



DAVIE STREET PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH(USA)

EASTER SUNDAY 2025



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Welcome!

**The Mission of Davie Street Presbyterian is to
Spiritually Invite, Inspire, Teach, and Serve.**

Blessings be upon you in the name of our Lord & Savior Jesus Christ! We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), and we welcome you into this community of faith. It is our prayer that having heard the Word of God you will go out and share God's love in service to others

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 20, 2025

11:00 A.M.

EASTER SUNDAY

Guest Pastor: Reverend Deborah McEachran

Music Director: Dr. Candace Laughinghouse

Liturgist: Elder Carletta Moore

(PLEASE SILENCE ALL CELL PHONES)

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prelude

Welcome/Announcements

Liturgist

Call to Worship: (adapted from Rev. Howard Thurman) **Liturgist**

One: The Lord is risen!

Many: He is risen indeed! The Lord is risen!

One: He is risen indeed! Today we celebrate the glad surprise of Easter.

Many: This is what Easter means. This is the resurrection!

One: Easter is the announcement that life cannot ultimately be conquered by death.

Many: Easter is the proclamation that there is no road that is at last swallowed up in an ultimate darkness.

One: Indeed, the Lord is risen!

Many: He is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

Welcoming the Spirit

In the Name of Jesus

(RH #42)

Prayer of the Day

Liturgist

Glory to you, O God: you have won victory over death, raising Jesus from the grave and giving us eternal life. Glory to you, O Christ: for us and for our salvation you overcame death and opened the gate to everlasting life. Glory to you, O Holy Spirit: you lead us into the truth. Glory to you, O Blessed Trinity, now and forever, **Amen.**

***Opening Hymn**

Because He lives

(RH #342)

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***Passing the Peace**

Rev. McEachran

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God.

The Peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

People: And also, with you.

Installation of Officers: Class of 2027

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist

Open our hearts and our ears to hear your Word as it is read and proclaimed. Fill us with the Spirit and surprise us, for we eagerly expect your Word and know that you will speak to us today.

The Scripture Lessons

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Liturgist

The Word of the Lord

Thanks Be to God.

Second Reading

John 20:11-18

Rev. McEachran

The Good News of the Lord

All: Thanks Be To God.

Musical Selection

I Shall Wear a Crown

Sermon

"The Glad Surprise"

Rev. McEachran

Hymn

Alpha and Omega

(RH#57)

***An Easter Prayer (borrowed from Walter Brugman's *Easter Us*)**

Lord, look upon us in our deep need, mark the wounds of our brothers and sisters, notice the turmoil in our lives, and the lives of our families, credit the incongruity of the rich and the poor in our very city, and the staggering injustices abroad in our land, tend to the rage out of control, quell the fear of the "other", measure the suffering, count the sufferers, number the wounds.

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You tamer of chaos and mender of all tears in the canvas of creation, we ponder your suffering, your crown of thorns, your garment taken in lottery, your mocked life, the suffering of the world.

You defeater of death, whose power could not hold you, come in your Easter, come in your sweeping victory, come in your glorious new life. Easter us, heal wounds, break injustice, bring peace, guarantee neighbor, Easter us in joy and strength. Be our God, your true self, lord of life, massively turn our life toward your life and away from our anti-neighbor, anti-self-way of looking at the world. Hear our thankful, grateful, unashamed Hallelujah! Amen.

Prayer of Intercession

Rev. McEachran

Call to the Offering

Liturgist

The Lord prepares a table for us in the presence of our enemies; God anoints us with oil; our cups overflow. Let us offer our lives to the Lord
Amen.

***Doxology**

***Offertory Prayer**

Liturgist

Risen Lord, these gifts of our resources are for your use in this world. Let us use them to share the good news that you have been raised, that life continues, and that God's love never stops. In your name we pray,
Amen.

***Offertory Response**

Communion

Let Us Break Bread Together

SENDING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***Closing Hymn**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (RH#340)

Charge and Benediction

Rev. McEachran

Postlude

My Tribute

Thank you for Worshiping with us Today!

**Note: Part of Liturgy was adapted from resources provided by The Presbyterian Outlook*



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ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF
April 20, 2025
Please remember our Sick and Shut-in Members

Floral Ministry - The Easter Lillies are donated by the Floral Ministry Team. Please have an enjoyable and Happy Easter!

The Mother's Day Raffle is back! - This year, please see any woman in this church and ask for a chance to win the latest generation iPad, a \$50 gift card to Ruth's Chris Steak House, a \$50 gift card to Massage Envy, or a beautiful gift basket. The tickets are \$5.00 each. The money collected goes towards; buying winter coats for children, providing school snacks and additional food for the kids during school breaks, purchasing Angel Tree gifts for needy children, help in supporting the church's health fair, and much more. The drawing will be conducted for all prizes on **May 10th** at noon via Zoom.

Mother's Day Project -The Mary Gladden Carter Circle 3 will again this year sponsor its Mother's Day Project. Just as we did last year, we will be offering angels to highlight the angels in our lives: mothers and mother figures and all other women who are dear to us. The angels will be at a cost of \$5.00 each and will be displayed for all to admire. We are asking that you have your names in by **April 27, 2025**, to allow us time to get the information on them for display. Please see any member of the MGC Circle 3 to submit your names. As always, we thank you for your support.

Vacation Bible Study - Are you ready to rev your engines, race to victory, and experience the ultimate pit stop in your life? DSPC invites you to join us for a week of high-octane adventure, where speed meets faith, and we race in the power of God's guidance. The theme is "Rocket Racers – On Track with Our Powerful God." VBS will be June 23– 27, 2025 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at 300 East Davie St. Raleigh, NC 27601. You may register online or sign up in the Fellowship Hall. Donations are appreciated. Thank you for your support. DSPC Christian Ministry

Habitat for Humanity Calling volunteers - On the second Saturday of each month April through August (April 12, June 14, July 12, and Aug 9), DSPC will need volunteers (16 years old and over please) to help build a home for a deserving family as part of a coalition of downtown area churches in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity of Wake County. For anyone that is not able to participate in the actual construction but would still like to contribute and fellowship with the other church congregations, on a few of those days we will need volunteers to prepare lunches for those that are doing the building.

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If you are interested, please fill out your information on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall or text your name, email address and mobile phone number to Mr. Pollard (919-264-7225) and Mr. Woodyard (919-271-2605). Mr. Woodyard or Mr. Pollard will contact you and explain the details of the project, what days we will be out there and how to get involved.

Sponsored Event - The Capital Campaign is hosting Mr. Eric Kelly, a gospel violinist from Hampton, VA, on Saturday, May 24, for two performances at 2:00 PM and 6:00 PM in the New Fellowship Hall. Tickets are \$30 each and can be purchased from any member of the Capital Campaign Committee or on Eventbrite.com. Please note that additional charges may apply for online purchases.

Capital Campaign Updates – As of March 15, 2025, our mortgage balance is \$678,012.05. With your help, we can reduce the debt even faster. Please encourage your family, friends, and organizations to which you are a member to help us by participating in any of the following fundraisers:

Donor Tree: We have twenty-two patrons who have purchased leaves and pray others will be added soon.

Stained Glass Windows: There are nine stained glass windows awaiting donors' inscriptions.

Room Dedications: There are many opportunities to name rooms in both the old and new fellowship halls. Thank you for your support

Intercessory Prayer meeting – The Intercessory Prayer Meeting will be held on Thursday at 7:15 p.m. via conference call. The details on how to participate are as follows: Conference Call #: 425-436-6317, Access Code: 442765

Per Capita – Remember to pay your thirty-dollar (\$30.00) per capita. These funds are used to help support services at all levels of PC (U.S.A.).





Guest Pastor Biography

Reverend Deborah McEachran

Rev. Deborah McEachran, is recently retired after 37 years of pastoral ministry, having served congregations in Jacksonville, NJ, Hickory and Rutherfordton/Union Mills, NC and Baltimore, MD. She and her husband Dan relocated to NE Raleigh last fall in order to live near two of their four (soon to be five) grandchildren!

Rev. McEachran (Pastor Deborah) is bilingual (Spanish and English) and enjoys ministry settings where her Spanish language is helpful. In retirement, she has taken up pickleball and also enjoys gardening-- planting vegetables in the sunny front yard and trying to create a meadow with native shrubs and flowers in the backyard.