

Laurinburg Presbyterian Church
600 West Church St. Laurinburg, NC 28352
Easter Sunday - The Festival of the Resurrection
April 16, 2017



Founded 1859

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
Easter Sunday - The Festival of the Resurrection
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Eleven o'clock

Prayer for Reflection:

On this wondrous Easter Day, God, we remember your promises and rejoice. You have known death and desertion; you have suffered and wept. But now you bring hope and exultation to heaven and earth! Guide us by your Word, that we may live as faithful, confident disciples, following where you lead. Amen

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please print your name on the Friendship Pad found at the end of the pew, and return it to its starting place.

WE ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Prelude Hymn to Joy, arr. Ferguson Brass and Organ

Choral Introit Christ is Risen, Alleluia! Albrecht and Althouse
Chancel Choir and Brass

CALL TO WORSHIP From an Easter Hymn

One: Christ has risen while earth slumbered; Christ has risen where hope died; as he said and as he promised, though we doubted and denied.

All: Let the moon embrace the blessing; let the sun sustain the cheer; let the world confirm the rumor: Christ is risen, God is here!

One: Christ has risen for the people whom he died to love and save; Christ has risen for the women bringing flowers to grace his grave.

All: Christ has risen for disciples huddled in an upstairs room. He whose word inspired creation can't be silenced by the tomb! Amen

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Hymn 232 Jesus Christ is Risen Today

*CALL TO CONFESSION

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Lord, victor over sin and death: through the ages loud songs of praise resound to your name. But too often our own voices are silent, our trust small, our confidence weak, and our excitement minimal. We have not fully acknowledged our sin, so we have not personally felt your victory. We deny that we helped put you on the cross, or that others suffer at our hands. Thus, our faith remains shallow and our alleluias are dim. Forgive us, Lord. On this glorious Easter Day, give us courage to face our failures, confront our cross, and emerge in the joyful victory of the resurrection. Please hear also these silent prayers of repentance....

Silent Prayer

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

One: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

One: Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another. The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks (Refrain)

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name.**

WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME

(On communion Sundays we invite children to remain with their parents in worship rather than going to Sunday school. Parents of young children may take them to the nursery as needed.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE EPISTLE READING Romans 6:1-8 NT Pg. 156

One: The word of God for the people of God

All: Thanks be to God

ANTHEM For He Rose Nygard Chancel Choir and Trumpet

GOSPEL LESSON Luke 24: 1-12 NT pg. 90

One: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

THE MESSAGE "An Idle Tale"

*HYMN 647 Give Thanks With A Grateful Heart

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

OFFERING OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

OFFERTORY O God, Our Help in Ages Past arr. Harmon
Organ and Brass

*DEDICATION RESPONSE: The Doxology, #609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise God, in Jesus fully known: Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION AND THANKSGIVING (unison)

We recognize, Lord, that you have given us more than we can ever give to you. Accept at least these grateful hearts as our sacrifice of praise, and guide us to use rightly the gifts we now dedicate in your honor. Amen

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

AN INVITATION TO THE TABLE

CALL TO THANKSGIVING

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE BREAD AND CUP

(Communion today is by distribution of the elements. Our bread is gluten free. Worshippers may eat the bread as they receive it, but are asked to hold the cup until all have been served.)

COMMUNION MUSIC

Soloists and Choir

505 The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

513 This Is the Feast of Victory

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this holy meal, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the marriage feast of the Lamb. So strengthen us in your service that our daily living may show our thanks, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*HYMN 238

Thine is the Glory

*BENEDICTION

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**He is Lord, He is Lord, He is risen from the dead and He is Lord!
Every knee shall bow, every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord!**

POSTLUDE

Toccatà from Symphony No. 5

Widor

**All who are able may stand*

The Lay Leader For Worship Today Is Fred Mabry

Welcome to everyone in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

May each of us know the presence of the risen Christ as we worship and feel the warmth and love of the community of Christ here today. If you are searching for a church home, we invite you to join us in the worship and work of Jesus Christ through the ministries of this congregation. To receive information about the life of this faith community, please mark the Friendship Pad.

UPCOMING EVENTS

TODAY

Easter Sunday Worship

Apr. 17

7:00 pm Session

Apr. 18

5:00 pm CNE

Apr. 24

5:30 PW Coordinating

April 26

6:00 pm Fellowship Dinner By Reservations

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO ELECT PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE NEXT SUNDAY:

Please plan on remaining after worship next Sunday, April 23 to vote on the slate of candidates for the Pastor Nominating Committee. The boards and organizations of the church and the congregation's nominating committee place before you these names:

From the session - David Herr and Janet Smith

From the deacons - Jacque Britt and Lynn Davis

From the PW - Virginia Ann McCormick

From the youth - Ryan Phillips

At-large members of the congregation: Fred Mabry, Bradley Williams, and Betsy Massey.

APRIL SANCTUARY COMMITTEE

Candy Nichols, Co-chair, Jane McLaurin, Heather Peele,

Kristen Broadbelt, Kristen Anderson

APRIL USHER TEAM # 3

Hal Jerningan, Lead, Gus Purcell, Gus Purcell Jr, Jackson Purcell,

Bill Loftus, Allen McLaurin, John McLaurin, Penny McLaurin,

Gray Sellers, Anne Sprouse, Jimmy Stubbs, Philip Wilkinson,

Clint Willis, Charles Bounds, Phil Eshleman

NOTES AND THANKS

The office will be closed Easter Monday.

The Daycare will be closed Easter Monday and Tuesday, will resume operations on April 19th.

St. Andrews Final Exam Stress Buster -- Calling all LPC Bakers! The St. Andrews Final Exam **"Cookies and Milk"** Stress Buster event will be hosted by the LPC Deacons on Sunday evening, April 30. If you would like to help, please bring your cookies, or other goodies, to the church before 5:30 on Sunday, April 30, and leave them in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Also, please include a note if they contain nuts or coconut. The LPC Deacons and St. Andrews students thank you!

The North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society will hold its Annual Spring Tour on **Friday and Saturday, April 21-22**, in Moore and Richmond counties. We will meet at noon Friday at the Jackson Springs Presbyterian Church, celebrating its bicentennial; visit historic Mt. Carmel Church and the restored Bostick Schoolhouse, spend the night in Pinehurst, learn the history of First Church in Hamlet and enjoy the National Railroad Museum there, and end up with lunch at Mark's Creek Church. We hope you can join us for a very interesting tour. Registration is \$20. For more details about the tour, and also the registration form, go to our website at www.ncphsociety.org, or contact Program Chair Steve McRae at (336) 693-1929.

Thank you so much,

Barbara Cain

Newsletter Editor, North Carolina Presbyterian Historical Society

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN thank all of those who put Easter lilies in the sanctuary today in memory and in honor of a friend or family member. **Please remember to take your Easter lily home with you following today's service.**

The Easter Lilies are given in memory of:

Angus Pait by Shirley Pait

Lindsey Thomas by the family

Edwin and Eunice McNeill by Andy and Emily Womble
Edwin and Lena Womble by Andy and Emily Womble
Ann Groves McNeill by Andy and Emily Womble
Jack and Ellen Loftus by Bill, Edna Ann and Will Loftus
John and Margaret Osanski by Bill, Edna Ann and Will Loftus
Kathy Matyjevich by Bill, Edna Ann and Will Loftus
Mary Shaw McDonald by Anne and Dan Spouse and Dan McDonald
John and Alice Baxley by LeGette and Charlotte McLean
A. Maynard and Kate McLean by LeGette and Charlotte McLean
Martha Tornow by Jane, Mac and Elizabeth
Winston Tornow by Jane, Mac and Elizabeth
Katherine Fulton by Jane Tornow
Bill McInnis by Jane Tornow
Lois Muse by John and Delia Muse
Bill Muse by John and Delia Muse
Archie and Janice McRimmon by John and Delia Muse
Essie Carmichael by John and Delia Muse
Courtney Carmichael by John and Delia Muse
Christopher S. McLean by John and Delia Muse
Gerald Sellers by his family
George Thuman by his family
Sam Sellers by his family
Lois Bateman by the family
Bill Bateman by the family
John Hudson by Meredith Hudson
Courtney Carmichael by her sisters
Courtney Carmichael by Eddie and Chris Carmichael
Lois Muse by Eddie and Chris Carmichael
Jim Maddox by Linda Maddox
Tommy Britt by Jacque, Mary Taylor, Curt and Katherine
Jack and Catherine Regan by John and Lynn Massey
Bill and Christine Massey by John and Lynn Massey
Katherine Fulton by her family
Dr. and Mrs. S. H. Fulton by their family
Warren and Jeanine Fulton by their family
Jimmy Morgan by Jim and Annette Morgan

Gloria and Albert Leach by Annette and Jim Morgan
Joseph Nichols by Jim and Annette Morgan
Doug McMillan and Anne and Ken Malcolm by Kaye Malcolm
Ray and Virginia McCormick by Virginia A. McCormick
Bill McInnis by his family
Flossie Wells by Emma McInnis
Ann Marie Mason by Emma McInnis
Joseph Nichols by Emma McInnis
Stanley McDonald by Kelly S. McDonald
Jim Elliott by his family
Joseph McCallum Nichols by Dean and Candy Nichols
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. McCallum by Dean and Candy Nichols
Charles Dean Nichols, Sr. By Dean and Candy Nichols

The Easter Lilies are given in honor of:

Jose, Jamie and Sean by Andy and Emily Womble
Emma McInnis by Jane Tornow
Ann Hatcher by Jane Tornow
Julian and Clara Butler by Jane Tornow
Geoff and Molly Taylor by Jane Tornow
Hewitt Fulton by Jane Tornow
Marion McNair by Jane Tornow
Norma McKeithan by Jane Tornow
John and Henrietta Carmichael by Eddie and Chris Carmichael
John and Celeste McRae by Kaye McMillan
Hal and Frances Jernigan by Emma McInnis
Kelly McDonald by Emma McInnis
My children and grandchildren by Emma McInnis
Dr. Doug and Mrs. Pat Hix by Emma McInnis
Dr. Duane Hix by Emma McInnis
LPC Music Program by Emma McInnis
Our grandchildren, Hudson and Harper Nichols by Dean and
Candy Nichols
Virginia Johnson by Circle #1
Lucile Bridgeman by Circle #1
Anne Melton by Circle #1

Please remember these in your thoughts and prayers—

Larry Schulz and Bob Dye in hospital.

Continuing Concerns: Lucile Bridgeman, Louise Wester
Millie Peele, Flo Johnson, Sammy Simmons, Elizabeth McIntosh

In Scotia Skilled: Evelyn Crossley, Virginia Johnson
Mackey McCormick, Helen Middleton, Klare Van Dusen
Marjorie Coughenour

Scotia Special Care: Frances Haupt, Ann Hill, Margaret Caudill

Scotia Assisted: Ervin Hill, Adell Page, John and Helen Baker

At Scottish Pines: Katherine Edmund, Thelma Morgan

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HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE

THE SESSION: Moderator Dr. Duane Hix (cell: 919-819-7198)

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Anne Caudill	Kristen Anderson	Danny Caddell
Mike Coughenour	Scott Miller	John Clark
Debby Holcomb	Martha Olmstead	David Herr
Edna Ann Loftus	Robin Snead	Deborah Hobbs
Richard Massey	Janet Smith	Richard Mabry
Larry Schulz	Nick Sojka	Annette Morgan
Clint Willis	Susan Wentz	Kevin Patterson

THE DEACONS: Moderator: Bill Loftus

Class of 2017	Class of 2018	Class of 2019
Miriam Bounds	Barbara Bateman	Jacque Britt
Chris Carmichael	Beverly Bowling	Lynn Davis
Stuart Carmichael	David Carmichael	Kirsten Dean
Bill Loftus	Dan Sprouse	John Gullledge
Chris Rhue	Debra Sutherland	Susan Hartwell
Ellen Thompson	Bob Dyer	Bette Sellers

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN: Moderator: Virginia Ann McCormick

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