

Welcome to Worship



**First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Williamston, N.C.**

**We Are Truly Glad
You Are Here**

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April 20 – June 8

**Second Sunday of Eastertide
May 4, 2025**

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE TO WORSHIP

Edna Gray Thomas, Organist

CALL TO WORSHIP

M: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

P: He is risen indeed!

M: People of God, Easter is not one day, but a season.

P: A season of joy and hope.

M: A season of transformation as we live into resurrected lives.

P: Let us use this season to worship our Risen Lord and grow in our faith.

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S VIDEO SONG "1-2-3 Jesus Is Alive"

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE *(All children are invited forward for a message with our pastor. After, children age 5 and under may leave for the nursery.)*

† CONGREGATIONAL HYMN "The Old Rugged Cross" No. 548

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE, followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison.

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

ANTHEM

SCRIPTURE MESSAGE

"The Passion"
Matthew 27:54; Romans 5:6

† GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

(We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world. As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.)

† ELDER'S PRAYER FOR BREAD & CUP

MUSICAL MEDITATION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION & PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

† PRESENTATION OF OFFERING & 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.

† DEPARTING HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" No. 225

† BLESSING & GOING FORTH WITH THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

POSTLUDE

† Please stand if you are able.