

Providence Methodist Church
Festival Of the Resurrection
The Sacrament of Holy Communion
(The Lord's Supper)
Sunday, April 5th, 2026
7:00 a.m.

A Blessed, Holy and Spirit-filled Easter



Theme: Know Your "Rabbouni!" Teacher!

The Preacher for Today:

Rev. Dr. Marcelle Brathwaite

Liturgist:

Sis. Cheryl Mayers

Organist:

Bro. Shae Branch,

Congregational Steward:

Bro. Hussein Brewster

Multimedia Team:

Brothers Ryan Eastmond and Clarkson Prescott

Order of Service

Musical Prelude

Call To Worship: Colossians 3:1-4 *Raised with Christ*

Liturgist: 3:1 So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

People 3:2 *Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth,*

Liturgist: 3:3 for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

ALL: 3:4 *When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.*

Opening Praise in Worship

Hymn MHB 123 He Lives

Verse 1

I serve a risen Saviour,
He's in the world today;
I know that He is living,
whatever men may say;
I see His hand of mercy,
I hear His voice of cheer,
And just the time I need
Him He's always near.

CHORUS

*He lives, He lives, Christ
Jesus lives today!*

*He walks with me and
talks with me*

Along life's narrow way.

*He lives, He lives,
salvation to impart!*

*You ask me how I know
He lives?*

He lives within my heart.

Verse 2

In all the world around
me I see His loving care,
And tho' my heart grows
weary, I never will
despair.

I know that He is leading
thro' all the stormy blase;
The day of His appearing
will come at last.

CHORUS

Verse 3

Rejoice, rejoice, O
Christians, lift up your
voice and sing Eternal
hallelujahs to Jesus
Christ the King!
The Hope of all who seek
Him, the Help of all who
find, None other is so
loving, so good and kind.

CHORUS

Hymn: VIP 118 Because He lives

Verse 1

God sent his son, they
called Him Jesus
He came to love, heal and
forgive
He lived and died, to buy
my pardon
An empty grave is there
to prove my Savior lives.

Chorus

***Because He lives, I can
face tomorrow
Because He lives, all
fear is gone
Because I know, He
holds the future
And life is worth the
living Just because He
lives***

Verse 2

How sweet to hold a new-
born baby,
And feel the pride and joy
he gives;
But greater still the calm
assurance,
This child can face
uncertain days because
He lives. **Chorus**

Verse 3

And then one day, I'll
cross that old river
I'll fight life's final war
with pain
And then as death gives
way to victory
I'll see the lights of glory
And I'll know He reigns.

Chorus

What a Beautiful Name (Hillsong Worship)

1. You were the word at
the beginning
One with God the Lord
most high
Your hidden glory in
creation
Now revealed in You our
Christ

Chorus

*What a beautiful name it
is
What a beautiful name it
is
The name of Jesus Christ,
my king
What a beautiful name it
is
Nothing compares to this
What a beautiful name it
is
The name of Jesus*

2. You didn't want
heaven without us
So Jesus You brought
heaven down
My sin was great, Your
love was greater
What could separate us
now?

Chorus
What a powerful name it
is
What a powerful name it
is
The name of Jesus
Christ, my king
What a powerful name it
is
Nothing can stand
against
What a powerful name it
is
The name of Jesus

Let Us Pray (*Sis Cheryl Mayers*):

Dear God and heavenly Father, there is no greater love, than that you gave your Son to us in this beautiful act of death and resurrection. Out of this great act of Salvation, you call us into covenant relationship, through the saving grace of our Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ. Lord, we honour you as we worship and magnify your Holy Name today.

Awesome God, as we stand in the glory of the empty tomb, we proclaim Jesus as Saviour of the whole world and of our lives. Today we think of Him as Teacher one who can channel our thoughts to honour his example of wisdom, righteousness and peace.

We confess that so many times we doubt your ability to lead us into paths of lovingkindness and truth.

Forgive us Dear Father, for worshipping you in practice while overlooking your true relationship of love and obedience that calls us to love and care of others. We neglect fellowshiping in prayer, Bible Study, and meeting together in classes to build each

other up. Teach us how to worship you in spirit and in truth.

Good Lord, thank you for this Day of New Beginnings. A day when we can recommit to serving you, for this we are truly thankful.

Teach us to live daily in your wisdom and knowledge. Make us willing to avail ourselves to telling others of your saving grace.

Inspire us to proclaim the power of the redeeming blood and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus the Christ. May we truly honour and glorify Your name O God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

 **Welcome and Greetings,**

 **Notices, Blessing of the Tithes and Offering**

 **Sharing with our Children and Youth**

 **Ministry in Music by the Choir**

The Word of God

The Collect: God of Life, who for our redemption gave your only begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection have delivered us from the power of our enemy, grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his risen life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Te Deum Laudamus

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.

All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the powers therein.

To thee cherubin and seraphin continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;

Heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the apostles praise thee.

The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee.

The noble army of martyrs praise thee.

The holy Church throughout all the world doth
acknowledge thee:
the Father of an infinite majesty;
thine honourable, true and only Son;
also the Holy Ghost the Comforter.
Thou art the King of glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man,
thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death,
thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of
the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants,
whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy saints in glory
everlasting.

Change

O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage.
Govern them and lift them up for ever.
Day by day we magnify thee;
and we worship thy name, ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is
in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be
confounded.

The Epistle Reading: Acts 10:34-43 (Sis. Kimberley Skeete)

Jesus' Ministry After His Baptism

10:34 Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly
understand that God shows no partiality,
10:35 but in every people anyone who fears him and
practices righteousness is acceptable to him.

10:36 You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all.

10:37 That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced:

10:38 how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

10:39 We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree,

10:40 but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear,

10:41 not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

10:42 He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead.

10:43 All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Hymn: VIP 43 His Name Is Wonderful, Jesus My Lord

His name is wonderful, His name is wonderful,
His name is wonderful, Jesus my Lord,
He is the Mighty King, Master of everything
His name is wonderful Jesus My Lord.

He's the great Shepherd, The Rock of all ages
Almighty God is He; Bow down before Him,
Love and adore Him His name is wonderful,
Jesus My Lord.

The Gospel Reading John 20:1-18

(Sis. Ingrid Stapleton)

Seeing The Risen Christ

20:1 Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb.

20:2 So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him."

20:3 Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb.

20:4 The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.

20:5 He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in.

20:6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, 20:7 and the cloth that had been on Jesus's head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself.

20:8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed,

20:9 for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

20:10 Then the disciples returned to their homes.

20:11 But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb,

20:12 and she saw two angels in white sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet.

20:13 They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him."

20:14 When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus.

20:15 Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away."

20:16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher).

20:17 Jesus said to her, "Do not touch me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

20:18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ

People: Praise be to Christ our Lord

Hymn: VIP - 127 Low In The Grave He Lay

Low in the grave He lay,
Jesus my Saviour!
Waiting the coming day,
Jesus my Lord!

Vainly they watch His
bed, Jesus my Saviour!
Vainly they seal the
dead, Jesus my Lord!

Chorus

Chorus

**Up from the grave He
arose,
With a mighty triumph
o'er His foes;**

**He arose a victor From
the dark domain**

**And He lives forever With
His saints to reign.**

He arose! He arose!

Hallelujah! Christ arose!

Death cannot keep his
prey, Jesus my Saviour!
He tore the bars away,
Jesus my Lord!

Chorus

Theme: Know Your "Rabbouni!" Teacher!

TEXT: 20:16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher).

INTRODUCTION: Mary Magdalene, stood with great consternation outside the tomb of Jesus the Christ crying because he was no longer there. Then, she met him for the first time after his death. At first she did not recognize him but when he spoke she knew his voice. Note that she called Him: 'Rabbouni' – Teacher. This truly represents the New Beginnings that Easter offers.

† Mary respected Jesus as Teacher. What does this mean? The Lord who taught her and continued to teach her the truth, He had been raised from the dead. Saviour of the World.

† Mary did not only recognize Him but listened to Him, she knew his voice and responded to his authority.

† From last year until now, what have you learnt from our Teacher? The world has changed drastically since then. What lessons, guidelines and encouragement have you received from Our Teacher?

† When we know the Saviour, we recognize his voice and believe, our fears subside and we relax.

† We honour His name as Mighty King and Master of everything, so we trust Him to guide and direct everything in our lives and indeed the world.

†When Peter spoke about Jesus in the Acts text, he witnessed of the Risen Saviour and his power to save.

†Paul challenged the Colossians in his text Chapter 3ff: *1So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 3:2Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, 3:3for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God 3:4When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.*

†Where are you along the journey of believing and testifying that there is Salvation in Jesus? Have you reached the stage of being a witness? Then you must sit at the feet of Jesus learning from Him. This is the only way you will truly hear his voice.

†Our goal is telling the world that Jesus saves. Consider yourself as a witness as you share in the Bread and Wine today. There are still persons who need to be transported to a new life in Christ Jesus.

The Nicene Creed

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, the Father, the Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, True God from True God, Begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us human beings, and for our salvation, he came down from heaven.

By the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary and was born a human being. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; He suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of Life who proceeds from the Father and who, with the Father and the Son, is worshipped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession followed by The Lord's Prayer
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Holy Communion)

As you share in the Lord's Supper make the conscious effort to affirm or reaffirm your Commitment to make yourself ready to serve Christ boldly, believing that God will provide, or to continue advancing the message of salvation.

If you are offering your gift upon the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has a grievance against you, leave your gift before the altar and go your way. First be reconciled with your brother or sister and then come and offer your gift.

The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you.
And also, with you

Let us pass the peace:

Hymn before Communion:

VIP 86 Jesus the Lord Said

Verse 1

Jesus the Lord says, I am the bread,
The bread of life for mankind am I.
The bread of life for mankind am I,
The bread of life for mankind am I.
Jesus the Lord says, I am the bread,
The bread of life for mankind am I.

Verse 2

Jesus the Lord said, "I am the door;
The way and the door for the poor am I
The way and the door for the poor am I

The way and the door for the poor am I

Jesus the Lord said, "I am the door;
The way and the door for the poor am I.

Verse 3

Jesus the Lord says, I am the light,
The one true light of the world am I.
The one true light of the world am I,
The one true light of the world am I.
Jesus the Lord says, I am the light,
The one true light of the world am I.

Verse 4

Jesus the Lord said, "I am the shepherd;
The one good shepherd of the sheep am I
The one good shepherd of the sheep am I
The one good shepherd of the sheep am I
Jesus the Lord said, "I am the shepherd;
The one good shepherd of the sheep am I.

Verse 5

Jesus the Lord says, I am the life,
The resurrection and the life am I.
The resurrection and the life am I,
The resurrection and the life am I.

Jesus the Lord says, I am the life,
The resurrection and the life am I.

The Action of the Bread and Wine

The Lord be with you.

And also, with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

It is right and fitting so to do.

It is a good and pleasant thing, joyful and salutary, always, and everywhere, to give you thanks and praise, Lord God, Ever-living, Ever-Blessed, Almighty, All-loving. Through Jesus Christ, your only Son our Lord, You, created all things and made us in your image. And when we had fallen into sin, You, gave him to be our Saviour. He shared our human nature and lived a fully human life. He suffered rejection and condemnation and died on the cross. You raised him up from the dead, and you exalted him to the glory of your right hand, where he reigns forever as priest and king and makes intercession for us. In witness of his glory and honour, you poured out the Holy Spirit, building up, many people into one Body, making us living members of your holy Church, and enabling us to stand before you to sing your praises and celebrate your mighty acts.

But today, especially, we praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, for he is the true Pascal Lamb, who was offered for us and has taken away the sin of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his resurrection has restored us to everlasting life. Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we join in the hymn of everlasting praise;

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of Hosts, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed are you, Lord God, King of the Universe, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; Who, on the night in which he was betrayed, Took bread into his holy hands and looking up to heaven, Gave thanks, broke it and gave it to his disciples saying, "Take this and eat it. This is My Body given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, after the supper, he took the cup, gave thanks and gave it to them saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is My Blood of the new covenant poured out for you and for many, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Therefore, Father, in obedience to his command, we do this in remembrance of him, praying that you will accept our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Grant that, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we who receive your gifts of bread and wine may share in the Body and Blood of Christ and become united with him. And, as we offer ourselves to you as a living sacrifice, we pray that you will bring us with your whole creation to your heavenly kingdom. This we pray through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

To whom with you, O Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory from all who dwell on earth and in heaven throughout the ages of ages.
Amen.

THE BREAD WHICH WE BREAK IS A SHARING IN THE BODY OF CHRIST.

Amen.

THE CUP OF BLESSING WHICH WE BLESS IS A SHARING IN THE BLOOD OF CHRIST.

Amen. Though we are many we are one Body because we share the one loaf and partake of the same drink.

Prayer of Humble Access:

LORD, we come to your table, trusting in your mercy and not in any goodness of our own. We are not worthy to gather up the crumbs under your table, but it is your nature always to have mercy, and on that we depend. So, feed us with the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, your Son, that we may for ever live in him and he in us. Amen.

WHILE WE ARE PARTAKING OF THE HOLY COMMUNION, PLEASE LISTEN TO THE FOLLOWING SONG BEING PLAYED THROUGH THE MULTIMEDIA THE INVITATION TO RECEIVE THE BREAD AND WINE

YOU WHO TRULY AND SINCERELY REPENT OF YOUR SINS, ARE IN LOVE AND CHARITY WITH YOUR NEIGHBOURS AND HAVE RESOLVED TO LEAD A NEW LIFE FOLLOWING THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD AND BY THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT, WALKING IN HIS HOLY WAYS, DRAW NEAR WITH FAITH, RECEIVE THE BODY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST WHICH WAS GIVEN FOR YOU AND HIS BLOOD WHICH WAS SHED FOR YOU, AND FEED ON HIM IN YOUR HEARTS BY FAITH WITH THANKSGIVING.

LORD'S SUPPER CLOSING PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Let us pray:

We thank you Lord, that you have fed us in this
Sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a
foretaste of the heavenly banquet prepared for all
mankind. Amen.

The Blessing of the Children

Closing Hymn VIP 92 Redeemed

Verse 1

Redeemed, by the precious blood of the lamb,
Redeemed, by the touch of the Saviour's hand,
Redeemed, we were saved and sanctified,
Redeemed, Alleluia, Redeemed!

Verse 2

Redeemed, when in sin and condemned to die
Redeemed, an ol' Satan was standing' by,
Redeemed, we were saved and sanctified,
Redeemed, Alleluia, Redeemed!

Verse 3

Redeemed, when in sorrow and nearly drown',
Redeemed on a broad road darkness bound,
Redeemed, we were saved and sanctified,
Redeemed, Alleluia, Redeemed!

Verse 4

Redeemed, by the precious blood of the lamb,
Redeemed, by the touch of the Saviour's hand,
Redeemed, we were saved and sanctified,
Redeemed, Alleluia, Redeemed!

BENEDICTION

Now to him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Saviour, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. —Jude 24–25

“And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.”

WELCOME

We welcome you to the Providence Methodist Church and hope you will find our worship inspiring, as we sing, pray and worship God. We welcome the Preacher for today, Rev. Dr. Marcelle Brathwaite.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

April 06, 2026 - Kascia Bradshaw

April 07, 2026 - Sis. Yvonne Newton

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

April 05, 2026 - Sis Sandra Boyce and husband, David

PRAYERS

Prayers are requested for our nation and people, those mourning the loss of loved ones, as well as the sick and homebound: Sisters: Sylvia Daniel, Verona Trotman, Cynthia Layne Patricia Felix, Yvonne Weekes. We give God thanks and praise for their lives, work and witness in our church and community.

NOTICES

Thursday, April 09, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. – Sunlight Bible Study facilitated by Rev. Pearson Blackman.

Thursday, April 09, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. – Circuit Prayer Meeting at via the ZOOM Platform.

Saturday March 11, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. Providence Prayer Fellowship will meet in the Providence Annex. Members and friends are encouraged to join in prayer and also learn about spiritual godly weapons.

Sunday, April 12, 2026, 2nd Lord's Day of the Resurrection – Join us in a service at 9:00 a.m. when Sis. Mary Inniss will be the Preacher The readings are as follow: Acts 2:14a, 22–32, Psalm 16 [VIP 575], 1 Peter 1:3–9, John 20:19–31.

Sunday, April 12, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. - The Bethel Methodist Church Easter Concert ***"An Easter Celebration-Christ Is Risen"***. The concert will feature the Si Nomen Singers of Barbados, the Bethel Church Choir, and Bajan Brass and other artistes. Donation: \$30.00 per adult, Children under 12 will be admitted free.

Kindly note the following Bethel Circuit Meetings via ZOOM:

- Monday, April 13, 2026 - Circuit Organisations and Education Committee Meeting at 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 14, 2026 - Circuit Resources and Development Committee Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
- Monday, April 20, 2026 - The Providence Congregational Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 17, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.– Circuit Youth Bible Study at the Dalkeith Church.

Wednesday, 22, April 2026 at 6:00 p.m.– Bethel Circuit Council Meeting at the Dalkeith Church.

The Department of Mission, Evangelism and Church Growth of the South Caribbean District presents the PROCLAMATION CONFERENCE 2026. It will be hosted by the North Trinidad Circuit, under the theme, "**ACTS 2026: Back to the Future**". The conference will be held via the ZOOM platform on the following dates:

- Thursday, April 23, 2026 from 6:00p.m. until 8:15 p.m.
- Friday, April 24, 2026 from 6:00 p.m. until 9:15 p.m.
- Saturday, April 25, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

The registration link is to be provided

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