



The Weekly Bulletin
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Albemarle, North Carolina

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April 10, 2022
Palm Sunday

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign and pass the Register of Friendship during this time.

PRELUDE

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna
Youth Club Handbell Ensemble

Margaret R. Tucker

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

Holden Taylor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Kim Marshall, liturgist

Psalm 118

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

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

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

This is your day, holy God. Every day belongs to you. We would empty ourselves before you so there will be room for your entrance into our minds and hearts. Our times are in your hands. This precious gift of life is ours, in trust, from you. We give thanks, for your steadfast love endures forever. That love, expressed in the life of Jesus, dared to challenge those centers of power that lived by other standards. We come to declare that love today. Reign among us, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN 196

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Valet will ich dir geben

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of palm branches and hosannas, we confess we love a good Palm Sunday celebration. We love the sound of a joyful parade. We love shouting "hosanna!" We love that Palm Sunday means Easter is just around the corner. We love good news. But if we slow down and pay attention, we know that Palm Sunday was not a walk in the park for you. There was risk. There was fear. There was the threat of violence. You were leading a peaceful protest against an unjust empire, and the whole world knew it. Forgive us for glossing over the courage this day took. Remind us that the story of faith is a story of courage and even we can do hard things. With hope we pray.

Silent Confession and Reflection

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE TO ASSURANCE

hymnal 41, stanza 5

O Worship the King, All Glorious Above
(The response will be sung by choir and congregation.)
*Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.*

Lyons

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

Kristie Bryson

Children will be invited to come forward. At the conclusion of the Faith Sharing with Children, parents may take preschool children to the nursery.

ANTHEM

Hosanna to the King

Dan Forrest

Chancel Choir, Youth Club Trusty Travelers and Faith Explorers

Hosanna to the King! Hosanna!

Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Eternal God, whose word silences the shouts of the mighty: quiet within us every voice but your own. Speak to us through the suffering and death of Jesus Christ, that by the power of your Holy Spirit, we may receive grace to show Christ's love in lives given to your service. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

[Luke 19:28-40](#)
[Philippians 2:5-11](#)

Pew Bible, page 78

Pew Bible, page 186

SERMON

Love on Parade

Reverend Cathy S. George

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth, praying, *Come, Lord Jesus!* With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

*HYMN 209

My Song Is Love Unknown

Love Unknown

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Bill Jolly

From
*A Brief
Statement of
Faith,*
PC(USA)

RECEIVING OF THE OFFERING

Invitation

Offertory

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Georg Kaufann

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

hymnal 675

(The response will be sung by choir and congregation.)

Tallis' Canon

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

Holy God, we give you thanks for the great deeds of salvation that you have done and continue to do. Bless these offerings of thanksgiving, that they may further your kingdom in this world. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

You are holy...Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Gracious God...Now hear us as we are bold to pray together the prayer taught to us by our Lord, saying,

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.

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*HYMN 220

Go to Dark Gethsemane

Redhead 76

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*CHORAL RESPONSE

Hosanna

Christian Gregor

Hosanna! Blessed is He that comes,
He that comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

*POSTLUDE

Processional in G Major

John Stanley

*All that are able may stand.

IN MEMORIAM

Kenneth Roy Frazier

January 19, 1933 – April 1, 2022

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Thank you to the Chancel Choir, Youth Club Handbell Ensemble, Youth Club Trusty Travelers & Faith Explorers, Frank Poolos, Stan Scheer, Kristie Bryson, Bill Jolly, and Kim Marshall for their leadership in worship today.

The acolyte today is Holden Taylor.

Ushers for April: Wes Eudy, captain; Cidney Eudy, Julian Eudy, Melissa Eudy, Nathaniel Eudy, Ethan Richards, Seth Richards

Outside Ushers for April 10: Ronnie Michael; Jack Morton **Elder Greeters:** Ken Knight; Andy McLeod

Sound: Evan Sanges; Ken Knight **Film:** Katherine Jolly

Nursery: Kate White **Kids Care Crew:** Melissa Eudy; Cidney Eudy

The Lord's Table is open to all who trust in Jesus Christ and those who want to trust him more.

There is no Children's Church today. Children in grades K-3 are encouraged to remain in worship.

We will receive the One Great Hour of Sharing offering on Sunday, April 17. The One Great Hour of Sharing offering is the single largest way Presbyterians come together every year to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. This Lenten season, please give generously to One Great Hour of Sharing offering.

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: The family of Ken Frazier (husband of Laura Frazier), The family of Betty Hunsucker (mother of Gina Martin), Witt Snuggs, Doris Forte (Forrest Oakes Healthcare Center), Donna Lehr (sister of Connie Wallace; cancer diagnosis), Brayden Enzor (grandson of Gus & Pam Holbrook; 2 brain tumors, currently undergoing chemo and then radiation), Robin Howell, Helen Melton (niece of Elizabeth Wilson), Carole Yost (Trinity Place), Tim Rodgers (friend of Thomas Hahn), Bill Cotton (brother of Andy Cotton), Debbie Hinson (mother of Melissa Eudy), Don Abernathy, Jean Rabe, Anita Gower, Gloria Bryson, Nancy Jolly, Claude Harwood, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler. See newsletter for complete list.

Palm Sunday Fair

Sunday, April 10

9:30 a.m.

Church Parking Lot

(*Rain Plan: Church Gym)

Intergenerational Event for ALL!!!

Continental Breakfast

Conversation around the Table

Activities for Children of ALL Ages

**Spirituality Centers will be set-up around the church to reflect on Christ's final days.
Centers will remain in the church during Holy Week.**

**Join in the celebration of the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem and prepare
your hearts and minds for Holy Week.**



Easter Egg Hunt & Cookout

Sponsored by SNL

Sunday, April 10

City Lake Park

4:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

All children are invited to come celebrate Palm Sunday and Easter by hunting for Easter eggs, enjoying a delicious cookout, and playing outside together! Bring your Easter basket!



In lieu of Easter lilies, memorials and/or honorariums may be given to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in emergency response to the war in Ukraine. If you would like to contribute to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance in memory and/or in honor of a loved one, fill out the form below exactly as you wish the memorial or honorarium to read. Please place in the offering plate or leave in the church office no later than **Sunday, April 10**. Checks should be payable to "First Presbyterian Church" and designated "Presbyterian Disaster Assistance-

Ukraine." All memorials/honorariums received by April 10 will be listed in the bulletin on Easter Sunday, April 17.

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance-Ukraine

In honor of: _____

Given by: _____

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____

HOLY WEEK



Perk & Pray
Monday, April 11 – Friday, April 15
7:30 a.m.-8:30 a.m.

Drive through the parking lot on First Street for a cup of coffee or a juice box and a prayer.



Worship in the Sanctuary
April 14 at 6:00 p.m.

We will worship and share the Lord's Supper.

Good Friday Cross Walk
April 15 at 10:30 a.m.

For All Ages

Meet outside the sanctuary (North Street). We'll follow the cross through downtown Albemarle and pray for the people of our community.



Easter Eve Cookout & Camping
Saturday, April 16
at Morrow Mountain State Park

Hardy souls are invited to camp out the night before Easter at Morrow Mountain. For those feeling less hardy, there will be plenty of time for a cookout and fellowship before the sun goes down. Campers and non-campers can arrive at the group campsite (5 & 6) around 5:00 p.m. Feel free to bring dinner to cook on the coals, or if you wish, you can bring supper from home or take out from your favorite restaurant. S'mores will be provided! Please

bring your drinks and chairs along as well! Contact Ken Knight if you plan to join the gathering (kbknight17@gmail.com or 704-438-4686)!

Easter Sunday
April 17

7:00 a.m.

Easter Sunrise Service at Morrow Mountain State Park

Gather at the shelter at the top of Morrow Mountain to celebrate the risen Christ. Dress for the weather and linger for fellowship and a light breakfast following worship.

9:45 a.m.

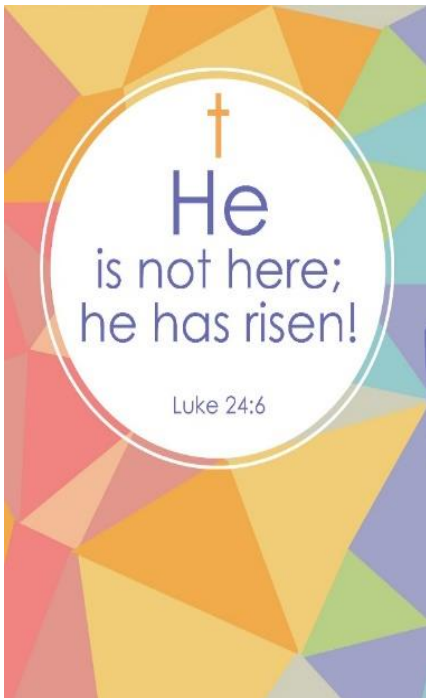
Sunday School

Sunday School for all ages.

11:00 a.m.

Easter Worship in the Sanctuary

Worship will include the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.





First Presbyterian Church, Albemarle
Amazingly Created Kid's Camp
Dates: Monday, June 20-Friday, June 24, 2022
9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Ages 4 years old – Rising 6th Graders
Please complete a form for each child.
Visit Link to Pre-Register:
<https://tinyurl.com/bdetda4t>



Central School Backpack Food Program Donations Needed
 Breakfast Bars, Peanut Butter Crackers, Individual Packs of Goldfish,
 Large Cans of Soup, Saltine Crackers
Donations may be dropped off in the Pit Stop at the church.
Backpacking Date: Wednesday, April 13 at 10:30 a.m.

SCCM Pantry Needs (updated 03/22/2022)



Food Items Needed:

Mixed Vegetables, sliced carrots, Black Eye Peas, Lima Beans,
 Great Northern Beans, Navy Beans, Whole or Sliced Potatoes, Diced Tomatoes,
 Hamburger Helper, Beef Stew, Pancake Mix, Syrup, Mayo, Mustard, Ketchup

Cleaning Supplies:

Dish Detergent, Laundry Detergent, Paper Towels, All-Purpose Spray Cleaner

Items Not Needed at this time:

Canned Whole Kernel Corn, Canned Cut Green Beans, Pinto Beans, Sweet Peas,
 Spaghetti Noodles & other pasta noodles, Tomato Soup, Chicken Noodle Soup, Canned Pasta, Mac & Cheese



For Sale in the Pit Stop Freezer (please leave money in the freezer):

\$5.00 pint Homemade Salsa
 \$8.00 quart Homemade Salsa
 \$5.00 Marinara

Your on-going support of First Presbyterian Church is essential to the mission and ministry of the church and to the well-being of our ministry partners, locally and globally. Thank you for your generosity.

Tithes and offerings may be mailed to:
First Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 1578
Albemarle, NC 28002

Online giving can be done through the church's website (www.fpcalbemarle.org). Click on the GIVE button.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 10

*Palm Sunday/The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper/Holy Week Begins/
Youth Club Trusty Travelers & Faith Explorers Sing in Worship/
Deadline for Presbyterian Disaster Memorial/Honorarium Forms
in lieu of Easter Lilies*

- 8:30 am Session Meeting
- 8:45 am Diaconate Meeting
- 9:30 am *Palm Sunday Fair (Church Parking Lot)
- 11:00 am *Worship
- 4:30 pm-6:30 pm Easter Egg Hunt & Cookout at City Lake Park

Monday, April 11

Monday of Holy Week

- 7:30 am-8:30 am Perk & Pray (1st Street Parking Lot)
- 10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
- 8:30 pm-9:30 pm High School Faith Conversations

Tuesday, April 12

Tuesday of Holy Week

- 7:30 am-8:30 am Perk & Pray (1st Street Parking Lot)

Wednesday, April 13

Wednesday of Holy Week/Last Day of Youth Club

- 6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast
- 7:30 am-8:30 am Perk & Pray (1st Street Parking Lot)
- 10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom
- 10:30 am Backpack Food Program
- 1:30 pm Circle #5
- 3:30 pm-5:30 pm Youth Club End-of-the-Year Picnic at the YMCA Park
- 4:00 pm-4:45 pm Confirmation Class
- 6:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 14

Maundy Thursday/The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

- 7:30 am-8:30 am Perk & Pray (1st Street Parking Lot)
- 4:00 pm-5:00 pm Zoom Bible Study with Catherine & Matt Moeller
- 6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Worship (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 15

Good Friday

- 7:30 am-8:30 am Perk & Pray (1st Street Parking Lot)
- 10:30 am Cross Walk

Saturday, April 16 *Great Vigil of Easter*

- 5:00 pm Easter Eve Cookout & Camping

Sunday, April 17

*Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day/The Sacrament of the Lord's
Supper/One Great Hour of Sharing Offering*

- 7:00 am Easter Sunrise Service at Morrow Mountain State Park
- 9:30 am Faith, Fellowship, & Food at Glorybeans Coffee House
- 9:45 am *Sunday School
- 11:00 am *Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL

- 10-Murphy Hall
Grayson Jones
Holden Taylor
- 11-Maddie Averette
- 12-Laura Blalock
Jake Davis
Holly Norwood
- 13-Matt Moeller
- 14-Anissa Chapman
- 17-David Kilde

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

APRIL

- 16-Kyle & Laura Beth Marks

Elders

- Al Andrew
- John Earnhardt
- Bill Jolly
- Mary Kesselman
- Mike King
- Ken Knight
- Kim Marshall
- Andy McLeod
- Catherine Moeller
- Sandy Rogers
- Ellen Snyder
- Chris Whitley
- Ellen Whitley

Deacons

- Emily Andrew
- Keith Bryson
- Shannon Bullard
- Michelle Cumming
- Wes Eudy
- Martha Sue Hall
- Lillie Hancock
- Jim Hesley
- Liz Jolly
- Myron Lowder
- Laura McLeod
- Lee Snuggs

***childcare provided**