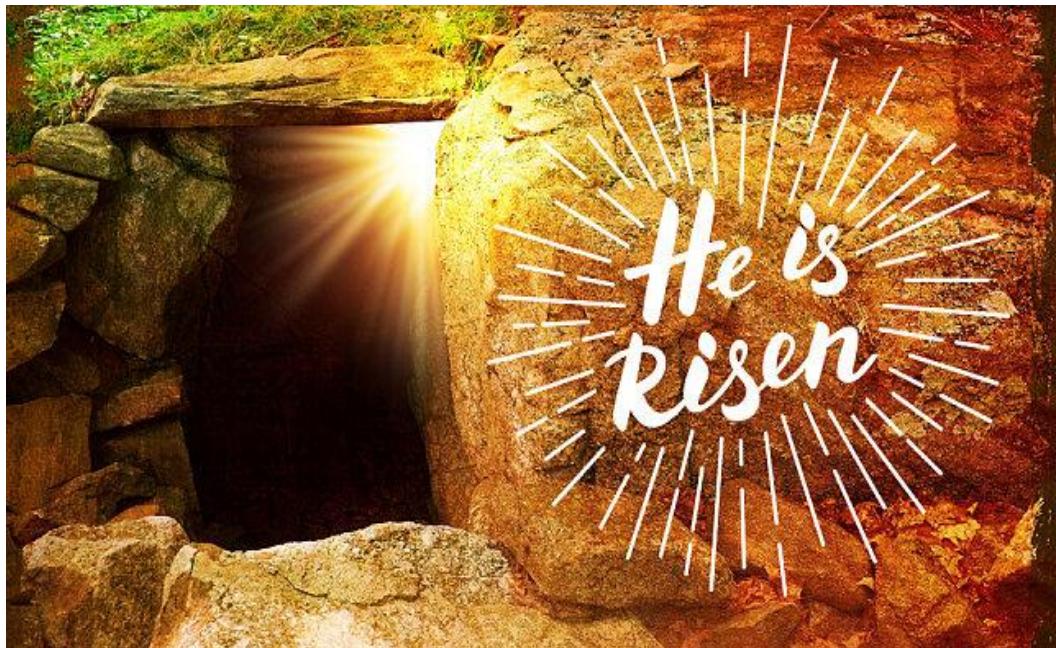


# Welcome to Brick Presbyterian Church



Happy Easter

Alleluia!

# ORDER FOR WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025

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Please stand as you are able

Congregational responses are in **bold**

## GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

### *A Silent Prayer for Your Use in Preparing to Worship*

God of glory, fill your church with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection, that, in the midst of the sinful world, it may signal the beginning of a renewed humanity, risen to new life with Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen. +

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WORDS OF WELCOME

Caitlyn Chandler

PRELUDE

*"Easter Joy"*

Peter Benjamin

Keyboardist, Cindy Dwyer

CALL TO WORSHIP

Dawn breaks. Light out of darkness. Life out of death. Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Hope replaces doubt. Faith overcomes fear. Love transforms hate. Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

The Light shines in the darkness. The darkness has not, and will not, overcome it.  
Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

\* HYMN

*"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"*

# 234

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Jill Moberg

JR. PRAISE TEAM

*"He Lives Again"* by Angie Killian & Joelle Einerson

CALL TO CONFESSION

Caitlyn Chandler

Friends, like the first disciples, we have endured the sack cloth and ashes of lent – the betrayal of Holy Thursday and the heartbreak of Christ's crucifixion. Let us take a moment to reflect upon how darkness has touched our lives and confess our need for Christ redeeming light.

*(We begin with a moment of silence for personal confession)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*(unison)*

**Glorious Lord of life, by the mighty resurrection of your son, you overcame the old order of sin and death to make all things new in Christ. Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to a life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.+**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE

Rev. Doug

St. Paul declared: "...I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord." Friends, we are forgiven by faith in the Christ who died for us, who arose for us, and who reigns in glory for us, and who prays for us. May the peace of the Risen Lord be with you. (Based upon Romans 8:38-39)

**And also with you.**

\* RESPONSE TO GRACE *"Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!"*

# 245 vs. 1

**"Christ the Lord is risen today!" Alleluia!**

All creation, join to say: Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

### THE WORD

#### \* PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Caitlyn Chandler

O Victorious God, roll away the stones that hinders our faith from seeing the hope you give us in a Risen Lord. May your Word reveal to us that light which shines in the darkness, that the darkness cannot overcome so we may be messengers of faith's true hope to the glory of our Risen Lord. **Amen.**

#### 1<sup>st</sup> SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

*Responsive*

O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

**Let Israel say, "His steadfast love endures forever."**

The LORD is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.

**There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD does valiantly;**

The right hand of the LORD is exalted; the right hand of the LORD does valiantly."

**I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the LORD.**

The LORD has punished me severely, but he did not give me over to death.

**Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD.**

This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it.

**I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

**This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

This is the day that the LORD has made;  
**let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

ANTHEM

*"Risen Indeed!"*

arr. Larry Shackley

BPC Choir | Keyboardist, Cindy Dwyer

2<sup>nd</sup> SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:1-18

Pew Bible p. 944

The Words of Holy Scripture for the people of God;

**Thanks be to God. Amen.**

MESSAGE

*"Moving On!"*

Pastor Emeritus Douglas G. Chase, B.A., M.Div., F.P.L.D.

### **RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD**

\* HYMN

*"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"*

# 232 vs. 1-3

\*THE APOSTLE'S CREED

(*unison*)

**I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy  
Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from  
the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the  
Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of  
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life  
everlasting. Amen.**

### **THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

## THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Lift up your voices to speak of this great love!

**We lift them up in joyful acclamation!**

It is right and good to give thanks to you, Living God. Time after time, you draw us here to inspire us, feed us, and save us. You are here, steadfast and true, especially when our love fails. You created this world and called it good. You created us to proclaim your good to all. Thus, we raise our voices in praise:

**Holy, Holy, Holy, God of Power and Might.**

**Heaven and Earth are full of Your Glory.**

**Hosanna in the Highest!**

**Blessed are they who come in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

We remember the life and ministry of Jesus: how he healed the sick, fed the hungry, ate with sinners, and preached forgiveness and peace. It was at this table that he issued the invitation: to gather together, to share together, to remember together, and to go and do likewise in the world.

## THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

We remember with thanksgiving our Lord's Supper, shared with his closest of friends, in which he took the bread and blessed it, broke it, and gave it to them, saying: This is my body. Take and eat it, remembering me.

We remember how he took a cup, saying: This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Drink it, all of you, in

remembering me.

And so, on this day of resurrection, we raise our voices to proclaim this timeless truth:

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

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us, your people, and on these gifts of bread and wine.

Make us lovers and tellers of your word. Make us healers and bestowers of your grace. And make us one body in Jesus Christ, to the glory of your sacred name. **Amen.**

### PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

*You are invited to come forward to receive the Communion elements from one of the stations at the front of the sanctuary.*

*The servers will hand the elements to you.*

*Gluten-Free and Regular premade, sealed Communion elements are available from the stations and from the server in the aisle.*

The Bread of Heaven; **Thanks be to God.**

The Cup of Salvation; **Amen.**

COMMUNION HYMN “*That Easter Day with Joy was Bright*”

# 254

BPC Choir | Keyboardist: Cindy Dwyer

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*(unison)*

**God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

*(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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

## MOMENT FOR GRATITUDE-

*Let us take a moment to silently thank God for the blessings in our lives, acknowledging all we have received through His grace.*

## OFFERING OF OUR LIVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

\* DOXLOGY      *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*      # 606

**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 *(unison)*

O Risen and Victorious Lord, we rejoice and praise you for your amazing love and power. Receive our gifts and heart-felt praise. As Christ comforted Mary, so use our offering to comfort the broken-hearted, relieve suffering, and reveal your reconciling Presence in the world. May all we think, say and do glorify you forever. Amen.

## RETURNING TO THE WORLD IN GOD'S NAME

\* HYMN

*"The Day of Resurrection!"*

# 233

CONNECTING OUR FAITH TO THE ACTIONS OF OUR CHURCH

CHARGE & BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*"Alleluia!"*

Franklin Ritter



**Worship Notes**

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**The Nursery, in classroom #1, is available for young children.**

Anna Kathenes



Penelopi Weaver

Acolytes



**Today's chancel flowers are given to the Glory of God,  
by Patrice & Craig Law in loving memory of  
Patricia Bertrand**

The Youth Group is having a bake sale today following the worship service.



**An Easter Egg Hunt** will follow the worship service on the front lawn. *In case of inclement weather, it will be held in the FLC.*



### **Spaghetti Dinner at BPC**

**Friday May 2<sup>nd</sup>**

**5:00pm – 8:00pm**

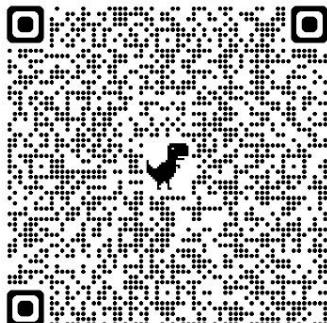
**\$20.00 each Adults**

**Children 12 years old & under \$10.00 each**

**BYOB**

**See Linda or Lynn for Tickets**

To donate online to Brick Presbyterian Church,  
please scan the QR code below:



**The Food Pantry** is in need of breakfast foods for the rest of **April** and **May**. *Specifically, the following:*

*Black Tea & Coffee*

*Oatmeal*

*Pancake Mix & Pancake Syrup*

*Corn Muffin Mix*

**Attention Members and Friends of BPC**

There will be a Special Drum Pt Road Overdevelopment meeting in the FLC this Thursday from 7-9pm. Please make it a point to attend this very important meeting. **SAVE THE WOODS** - or this neighborhood will be changed forever!!

## Prayer List

Gary Baker, Bill Bixenman, Donovan & Family,  
Figueroa family, Lori & Harold Fisher, Kiernan Holster,  
Rich Irwin, Greg Morrison, Michael Toth, Bob & Sue Towlen,  
Gary Tutzaurer, Judy Willbergh



## And Our Homebound:

Christine Meiselman - Hampton Ridge, Toms River



***Easter Flowers are Given by the Following Members & Friends***

**The Aldrich Family** - *in memory of our loved ones*

**Mary & Bill Burdge & Nancey Olsen** - *in memory of Lewis & Ruth Cook and  
- Irene Hoffman*

**Terry & Art Duckworth** - *in memory of Roy & Teresa Galiardi and Kaitlyn Duckworth*

**Mark & Karen Ellis** - *in memory of all our loved ones.*

**The Fortier Family** - *in memory of Joe & Peggy Costa and Robert Fortier*

**Michael Fortunah Jr.** - *in memory of my wife, Charlotte*

**Susan Gargano** - *in memory of by beloved parents, Alice & Fred Schwankert*

**Joan Horan** - *you are always in our hearts, - in loving memory of Gary Horan, Jr.  
- and Arthur & Muriel Best*

**Joe & Debbie Johnson** - *in memory of our loved ones*

**The Kathenes Family** - *in memory of Hank & Gloria Kathenes*

**Jimmy Kathenes** - *in memory of Larry Kathenes*

**The Kathenes Family** - *in memory of Florence Mallinson*

**Craig & Patrice Law** - *in memory of our parents,  
- Don & Patricia Bertrand and Jewel & Dorothy Law*

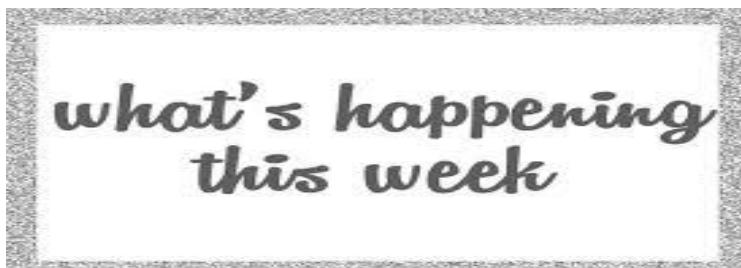
**Walter & Lynda Pullis** - *in memory of our loved ones*

**Jean Reilly** - *in memory of Doug, Tim & Erin Reilly*

**Wendy & Fred Schweis** - to thank God for our two awesome blessings,  
- Eric Alan & Kelly Sue

**Jane Steinhauser** - in memory of my loved ones

**Lauren Towlen** - in memory of Bob & Gerry White



<b>Monday, Apr 21</b>	<b>Holiday - Church Office Closed</b>	
	Seated Strength & Stretch	5:30PM
	Strength Club	6:00PM
	Bells Rehearsal	5:00PM
	Cub Scouts	6:00PM
<b>Tuesday, Apr 22</b>	<b>Girls Scouts</b>	6:00PM
<b>Wednesday, Apr 23</b>	<b>Food Pantry Open</b>	10:00AM - 2:00PM
	Seated Strength & Stretch	5:30PM
	Strength Club	6:00PM
	Boy Scouts	7:00PM
<b>Thursday, Apr 24</b>	<b>Drum Pt Overdevelopment Mtg</b>	7:00PM-9:00PM
	<b>Pentecostal Church Bible Study</b>	7:30PM-9:00PM

<b>Saturday, Apr 26</b>	<b>Strength Club</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>
	<b>Pet Blessing</b>	<b>10:00AM -12:00PM</b>
<b>Sunday, Apr 27</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>9:00AM</b>
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>10:00AM</b>
	<b>Pentecostal Church Worship</b>	<b>12:00 – 3:00PM</b>

## Recovery Meetings @ BPC

NA Meeting in Fellowship Hall      Thursday - 6:30PM



# & Pet Adoption Opportunities

**Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**10am – 12noon**

**Brick Presbyterian Church**  
**111 Drum Point Road, Brick, NJ 08723 \* 732-477-0676**  
**BrickPresby.com \* brick.presbyterian@verizon.net**

Michael Kraynick, *Clerk Pro-tem*; Jim McGuire, *Moderator of the Session*  
Michael Candeloro, *Moderator of Deacons*; Sabrina Nagy, *Vice Moderator*  
Tracey Podolsky, *Secretary*

**Session**

***Class of 2026***

*Katie Candeloro, Michael Kraynick, Lynn Mizer, Jean Reilly*

***Class of 2027***

*Brian Aldrich, Michael Auriemma, Missy Brino, Mark Ellis*

***Class of 2028***

*Sandra Alho, Diane Lehnes, Lynda Pullis, Christy Tompkins*

**Board of Deacons**

***Class of 2026***

*Sue Britton, Michael Candeloro, Joan Horan, Tim Towlen, Shawn Trautweiler*

***Class of 2027***

*Kevin Nagy, Sabrina Nagy, Tracey Podolsky, Wendy Schweis*

***Class of 2028***

*Elorm Banini, Lance Erikson, Elaine Salto, Sofia Thalheimer*

**Staff**

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*Lauren Dyke, Christian Education Lead*

*Karen Ellis, Financial Secretary*

*Mike Kraynick, Treasurer*

*Patricia Loboda, Administrative Assistant*

*Bonnie Luton, Handbell Choir Director*

*Edmond Murphy, Director of Vocal Music*

*Christy Tompkins, Praise Team Leader*

*Rev. Doug Chase, Pastor Emeritus*