

Worship Leaders

Pastor—Craig Waetke

Lay Reader—Jennifer Duran

Choir Director—Janet Mathews

Choir Pianist—Shirley Power

Worship Pianist—Jane Sell

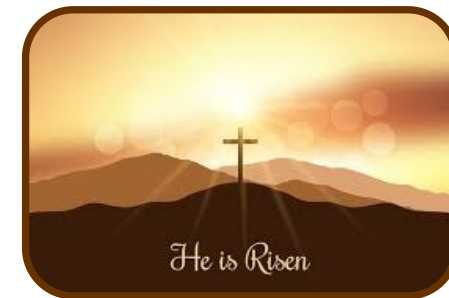
Introit—Jane Sell

(Please stand during the service where indicated by an asterisk “”.)*

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***“The Lord
bless you
and
keep you.”***

(Numbers 6:24)



**New Covenant Presbyterian Church
Sunday, April 26, 2026
9:30 AM
4th Sunday of Easter**

Welcome to Worship

Introit

Welcome and Announcements

(Please remember to sign the attendance pad in your row—thank you.)

Preparation for Worship

“El-Shaddai”

*Call to Worship *(from Psalm 115)*

Leader: “Not to us, O Lord, not to us but to Your name be the glory, be cause of Your love and faithfulness. O house of Israel, trust in the Lord – He is their help and shield. O house of Aaron, trust in the Lord – He is their help and shield. You who fear Him, trust in the Lord – He is their help and shield.

People: **The Lord remembers us and will bless us: He will bless the house of Israel, He will bless the house of Aaron, He will bless those who fear the Lord – small and great alike. May you be blessed by the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth. It is we who extol the Lord, both now and forevermore. Praise the Lord.”** Praise His holy name. The Lord is risen! He is risen, indeed! Let us worship God!

*Hymn—Red Hymnal

“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”

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***Affirmation of Faith:** When we confess our faith in “God the Father Almighty,” we say we believe in God who is a God of love, and that His love is powerful beyond measure. When we affirm our faith in Jesus Christ as “our Lord,” we say we believe that Jesus, having been raised from the dead, reigns with compassion and justice over all things in heaven and on earth, and especially over those who confess their faith in Him, and that by loving and serving Him above all else, we give glory and honor to God. When we confess our faith in the Holy Spirit we affirm that, apart from the Holy Spirit, we can neither truly love, know, or serve our Lord. The Holy Spirit is the personal bond by which Jesus Christ unites us to Himself and leads us to confession and repentance, empowering us to live for Christ. When we affirm our belief in “life everlasting,” we confess that communion with Jesus Christ is eternal life itself and that in Him we were chosen before the foundation of the world, by Him the eternal covenant with Israel was taken up, embodied, and fulfilled, and to Him we are joined by the Holy Spirit through faith, and adopted as the sons and daughters of God. Through Him we are raised from death to new life and for Him we shall live to all eternity. This is our affirmation of our faith in Almighty God – Father, Son and Spirit. Amen.

Choir Anthem

“When We All Get to Heaven”

NCPC Choir

Giving of God’s Tithes and Our Offering

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” (Matthew 6:19-21)

Offertory

“Shall We Gather at the River?”

* 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***

* Prayer of Dedication

Prayers of the People, ending with 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 power, and the glory, forever. Amen.”

* Hymn—Red Hymnal

“Be Still, My Soul”

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* Scripture

Luke 6:17-26

*“Ezra opened the book of the Law, and as he opened it, the people all stood up.”
(Nehemiah 8:5)*

The Message

“The Certainty of Christ”

Rev. Craig Waetke

A Study of Luke—Part 12

* Hymn—Red Hymnal

“God, Our Father, We Adore Thee”

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* Blessing and Sending

* Postlude

“The Lord Bless You and Keep You”

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