Josh Thompson, Davina Larimer Perkins, Howie Mitchell, and Peggy Riley.

OTHERS:

Family & friends of the Burkes Garden accident victims; Dixie Griffith Mitchem; Patsy & Raymond Walker; Reverend Michael Weller; Kim McGraw's mother.

*Active Military Service:* Jon Wright.

TO PASS ALONG A PRAYER REQUEST:

Contact Eunice Jones at (276.988.4412; [jnseun@aol.com](mailto:jnseun@aol.com)) or the church office at (276.988.4724; [sectazpresb12@yahoo.com](mailto:sectazpresb12@yahoo.com)). Names will remain on the Prayer List for 4 weeks unless otherwise requested.

THIS WEEK

**Sunday, March 31, 2024**

Easter Sunrise Service	7:00 A.M.
Easter Service-Black's Chapel	9:30 A.M.
Easter Service-TPC Sanctuary	11:00 A.M.

**Monday, April 1, 2024**

Boy Scouts-Fellowship Hall	6:00 P.M.
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**Wednesday, April 3, 2024**

Adventure Time/TAG	3:30 P.M.
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**April 7, 2024**

Worship Service-Black's Chapel	9:30 A.M.
Worship Service-TPC Sanctuary	11:00 A.M.

**Attendance:**

March 24 TPC 50 Livestream 7 BC 12 Total 69

**Pulpit Schedule for April, 2024**

April 7	Dr. Scott Sikes
April 14	Pastor Grace Kim
April 21	Pastor Grace Kim
April 28	Pastor Grace Kim

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Welcome**

Welcome to our Easter service! We are so glad that you are here to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Today, we remember that Jesus died on the cross for our sins and that he rose from the dead three days later. It is a message of hope, love, and forgiveness. As we celebrate this glorious day by singing songs of praise, hearing the Word of God, and praying together we hope that you will be blessed by our service.

If you are not able to be present in our sanctuary you can join us live on [YouTube by searching Tazewell Presbyterian Church](#). All of our live-streamed services are available for replay.

We are happy that you are here!

**Easter Sunrise Services and Breakfast**

On Easter morning at 7:00 am we will gather with brothers and sisters of Main Street United Methodist Church for Easter Sunrise Service in front of the Chapman Hall. The service will be followed by Breakfast at Main Street UMC fellowship hall.

**Flowering the Cross**

During the opening hymn of our Easter service, we invite our children, with adult assistance as needed, to flower the cross at the front of the sanctuary. This tradition brings us a joyful contrast to the stark image of the darkened rugged cross of Friday evening.

**One Great Hour of Sharing**

During the season of Lent, we are receiving the gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing. This offering supports the Presbyterian Hunger Program, the Presbyterian Committee on the Self-Development of People, and Presbyterian Disaster Assistance. This offering will also be used for the Care Portal and prison ministry in Tazewell County.

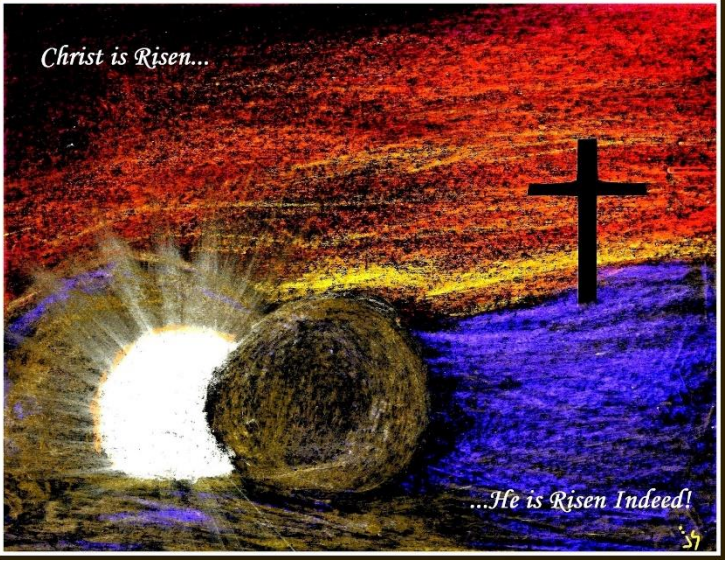
**Special Emphasis Food Pantry Needs**

Special Emphasis for the month of **April** is Spaghetti and sauce.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP**

*March 31, 2024*

*Easter*



**TAZEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Black's Presbyterian Chapel**

**The Gathering**

**Chiming of the Hour**

**Prelude:** *Resurrection Glory* arr. Callahan

**Welcome and Announcements**

**\*Call to Worship**

One: Rejoice! The stone is rolled away, no more the smell of death, behold the empty tomb!

**All: Christ is risen!**

One: Rejoice! The sting of death is gone, the victory has been won, behold the risen Christ!

**All: Christ is risen!**

**He is risen, indeed!**

**\*Hymn 232** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*  
**Flowering of the Cross**

## Prayer of Confession

God of Resurrecting joy,  
we confess it's not easy to sustain Easter hope.  
We let discouragement, fear and frustration to settle in  
and let anger and anxiety turn our hearts away from you.  
Resentment and disappointment cling to us  
and we forget your great mercy and love.  
Forgive us.  
Restore within us the joy and hope you promise us  
in Christ, our Risen Lord. Amen.

# Kyrie

I will arise and go to Jesus;  
He will embrace me in his arms;  
In the arms of my dear Savior,  
O, there are ten thousand charms.

## Assurance of God's Grace

One: Through his death and resurrection, Jesus has proven that the power of love is stronger than sin and death. And the risen Lord invites us into a new life united with him. Friends, believe the good news!

**Many: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.**  
**Thanks be to God!**

## \*Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
*(Please share the peace with those around you).*

**\*Response of Praise** *Christ Is Alive*

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

## The Word

## Children's Message

Barbara Kincer

**Scripture:** Mark 16:1-8 (Pew Bible, pg. 829-830)

The Word of the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**

**God's Word in Song:** *Easter Carol* Shafferman/ Drennon

# Sermon

Rev. Grace Kim

### *“Altered By An Open-Ended Story”*

## Response to the Word

### \*Affirmation of Faith

*from the Confession of 1967*

We believe that the reconciling work of Jesus was the supreme crisis in the life of humankind. His cross and resurrection become personal crisis and present hope when the gospel is proclaimed and believed.

In this experience, the Spirit brings God's forgiveness to us moves us to respond in faith, repentance, and obedience and initiates the new life in Christ.

We believe that the new life takes shape in a community in which we know that God loves and accepts us in spite of what we are.

We therefore accept ourselves and love others, knowing that no one has any ground on which to stand, except God's grace.

Amen.

**Hymn 240, Verses 1 & 2**      *Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks*

## Invitation to Offering

**Offertory:** *The Strife Is O'er* Palestrina/ arr. L. Smith

**\*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

## Celebrations and Concerns

## Prayers of the People and 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.

## Sending and Service

**\*Hymn 248** *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

**\*Benediction**

### \*Chiming of the Trinity

*\*Please rise in body and/ or spirit.*