



Sunday, April 12, 2026

The Second Sunday of Easter

The Sacrament of Baptism and Member Reception

### We Prepare for Worship

Praise Band

Prelude: Low in the grave He lay

R. J. Hughes

Preparing our Hearts:

*Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." John 20:29*

\*Processional Hymn: *The day of the Resurrection*

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Welcome and Community Life News

### We Worship God

The Call to Worship

Mason Girard

L.: We gather with joy, for Easter continues.

**P.: Locked doors have been opened, and fear has turned to peace.**

L.: We celebrate the presence of the Risen Christ among us.

**P.: Doubts can be erased and uncertainty turned to faith.**

L.: Let us rejoice and be glad!

**P.: We offer our prayers and praise with humble, hopeful hearts.**

L.: Let us worship God!

Introit: Lord of the dance

arr. John Birch

Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Lord's Prayer (debts)

The Assurance of Pardon

Minister: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

\*Praise Time: Trust in God

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine

He's been my fourth man in the fire time after time

Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

And what He did for me on Calvary is more than enough

**RFEFRAIN:**

***I trust in God, my Savior***

***The One who will never fail, He will never fail***

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***The One who will never fail, He will never fail***

Perfect submission, all is at rest  
I know the author of tomorrow has ordered my steps  
So, this is my story, and this is my song  
I'm praising my risen King and Savior all the day long

### **REFRAIN**

**2X:**

I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
I sought the Lord and He heard and He answered  
That's why I trust Him, that's why I trust Him

*God my Saviour*

*The One who will never fail, He will never fail*

*I trust in God my Saviour, the One who will never fail*

*He will never fail.*

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### **We Listen for God's Word**

The Sacrament of Baptism and Member Reception

Prayer for Illumination:

Joseph Nguyen

Scripture Readings:

Responsive Reading - **Psalm 111**

Margaret D'Addamio

L.: Praise the Lord!

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,  
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

**P.: Great are the works of the Lord,  
studied by all who delight in them.**

L.: Full of honor and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.

**P.: He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds;  
the Lord is gracious and merciful.**

L.: He provides food for those who fear him;  
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**P.: He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the heritage of the nations.**

L.: The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy.

**P.: They are established forever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

L.: He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name.

**P.: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;  
all those who practice it have a good understanding.  
His praise endures forever.**

New Testament: John 20:19-31

<sup>19</sup> When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." <sup>22</sup> When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

<sup>24</sup> But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. <sup>25</sup> So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

<sup>26</sup> A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." <sup>27</sup> Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." <sup>28</sup> Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" <sup>29</sup> Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

<sup>30</sup> Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. <sup>31</sup> But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Leader: The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem: We will rejoice

Caleb Simper

Sermon: Disillusioned Thomas

Rev. Dr. Heather Vais

\*Hymn: *Jesus is risen from the grave*

**#254, verses 1-5** (see on the back)

### **We Respond to God's Word**

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Intercession

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

\*Doxology

**#830**

\*Dedication of Offering

\*Recessional Hymn: *Christ is Alive*

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### **We are Sent out as God's People**

\*Charge and Benediction

\*Musical Benediction

**Go now in peace, never be afraid,  
God will go with you each hour of every day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true,  
Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe,  
Reach out to others so all the world can see.  
God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith, and in love. Amen**

*\*if you are able, please stand*

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**THORNHILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Office Hours: Tuesday – Friday from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

**Duty Elders: Jessica Chapman & Sheila Gault**



**Sunday School Today**

All children grades 1-6 are welcome and will go to Sunday School after Baptism.

*Colouring clipboards are available in the Lobby.*



***Receiving the Sacrament of Baptism today***

***Naa Lamiley Lamptey***

daughter of Nana Sakyibea Asante-Sakyi and Nii Odartey Lamptey

***By Profession of Faith***

***Nii Odartey Lamptey***

*May God's grace surround and strengthen them as they grow in faith.*

**Easter In Memoriam Flowers**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Flower Fund in memory of loved ones this year. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

*This year, all proceeds were directed to support our ESL programs at TPC.*

## UPCOMING WEEK'S EVENTS AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, April 19, 2026

10:20 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m.	Worship Service, Baptism and Member Reception
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal

### Tuesday, April 21, 2026

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	ESL Class
3 p.m. – 10 p.m.	Presbytery Meeting

### Thursday, April 23, 2026

7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir Practice, Sanctuary
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### Saturday, April 25

10:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Springtime in Paris Concert
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### Sunday, April 26, 2026

10:20 a.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m.	Mission Awareness Sunday
12:15 p.m.	Youth Choir Rehearsal

## Mission Awareness Weekend

### Springtime in Paris Musical Concert Saturday, April 25, 2026, 10 am to noon

Begin your weekend with a lovely spring morning of music as we celebrate Mission Awareness Sunday.

Enjoy a **Special Concert** featuring Alia Ginevra along with other talented TPC musicians.

A continental breakfast will be served.

As part of our fundraising efforts, we will host a raffle and welcome donations of gift items for the raffle table. Attendees are also invited to bring non-perishable food donations to the concert and to worship on Sunday.

**Tickets: \$20.00 (children under 12 attend free)  
available beginning Sunday, April 12.**

All proceeds support the RH Community Food Bank and Evangel Hall Mission.

*For more information, please contact  
Lorraine McBride at [lorrainemcb@gmail.com](mailto:lorrainemcb@gmail.com).*



## TPC Spring Clean-Up Day: May 2, 2025

The Board of Managers is seeking volunteers to join us on **Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, from **9 AM to Noon**

for our church's outdoor spring clean-up as we prepare for summer.

*Tasks include:*

- Weeding
- Hoeing
- Trimming hedges and bushes
- Spreading soil

Your help, even for just a couple of hours, would be greatly appreciated—many hands make light work!

We'll provide all the necessary tools for the tasks.

**Hope to see you there!**

Please contact Bob [robertgargano@rogers.com](mailto:robertgargano@rogers.com)



## Join the Instant Church Directory!

Stay connected with our church family through the Instant Church Directory — a simple digital photo directory where you can easily see who's who and find contact information.

### **Getting Started:**

1. Send your email to the church office at [admin@tpchurch.net](mailto:admin@tpchurch.net).
2. Go to [instantchurchdirectory.com](http://instantchurchdirectory.com), open the menu (top right), select "Member Login," and follow the prompts.
3. You can also download the Instant Church Directory app on your phone or tablet for quick access anytime.

**Updating Your Photo:** We'll be taking photos after church for anyone who needs a new or updated picture. Prefer to send your own? Email your photo to [admin@tpchurch.net](mailto:admin@tpchurch.net), and he will upload it for you.

## ESL Volunteers Needed

We currently offer one Conversational English class on Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to noon, and another class will be starting soon. We are also looking for volunteers who would be willing to lead one or two additional classes.

*If you are interested or would like more information, please let us know [admin@tpchurch.net](mailto:admin@tpchurch.net).*

## **\*Processional Hymn: The Day of Resurrection**

The day of resurrection -  
earth, tell it out abroad,  
the Passover of gladness,  
the Passover of God!  
From death to life eternal,  
from earth unto the sky,  
our Christ hath brought us over  
with hymns of victory.

2. Our hearts be pure from evil,  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light,  
and, listening to his accents,  
may hear, so calm and plain,  
his own 'All hail!' and, hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

3. Now let the heavens be joyful;  
let earth its song begin;  
let the round world keep triumph,  
and all that is therein;  
invisible and visible,  
their notes together er blend,  
for Christ the Lord hath risen,  
our joy that hath no end.

## **\*Hymn after Semon: Jesus is risen from the grave; verses 1-5**

1. Jesus is risen from the grave;  
Jesus is risen from the grave;  
Jesus is risen from the grave.  
Hallelujah!

2. Jesus was seen by Mary;  
Jesus was seen by Mary;  
Jesus was seen by Mary.  
Hallelujah!

3. Peter will soon be smiling;  
Peter will soon be smiling;  
Peter will soon be smiling.  
Hallelujah!

4. Thomas will stop his doubting;  
Thomas will stop his doubting;  
Thomas will stop his doubting.  
Hallelujah!

5. Jesus will meet his people;  
Jesus will meet his people;  
Jesus will meet his people.  
Hallelujah!

### **\*Recessional Hymn: Christ is Alive**

1. 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.
2. Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
but saving, healing, here and now  
and touching every place and time.
3. In every insult, rift and war,  
where colour, scorn or wealth divide,  
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, where even hope has died.
4. Women and men, in age and youth,  
can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth,  
revealed in Jesus, freed for all.
5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring  
good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring  
with joy, with justice, love and praise.

