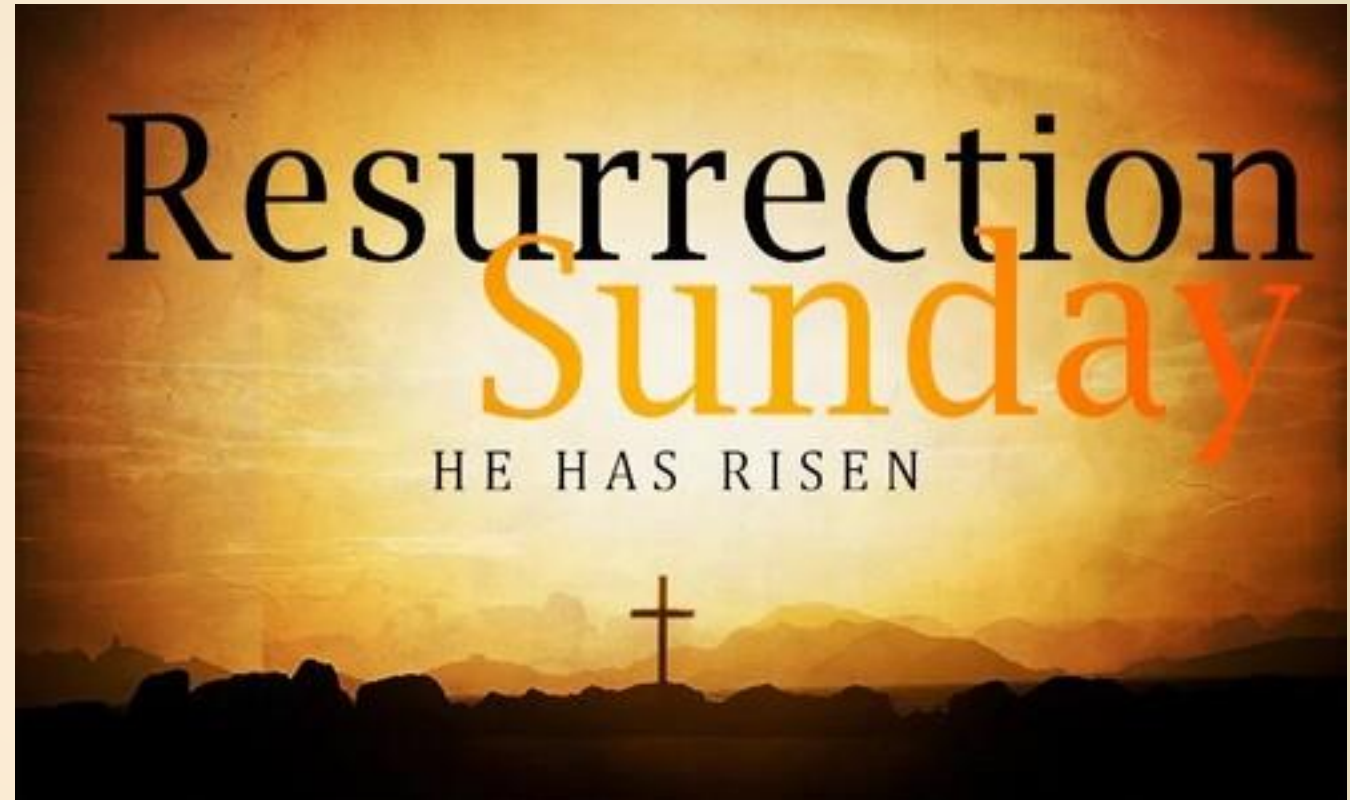


Logos Class

April 5, 2026

**FRC Education Building
Rooms 123&124**



He is Risen! He has Risen Indeed!

Class Schedule for the next few weeks

✓ ***Palm Sunday*** – Mar 29, 2026.

✓ *Daily emails for Passion Week*



✓ ***Resurrection Sunday*** – Apr 5, 2026



• *April 12, 2026 – Resume Zechariah study (Ch 10)*

Before we get started...

- Resurrection Sunday is the most pivotal day in Christian Church History
 - Not just bunnies, eggs, brightly colored clothes, and chocolate
 - A day that changed the world and the destiny of mankind
- I have never seen America so polarized on issues that one would think are pretty solid.
 - Gender issues - Women against Men, changing genders
 - Families- what makes a family, marriage
 - The right of Israel to exist, the right of Jews to exist
 - The toleration of faith in general, and Christianity and Judaism in particular.
 - The Apostasy of the Church- The great falling away
 - Unfettered Immigration – a country with no borders is not a country
 - Communism and socialism are tearing our country apart by separating generations of people. No Kings, Resist, Anti Border Patrol, and Ice

We can argue how we got here, but we are here now

- This tension has intensified due to the political chaos in both the US and Israel. It is also prevalent in Europe as migrants alter long-standing norms in the UK, France, Germany, Sweden, Spain, and the Netherlands.
- This time of the year also increases problematic actions, with Ramadan, Easter, and Passover all in close proximity. Terror events rise against God and all things that are related to Him.
- The war with Iran is causing surprising divisions between allies, within our own country, and around the world. The world is in a state of flux, but hopefully it will subside as the war winds down.

BUT GOD

- In all of the cauldron of emotion and fighting that is the Middle East, the savior of the world came by birth, lived as a man, died a cruel death, and was resurrected bodily to give us hope, everlasting life in Heaven, and Peace on Earth. This is what today is really about. We study His Word that predicts all of it and gives us life instructions.

Thankful

I am thankful this year again to celebrate this life-changing day with our family, **both here in First Redeemer and here in Georgia**. I am joyful that today we celebrate the most significant event in the history of the world that has happened *...so far*.

- We will talk about the events of the Resurrection in a few minutes, but without this event happening, there would be no difference between Christianity and pagan religions.
 - A leader who died and stayed dead.
 - A leader who can promise no eternity beyond this life **and demonstrate it to us**.
 - A leader who focuses on what we gain on earth, with nothing in the afterlife.
 - *Sure, some mystics imagine a world of fantasy, but a real savior that promises eternal life in Heaven...not so much.*
- So it is with Mohammed, Joseph Smith, with Buddha, and the gods of the secular religions like Communism, Humanism, and Socialism that are so prevalent today.

Why is the Resurrection so Important?

- Because Christ was raised from the dead, we know that God has entered into earth's history, and we are headed for redemption, not disaster. God's power is at work destroying sin, creating new lives, and preparing us for the Lord's return*
- The Resurrection proves that death has been conquered, and we too will be raised to be with the Lord. We are made new, with His Spirit in us.*
- It gives authority to the witness of the church in the world today*
- It helps us find meaning in the great tragedies of life. No matter what happens in this life we have Hope for the future and seeing our loved ones again in Heaven*
- It gives us assurance our Lord is alive and with the Father in Heaven*
- The power of the Resurrection is available to us through the Holy Spirit that lives in us.*
- It assures believers of being Heaven-bound- Our real Home for eternity*

Last Week Review- Triumphal Entry on Palm Sunday

- *The time when Messiah declared who He is, and made public his appearance to the nation of Israel, and its People...His People*
- *Fulfilling all the OT prophecies of the **time of His Appearing**, to the details called out in the Prophets of His **entry, his death, his atonement** for the sins of the people, **his ultimate rejection** by the Jews and the Jewish System, **His method of death**, and after 3 days **His Resurrection**.*
- *The events of Holy Week and the daily activities we have read about set the stage for this day of Resurrection and Glory.*

Gospel Account Keys – Let's go through the Gospels

Matthew 28:1-10

-> We will come back to this account in more detail

- *At dawn on Sunday.*
 - *Mary Magdalene and other Mary go to the tomb.*
 - *Earthquake.*
 - *Angel rolls back stone.*
 - *Guards “like dead men”.*
 - *Angel talks to women.*
 - *Tell them to tell the disciples, “He has risen...go to Galilee.”*
 - *Women run to tell disciples.*
 - *Jesus meets them. They worship him.*
 - *Tell “my brothers” to go to Galilee. Disciples don’t believe them.*
 - *Guards report to the chief priests and hatch a plan to deceive*

Gospel Account Keys

Mark 16:1-8

- *When Sabbath ends (after sundown on Saturday), Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James & Salome buy spices.*
- *Very early on Sunday, go to the tomb.*
 - *The stone had already been rolled away.*
 - *The women see a “young man” in a white robe and are alarmed*
 - *“He is risen!” Tell disciples to meet Jesus in Galilee.*
 - *Women said nothing because they were afraid.*
- ❖ *Jesus first appeared to Mary Magdalene.*
- ❖ *Mary told the disciples who were mourning and crying. **They did not believe.***
- ❖ *Jesus appeared to two disciples who were “walking in the country”.*
- ❖ *These disciples returned and reported it to the other disciples.*
- ❖ *Jesus appeared to the Eleven.*
- ❖ *- these events appear in Mark 16:9-20, but are not in the earliest manuscripts*

Gospel Account Keys

Luke 24:1-49

- *Very early Sunday morning.*
 - *Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and others with them go to the tomb.*
 - *The stone had already been rolled away. Body gone.*
 - *Two men appear. “He has risen!”*
 - *Women told the Eleven and “all the others”.*
 - *Apostles didn’t believe.*
 - *Peter runs to the tomb.*
- *That same day:*
 - *Two disciples going to Emmaus encounter Jesus.*
 - *Jesus walks with them, explains Scripture, breaks bread, and disappears.*
 - *The two disciples return to Jerusalem to tell the others.*
 - *[At some point, Jesus appeared to Peter. It is mentioned here but not described.]*
- *Jesus appears to them all, shows hands and feet, eats, and opens their minds so they can understand Scripture.*

Gospel Account Keys

John 20:1-23

- *Sunday, while still dark.*
 - *Mary Magdalene goes to the tomb.*
 - *The stone has already been removed.*
 - *Mary goes to Peter and “the disciple Jesus loved (John).”*
 - *Tells them that someone **took Jesus** out of the tomb.*
 - *Peter, the other disciple, and Mary all go to the tomb.*
 - *Peter and the other disciple believe the women but don’t understand.*
 - *Peter and John look into the tomb, and John now understands **that He had not been taken***
 - *Mary stays, cries.*
 - *Two angels talk with her.*
 - *She sees Jesus but does not recognize him. Thought he was a gardener. (symbol)*
 - *Jesus says her name, and she recognizes him.*
 - *They talk. Mary clings to him*
 - *Mary goes to the disciples to tell them she has **seen** Jesus.*
- *That evening.*
 - *Jesus appears to the disciples.*
 - *Shows hands, feet, and side. **Thomas not present.***

John 20:3-10

A little deeper view...

³ So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb.

⁴ Both were running, but the **other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first.**

⁵ He bent over and looked in at the **strips of linen** lying there **but did not go in.**

⁶ Then Simon **Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb.** He saw the strips of linen lying there,

⁷ **as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus' head.** The cloth was still lying **in its place**, separate from the linen.

⁸ **Finally** the other disciple (John), who had reached the tomb first, **also went inside. He saw and believed.**

⁹ (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

¹⁰ Then the disciples went back to where they were staying.

Pictures from Garden Tomb

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Tomb Pictures



- From a presentation to group travelling to Israel
- T is for Tradition. If not actual site, it is Biblically correct
- Note the groove in front of the entrance is where Stone would be
 - Been repaired due to earthquake damage
- Opening is Soul Window
- Hill that resembles a skull still there

Pictures of Garden Tomb - Inside

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Tomb Pictures



- Enter the Tomb into Mourning area, and to right is shelf for body
- Protected by gated fence inside
- Carved into the Rock

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Matt 28:1-4

28 After the **Sabbath(s)**, at dawn on the **first day** of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

2 There was a **violent earthquake**, for an **angel of the Lord** came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, **rolled back the stone and sat on it.**

3 His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow.

4 The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

Matt 28:5-10

⁵ *The angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified.*

⁶ *He is not here; **He has risen**, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay.*

⁷ *Then go quickly and tell his disciples: ‘He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.’ Now I have told you.”*

⁸ *So the women hurried away from the tomb, **afraid yet filled with joy**, and ran to tell his disciples.*

⁹ *Suddenly, Jesus met them. “**Greetings**,” he said. They came to him, clasped his feet, and worshiped him.*

¹⁰ *Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”*

Matt 28:11-15.

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11 While the women were on their way, some of the guards went into the city and reported to the chief priests everything that had happened.

12 When the chief priests had met with the elders and **devised a plan**, they gave the soldiers a large sum of money,

13 telling them, “You are to say, ‘His disciples came during the night and stole him away while we were asleep.’”

14 If this report gets to the governor, we will satisfy him and keep you out of trouble.”

15 So the soldiers took the money and did as they were instructed. And this story has been widely circulated among the Jews to this very day.

Matt 28:16-20 Great Commission

16 Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go.

17 When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted.

*18 Then Jesus came to them and said, “**All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.***

*19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all **nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,*

*20 and **teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.** And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”*

Final thoughts...

- *Resurrection Sunday is what makes Christianity different from other “religions”*
- *We have a sure path to salvation, and an eternity with the Lord when we accept His free gift of Salvation...**accept by Faith alone, in Christ alone***
- *This day is a pivot point in the opening for the children of God to be Gentiles and not just Jews. This transition completes at Pentecost with the coming of the Holy Spirit, who lives in us and seals us for salvation.*
- *We must share this Good News with the world and disciple and grow new believers to be followers of the Lord. I believe the time is short, and we are living in the foreshadowing of the Tribulation Period...The Rapture is coming soon*
- *We must focus on who we are, and whose we are in living in the dangerous and chaotic world we find ourselves living in today. **Keep looking up!***

HE IS RISEN...HE IS RISEN INDEED

Notable Quotables

“The resurrection of Jesus Christ is the single greatest event in the history of the world. It is so foundational to Christianity that no one who denies it can be a true Christian.” Dr. John MacArthur

*If the resurrection of Jesus Christ did not happen, the **Apostle Paul** said **1 Corinthians 15:14-19***

- *Our preaching is in vain.*
- *Our faith in Jesus as our Savior and Lord is in vain – Christianity is just another dead religion.*
- *We are still in bondage to our sin nature.*
- *We are still under God’s eternal judgment for our sins.*
- *Our deceased loved ones have perished forever.*
- *This life is all there is, for death ends it all.*

*However, as the **Apostle Paul** said in **1 Corinthians 15:20**, “But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.” Because He rose, those who belong to Him will rise too. Jesus’ physical resurrection from the grave guarantees the future resurrection for those who have received Him as their Savior and Lord.*

Think about how powerful that is.

- *Jesus’ death on the cross fulfilled the Feast of **Passover**.*
- *Jesus’ sinless life and burial in the tomb fulfilled the Feast of **Unleavened Bread**.*
- *Jesus’ victorious resurrection from the grave fulfilled the Feast of **Firstfruits**.*

*Jesus’ resurrection was proof that the rest of the harvest is coming. Charles **Spurgeon** wrote: “Upon a life I did not live, upon a death I did not die, I risk my whole eternity on the resurrection.”*

Alistair Begg – Without the Preaching of the Cross

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Happy Easter (Resurrection Day)

Next week

- *We will come back and pick up with Zechariah*
- *Thank the Lord for what He has done, and praise His name for everything in your life...**be a grateful person***
- *Pray for our world, country, state, and all the leaders*
- *Pray for your church, its leadership, and Pastors*
- *Pray for your family and your friends, both inside and outside of the church*
- *Pray for those who don't know the Lord to come to Him*
- *Pray for Israel and His will to be done...*