



Westside Baptist Church Bulletin

April 20, 2025
1st Sunday
of Easter

Speaker: Pastor Alan Yu

During Worship

- ▶ Be still and prepare your heart for worship.
- ▶ Please close the main hall doors gently during worship services.
- ▶ Please take care of your personal belongings to avoid theft.

Offering

- ▶ Welcome to donate via E-transfer, email: westsidebaptistoffering@gmail.com
- ▶ To donate by cash or cheque, please use an offering envelope and put it into the offering bag during worship.
- ▶ When making a donation, please indicate your donation envelope number and your full legal name. The offering envelope number can be obtained from the church office.

Notes to CitRUs parents:

- ▶ The enrollment age for CitRUs Children's Ministry starts from age 3; one parent can accompany children under 3 to participate in worship in Room B.
- ▶ Classes are held on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am at Room E & F.
- ▶ Please supervise your children after you have picked them up from the classroom.

Parking

- ▶ The upstairs parking lot (Parking Lot 1) is designated for new comers, people with reduced mobility, the elderly and families with young children.
- ▶ The indoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2) will be closed at 1:00 pm on Sundays. Afterwards, you will have to wait until 10:00 am on Tuesday morning to collect your vehicle.
- ▶ Additional parking spaces are available at 8508 Ash Street (Parking Lot 3) on Saturdays from 4:00 - 7:00pm and Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Maps are available in the foyer.
- ▶ To be considerate of our neighbors, please do not park in the residential area.
- ▶ When parking in the outdoor parking lot downstairs (Parking Lot 2), please be careful not to block the emergency exits and keep a distance of 3 feet from the building's exterior wall so that the emergency exit doors can be fully opened.
- ▶ Please park and lock your bike/e-bike outside. Do not park the bike inside the building.
- ▶ Congregants are required to register online annually to park at the church or 8508 Ash during worship services. Registration link: <https://forms.gle/TDSft5sAJgk5QMeN8>



Scripture Reading Plan

- ▶ During Eastertide, we will be reading the Gospel of John together. Unlike Matthew, Mark, and Luke, which we have read, John presents the story of Jesus from a unique perspective. During our Eastertide sermons, we will particularly focus on the seven "I am" statements of Jesus recorded in John. As we read the story of Jesus, we encourage you to imagine him as the triumphant one over evil and darkness.
- ▶ Reading Plan for this week:
 - ▶ Apr 20 (Sunday) Matthew 28:1-10
 - ▶ Apr 21 (Monday) Matthew 28:11-20
 - ▶ Apr 22 (Tuesday) Mark 16:1-11
 - ▶ Apr 23 (Wednesday) Mark 16:12-20
 - ▶ Apr 24 (Thursday) Luke 24:1-12
 - ▶ Apr 25 (Friday) Luke 24:13-35
 - ▶ Apr 26 (Saturday) Luke 24:36-53
 - ▶ Apr 27 (Sunday) John 1:1-18

Co·Mission

21. I am the Resurrection

[Mark 16:1-8, John 11:17-27]

“Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die;” [John 11:25]

Sermon Outline

Introduction

Content

1. The Meaning of Resurrection

My Reflection

- ▶ What did God tell me through the message today?

2. The Meaning of Believing

Conclusion

Praise Songs

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- ▶ Open the Gates
Sandy Yu
© 2017 Stream of Praise Music / CCLI# 580220
- ▶ O Praise The Name (Anástasis)
Benjamin Hastings, Dean Ussher, Marty Sampson
© 2015 Hillsong Music Publishing Australia
- ▶ Resurrecting
Chris Brown, Mack Brock, Matthews Ntlele, Steven Furtick, Wade Joye
© 2015 Music by Elevation Worship Publishing
- ▶ Loyal unto death
Fong Man Chung
© 2019 Worship Nations Ltd
- ▶ Doxology
Music: Genevan Psalter, 1551
Word: Thomas Ken, 1674

Children Choir

- ▶ Worthy is the Lamb
Darlene Zschech /
© 2004 Hillsong Worship
- ▶ He Is Lord
Bob Singleton
© Agnes Day Music

My Prayer Response

- ▶ Write down your responsive prayer for God's word today.

My Action Response

- ▶ What changes will you make in response to God's word today?

Small Group Discussions

Testimony

1. Please share about your multimedia meditation experience last week. What do you find rewarding? What do you find frustrating?

Know

2. Please review your sermon notes for this week. What did you learn that you did not know previously?
3. Read together again Mark 16:1-8 and John 11:1-44. What impression does this passage give you? What is the most intriguing saying in this passage to you? Why?
4. Why is Jesus' resurrection described as a "revolutionary" and "subversive" event?
5. What does it mean that Jesus is the "firstfruits" of the resurrection?
6. How does the resurrection of Jesus redefine the power of death and evil?
7. According to the sermon, what does the resurrection mean for our relationship with darkness, brokenness, and evil?
8. What does it mean when it says Jesus gives us not just life after death, but new life now?

Feel

9. When you hear that Jesus has power over death, what emotions arise in you? Do you know why?
10. Have you ever experienced a moment where you felt the grip of hopelessness? How does the resurrection speak to that moment?
11. Have you ever struggled like Martha—saying the right things about faith but not truly trusting in your heart?
12. Are there parts of your life where you sense the need to move from theological agreement to transformational belief?

Plan

13. What are the hindrances (including internal and external) for you to embody resurrection hope in your life? What are the effective ways to remove these hindrances? Please ask your group members for advice.

Do

14. Resolve to embody resurrection hope in your life. Share how practically you'll do this with your group members.
15. Invite a group member to be your accountability partner, and give him/her permission to rebuke you when you have not followed through on your resolution.
16. Commit to embody resurrection hope in your life. Ask the Holy Spirit to mould you more into the likeness of Jesus.

Announcements

- ▶ **New members profiles** have been posted on the bulletin board. Members to be baptized are Frankie Chan, Nathan Chan, Samantha Chu, Nathaniel Lam and Charlotte Ng. Members to be transferred are Frank Ip, Carey Chiu, Ben Mak and Selina Lam.

- ▶ **New Christian Education.** Topic: Faithful Presence (7 lessons) April 27 - June 8 10:45 - 11:45am in Room E. Please register at universe.com/westside
- ▶ The **Youth Camp** at Trinity Western University is from May 16–19, 2025, for XP3, Gzone, and Adiel students. Details and registration: <https://tinyurl.com/2s3dw468>
- ▶ The church will be holding a fundraiser to support the camp fees for the leaders serving at the youth camp in May. Donors are required to fill out the pledge form below. Deadline: Sunday, April 27. There is no minimum pledge amount—we are grateful for any contribution. However, please do not send funds or place donations in the offering bag until we have contacted you. Pledge form link: <https://forms.gle/sFigs8eVvpJ3SMZX6>
- ▶ The church's **33rd anniversary celebration** includes:
 1. From April 28 to May 1 at 8:00 PM each night – Online "Human Library" To encourage participation, all small groups will attend this special gathering in place of their regular meetings during that week. Zoom links will be distributed through small group leaders. For those who are not yet part of a group, please contact the church office or a pastor.
 2. A group photo will be taken after all three worship services on May 3 and 4.
 3. A bilingual Praise and Thanksgiving Worship Service will be held on May 2 at 7:30 PM.
- ▶ We are also recruiting volunteers for the **Vacation Bible School**, which will be held from August 18 to 22. If you are interested in serving, please contact Pastor Alan.
- ▶ **Monthly Bulletin** consists of the financial report and deacon board summary has been published.

Fellowship Life

- ▶ Westside 101 is a course designed for anyone who wishes to join us as a member through baptism or transfer of membership. It consists of approximately five 90-minute classes. Please register at universe.com/westside 
- ▶ Small groups are the heart of our fellowship life and an essential part of our holistic Christian living. We invite you to join our small groups if you are willing to commit. To register, please visit universe.com/westside 