## WALLACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



205 West Main Street • Wallace, North Carolina 28466

#### THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Easter/The Day of Resurrection

March 31, 2024 11:00 A.M.

The congregation is asked to remain silent during the prelude as a time of prayer and meditation.

### **GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE**

Prelude

"Resurrection Morning"

arr. Joel Raney

Attie Carr Carlton Handbells

Welcome and Announcements

**Elder Sandy Cobb** 

(During this time the friendship pads are passed to be signed.)

Moment for Mission

**Transitional Ministry Team** 

Choral Call to Worship

"Jesus Is Risen"

setting by Joseph M. Martin

Jesus is risen! Sing alleluia! New life is given, hope is restored.

Let there be singing, worship bells ringing, all the world bringing praise to the Lord.

Spring is beginning, run to the garden. Life now is winning, death is no more.

All of creation bring celebration, shout to the nations, Jesus is Lord!

Heaven has spoken, shout from the mountains, chains are all broken, life is set free;

Sin is forgiven, love now our mission, Jesus is risen, risen indeed!

Jesus is risen indeed!

**Opening Sentences** 

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: Christ is risen, indeed!

*Leader:* This is the day that the Lord has made;

People: let us rejoice and be glad in it.

\*Hymn

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

See insert

\*Prayer of Confession

Risen Jesus, how we long to proclaim the good news—you are risen, the tomb is empty, and you are present with your friends. Forgive us when we continue to look for you in the places where we thought we lost you—our grief, our failure, the death all around us. For you are not there; you are risen! Help us proclaim your resurrection with joy. Flawed as we are, help us know how deeply we are loved by you, Lord Jesus, for your grace and mercy never fail. Amen.

\*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Who is in a position to condemn?

People: Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in

power for us and Christ prayers for us.

Leader: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. **People: The old life is gone; a new life has begun.**Leader: Beloved, believe the good news of the gospel.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

\*Gloria Patri Hymn #581

## **PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD**

Children's Sermon

\*Hymn #826

"Lift High the Cross"

**CRUCIFER** 

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Elder Sandy Cobb

Living God, with joy we celebrate that the stone is rolled away, the tomb is empty, and you have risen from the grave. Enliven our hearts by your Holy Spirit so that we may hear and proclaim the good news of eternal and abundant life. Amen.

**Old Testament Reading** 

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

#### Anthem

## "On the Third Day"

Benjamin Harlan

On the third day at the rising of the sun, there came those who loved Him, Seeking Him who died, Christ the crucified, on the third day.

On the third day they found the stone was rolled away,

And they entered the tomb to see Him,

Seeking Him who died, Christ the crucified, on the third day.

And the angel said unto them, an angel said unto them:

Do not be afraid. He is not here for He is risen!

Jesus Christ, the crucified. Jesus is alive!

Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne; Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.
Crown Him the Lord of love; behold His hands and side,
Those wounds, yet visible from above, in beauty glorified:
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou has died for me:
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Amen. Amen!

**Gospel Reading** 

Mark 16:1-8

Sermon "Spices, Casseroles, and Cliches"

Rev. Robert H. Lapp

A Time for Silent Reflection Pastoral Prayer with 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.

#### **GIVING THANKS TO GOD**

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings One Great Hour of Sharing Offering Fifth Sunday Building Offering

Offertory

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

setting by Joel Raney

\*Doxology Hymn #606

\*The Affirmation of Faith: (Book of Common Worship) This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved, if we hold it fast: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day, and that he appeared first to the women, then to Peter, and to the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; he is our Lord and our God. Amen.

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

EASTER HYMN

<sup>\*</sup>Prayer of Dedication

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn #232

<sup>\*</sup>Benediction

<sup>\*</sup>Postlude

<sup>\*</sup>All who are able may stand.

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, March 31 EASTER SUNDAY/DAY OF RESURRECTION

10:00 am Sunday School Classes

10:30 am Fellowship Time

11:00 am Worship/OGHS Offering/5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Building Offering

Monday, April 1 Church office closed in observance of Easter

Wednesday, April 3 10:00 am Bible Study, Room 304

Friday, April 5 10:00 am-1:00 pm Presbyterian Women "Paint & Play" Fellowship Hall

#### NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We are excited to welcome guest musicians in our sanctuary this morning. Andrew Stanfill, playing trombone, comes to us from Wilmington where he plays low brass with various ensembles and the Wilmington Symphony. Karen Berger, US Army Retired, is playing trumpet and Melanie Aman, US Army Retired, is playing percussion. Karen and Melanie come to us from the Pender County, Kirkwood area. While serving our country, they performed as professional concert musicians in the US Army Band. Thank you for joining us today!
- The church office will be closed Monday, April 1 in observance of Easter.
- Cheryl Brinkley, church secretary, will be on Vacation Tuesday, April 2.
- **Pastor Led Bible Study** is Wednesday, April 3, at 10 am in room 304. The scripture for this week is John 20:19-31.
- The Transitional Ministry Team will not meet this week on Wednesday evening, April 3, but will meet on Wednesday, April 10, at 7:00 pm in the Blue Room.
- We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper during worship next Sunday, April 7. All are welcome at the table.
- **Camp Kirkwood Creation Camp-** Coming soon! Creation Camp is coming soon, June 2– June 6. The registration window will be open March 17– April 28. Forms will be available in the Fellowship Hall and on line. Debbie Price will be glad to answer any questions you may have. She can be reached at 757-408-0964 or duprice525@gmail.com.
- SAVE THE DATE: Rise Against Hunger-May 18, 2024-1:00-3:00 pm. WPC Fellowship Hall. You can register on church website.



The Easter Lily in the sanctuary today is given by A.C. & LuAnn Rivenbark, and represents the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. "He is Risen, Hallelujah!

# NURSERY APRIL USEERS

03/31: Lindsay & Stanley Skidmore 04/07: Tanya & Michael Patram

Curt Simpson, Head Royal Johnson James Whitfield Stan Skidmore

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

03/31: Bailey Riley 04/07: Danielle Sills

#### OPENING CHURCH BUILDING

March 16-31: Greg Maready April 1-15: Stan Skidmore

## "Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven"

- 1. Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts to heaven and voices raise: Sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise; He who on the cross a victim for the world's salvation bled, Jesus Christ, the King of Glory, now is risen from the dead.
- 2. Alleluia, Christ is risen! Death at last has met defeat: See the ancient powers of evil in confusion and retreat; Once he died, and once was buried: now he lives forevermore, Jesus Christ the world's Redeemer, whom we worship and adore.
- 3. Christ is risen, we are risen! Set your hearts on things above:
  There in all the Father's glory lives and reigns our King of love;
  Hear the word of peace he brings us, see his wounded hands and side; Now let every wrong be ended, every sin be crucified.
- 4. Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to God on high!
  Alleluia to the Savior who has gained the victory!
  Alleluia to the Spirit, fount of love and sanctity!
  Alleluia, alleluia to the Triune Majesty!

