

### FOR FURTHER READING

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## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12, 2026; 8:15 A.M.

*Gracious God,  
 we thank You for the empty tomb  
 and the hope it proclaims.  
 Through the resurrection of Jesus,  
 You offer us new life and joy in Christ—  
 a life renewed by grace, restored by love,  
 and strengthened by faith.  
 Help us to walk in this new life in Christ each day,  
 sharing the joy of the Resurrection with the world.*

Gathering Music	<i>"Living Hope"</i> By Phil Wickham	McKinley Pollock
Welcome & Invitation to Worship		Gina Brock
Parent-Child-Congregation Covenant		Lee Ritchie
	<i>Boone David Gottwalt</i> Son of Brian and Avery Gottwalt	
Prayer of Dedication		Lee Ritchie
Hymn	<i>"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"</i>	All Worshipers
Offertory Prayer		McKinley Pollock
Offertory	<i>"Assurance"</i> Arranged by JB Taylor	David Fitzgerald
Scripture Reading	1 Peter 1:3-9	Cecil Price
	Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
Song of Faith	<i>"Resurrection Day"</i> By Josh Baldwin	McKinley Pollock
Sermon	<i>"Perfect Joy"</i>	Tyler Tankersley
Practicing the Presence of God		Tyler Tankersley
Hymn 622	<i>"He Lives"</i>	All Worshipers
Life of the Church		Gina Brock
Benediction		Tyler Tankersley

APRIL 12, 2026  
*Second Sunday of Easter*



PERFECT JOY

*1 Peter 1:3-9*

ARDMORE BAPTIST CHURCH

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# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12, 2026; 10:45 A.M.

*Gracious God,  
we thank You for the empty tomb  
and the hope it proclaims.  
Through the resurrection of Jesus,  
You offer us new life and joy in Christ—  
a life renewed by grace, restored by love,  
and strengthened by faith.  
Help us to walk in this new life in Christ each day,  
sharing the joy of the Resurrection with the world.*

## JOYFUL, JOYFUL, WE ADORE THEE, GOD OF GLORY, LORD OF LOVE

Chiming of the Trinity	Matthew Cates
Lighting of the Christ Candle	Isaac Niland
Welcome & Invitation to Worship	Gina Brock
Prelude	<i>“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”</i> Ardmore Bells <i>Arranged by Mitchell Eithun</i>
Parent-Child-Congregation Covenant	Lee Ritchie
	<i>Boone David Gottwalt Son of Brian and Avery Gottwalt</i>

**To the church:** (stand) Do you recognize that you all are the body of Christ and, therefore, see that you have a responsibility to this child and his parents? Do you commit yourselves to teaching him the doctrines of the Christian faith, being a witness for Jesus Christ to him here and in this community, praying for him so he may be equipped through the ministries of this church to hear, respond, and grow in the Gospel of Jesus Christ? **(We do.)**

Prayer of Dedication Lee Ritchie

## WELL-SPRING OF THE JOY OF LIVING OCEAN DEPTH OF HAPPY REST

Hymn 310	<i>“Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”</i> All Worshipers
	<i>Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love; Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away; Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!</i>

*All Thy works with joy surround Thee,  
Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee,  
Center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
Flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird and flowing fountain  
Call us to rejoice in Thee.*

*Thou art giving and forgiving,  
Ever blessing, ever blest,  
Well-spring of the joy of living,  
Ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ, our Brother  
All who live in love are Thine;  
Teach us how to love each other,  
Lift us to the joy divine.*

*Mortals, join the mighty chorus  
Which the morning stars began;  
Love divine is reigning o’er us,  
Bringing all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
Victors in the midst of strife;  
Joyful music leads us sunward,  
In the triumph song of life.*

Offertory Prayer		McKinley Pollock
Offertory	<i>“Adagio”</i> <i>By Edward Elgar</i>	Matthew Cates

## ALL THY WORKS WITH JOY SURROUND THEE, EARTH AND HEAVEN REFLECT THY RAYS

Scripture Reading	1 Peter 1:3-9	Jason Ritchie
	Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. People: <b>Thanks be to God.</b>	
Anthem	<i>“When I Survey The Wondrous Cross”</i> <i>Words by Isaac Watts Music by Dan Forrest Levi Woodall, violin Sean Simmons, hand drum</i>	Sanctuary Choir

*When I survey the wondrous cross,  
On which the Prince of Glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss,  
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,  
Save in the death of Christ my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most,  
I sacrifice them to His blood.*

*See, from His head, His hands, His feet,  
Sorrow and love flow mingled down,  
Did e’er such love and sorrow meet,  
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,  
Were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine,  
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

## TEACH US HOW TO LOVE EACH OTHER, LIFT US TO THE JOY DIVINE

Sermon	<i>“Perfect Joy”</i>	Tyler Tankersley
Time of Response		Tyler Tankersley
Hymn 622	<i>“He Lives”</i>	All Worshipers

*I serve a risen Savior, He’s in the world today;  
I know that He is living, whatever foes 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.  
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.*

*In all the world around me I see His loving care,  
And though my heart grows weary, I never will despair.  
I know that He is leading through all the stormy blast;  
The day of His appearing will come at last.  
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.*

*Rejoice, rejoice, O Christian, 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.  
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.*

## JOYFUL MUSIC LEADS US SUNWARD, IN THE TRIUMPH SONG OF LIFE

Life of the Church		Gina Brock
Ecuador Commissioning		Tyler Tankersley
Benediction		Tyler Tankersley
Postlude	<i>“Allegro”</i> <i>By Paul Manz</i>	Matthew Cates