



The Weekly Bulletin
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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March 28, 2021

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

PRELUDE *Oh, Sing to the Lord – Cantad al Señor* Susan E. Geschke
Handbell Ensemble

PEALING OF THE BELLS

LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE Elizabeth Bryson

OPENING SENTENCES

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
We bless you from the house of the Lord.

Psalm 118:26

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

CALL TO WORSHIP

Who is this unlikely king?

Hosanna! His name is Jesus!

Why does he ride into the city?

Hosanna! He comes to save us!

Let us wave our palms, throw down our cloaks,

And follow Christ toward the cross.

Mark 11:1

PRAYER OF THE DAY AND 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.

ANTHEM *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* Lloyd Larson
Youth Club, Chancel Choir, and Congregation

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All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One.

The company of angels are praising Thee on high;
And mortal men and all things created make reply.

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present.

To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Silence

Hosanna, we pray. Save us, Lord. Save us from ourselves, when we trip over pride, doubt, or fear. Save us from the systems that keep us bound, when we cannot see the way out. Save us from our sins, when we feel their weight pressing on our hearts. Save us, O Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

RESPONSE TO FORGIVENESS

hymn 643, stanza 3

Now Thank We All Our God Nun danket alle Gott

All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given;
The one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, as shall be evermore.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FAITH SHARING WITH CHILDREN

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Gracious God, guide us by your Word through these forty days, and minister to us with your Holy Spirit, so we may be reformed, restored, and renewed. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

[Mark 11:1-11](#)

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Hosanna!

Reverend Drumheller

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Steve Coats

PRESENTATION OF THE 2021 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Sacrament of Baptism

*Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Questions for the Confirmands

Presentation of Bibles

Anthem

Grow in Grace

Malcolm Archer

Grow in grace and in the knowledge of
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the Word,
that you shall grow thereby.

Grow in peace, and may the blessing of the Lord be upon you.

The Lord shall with his holy oil anoint you,
and you shall know his grace.

I will sprinkle clean water upon you, I will give you a new heart,
I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live by my statutes.

Amen.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation

Offertory

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Georg Kaufmann

Prayer of Dedication

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation

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

Words of Institution

Sharing the Meal

Anthem

Malcolm Archer

Lamb of God from 'The Sewanee Service'

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Have mercy upon us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;
Grant us your peace.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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Communion elements can be
delivered or picked up at the
church upon request. Please
email
mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org
by the Thursday before worship.

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HYMN 197

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

Ellacombe

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillard court and temple the joyful anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud;
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

Hosanna in the highest! That ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer; the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

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BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Hosanna

Christian Gregor

Hosanna, blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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PRELUDE

All Glory, Laud, and Honor

Dale Wood

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Thank you to Ken Knight and Andy McLeod for helping to create this morning’s video.

The acolyte today is Elizabeth Bryson.

We ask that you keep these people in your prayers: Claude Harwood, Hoy Lanning and family, Sandy Saunders, Jean Rabe, Jane Scheer, Don Joines, Jane Pickler. See newsletter for complete list.

In an effort to keep the newsletter prayer list updated, please notify the church office (704-982-2722 or pknighnten@fpcalbemarle.org) or Martha Sue Hall (704-985-5821 or hallmsh@hotmail.com) of changes.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2021 CONFIRMATION CLASS

- Elizabeth Bryson, daughter of Kristie & Keith Bryson
- Campbell Bullard, daughter of Shannon & Scott Bullard
- Desmond Bullard, son of Shannon & Scott Bullard
- Judson Bullard, son of Shannon & Scott Bullard
- Merrin Kinley, daughter of Leslie & Stephan Kinley
- Addison Marks, daughter of Laura Beth & Kyle Marks
- Jackson Palmer, son of Jessica & John Palmer
- Lily Snyder, daughter of Jane & Michael Snyder
- Natalie Taylor, daughter of Karlyn Cox & Derreck Huneycutt

Thanks to Rebekah Ayscue, Jane Boone, Melissa Eudy, Jim Hesley, Liz Jolly, Ken Knight, Laura McLeod, Catherine Moeller, and Matt Moeller for their leadership roles to the 2021 Confirmation Class.

Please stop by the church and sign a hymnal for Susan Pandich and for Mary Lane and Craig Minkler, & Emmett. Call the church office before you to come to make sure someone is in the building (704-982-2722).

Community Art during Lent

A public art installation on the North Street lawn at the bottom of the sanctuary steps is available for your Community Art contribution during Lent. You are invited to come by the church any time. Supplies and instructions are available at the location for you to use. Please take a picture of yourself adding to the project and send it to Matt. Come by on Easter Sunday to see the final result!

Daily Scripture Readings during Lent

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| March 28 | Mark 11:1-33 |
| March 29 | Mark 12:1-17 |
| March 30 | Mark 12:18-34 |
| March 31 | Mark 13:1-37 |
| April 1 | Mark 14:1-72 |
| April 2 | Mark 15:1-47 |
| April 3 | No Reading |
| April 4 | Mark 16:1-20 |



From the Scholarship Committee...

Scholarship applications are available Monday, March 1 on the church website (www.fpcalbemarle.org). **The deadline to return completed applications is Tuesday, April 6.** If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask a scholarship committee member. Committee members for 2021 are: Steve Coats, Chair, Ben Jolly, and Courtney Niederer.



**One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Sunday, March 28**

For over 70 years, One Great Hour of Sharing has provided Presbyterians a way to share God's love with our neighbors in need around the world. In a world of disaster, hunger, and oppression, millions of people lack access to sustainable food sources, clean water, sanitation, education, and opportunity.

Each gift to One Great Hour of Sharing helps improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable through three life-saving programs:

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, Self-Development of People

Please give generously. Mail your donation/check to:

First Presbyterian Church
P.O. Box 1578
Albemarle, NC 28002

FIRST FAMILY MEAL ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

FROM 5:00 P.M.- 6:00 P.M.

RSVP BY 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 29

First Family Meal Pick-up or Delivery is on Wednesday, March 31! Unfortunately, we are still unable to gather for First Family. If you would like a First Family meal, please RSVP by Monday, March 29 at 2:00 p.m., and we will have your meal ready for pick-up or delivery on Wednesday, March 31 between 5:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m. For your safety, kitchen staff will wear masks and gloves while preparing your plates.

Menu:

Lasagna, Caesar Salad, and Garlic Bread.

Dessert Choices: Pound Cake, Brownies or Sweet Potato Cake.

Suggested Donation: \$5 per person....Maximum of \$15 per family.

Please come with correct change or a check written to First Presbyterian Church.

All we need you to do is:

call Anne Montgomery at 704-982-7823 or email Anne at johnandannemontgomery@yahoo.com

and let her know how many plates and desserts you need,

and

if it will be a pickup or delivery (include address and any special instructions).

All staff members are working at home whenever possible to limit the risk of COVID exposure. While there is often someone present at the church, the building will be open sporadically. If you need to come by the church, please call first to make sure the building is open. The church's answering machine is being checked periodically; however, in case of an emergency, please contact Matt (540.449.5319) directly.

SCCM FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Please purchase the *smaller* options of mayo, ketchup, flour, sugar, cooking oil, etc. This is helpful when we build boxes for our clients because our boxes are based on weight.

Please take donations to SCCM:
506 South First Street, Albemarle
Monday-Thursday; 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

- Cereal (Plain & Pre-Sweetened)**
- Canned Meat (Not Tuna)**
- Mayo**
- Mustard**
- Ketchup**
- Canned Fruit (Peaches, Pears, Fruit Cocktail)**
- Toilet Tissue**
- Bar soaps**
- Toothbrushes (individually packed)**
- Cooking Oil**
- Navy Beans**
- Black Eyed Peas**
- Lima Beans**

- Applesauce**
- Flour (Plain & Self-Rising)**
- Sugar**
- Sweetened Condensed Milk**
- Evaporated Milk**
- Salad Dressing**
- Cake Mix**
- Jelly**
- Pancake Syrup**
- Pancake Mix**
- Instant Jello & Pudding**
- Salt & Pepper**



Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, March 28

For this year's Easter Egg Hunt, we have two options for families. The first option is for you to pick up Easter eggs from the church on Palm Sunday (March 28th) after worship to hide at your home. The second option is to have the youth hide Easter eggs at your house (also on Palm Sunday). If you would like to do either of these options, please fill out the google form using the link below. If you have any questions, contact Dorothy at dhart@fpcalbemarle.org or 828-244-3824.

<https://tinyurl.com/mbte898w>

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.**



LENTEN TIME OF REFLECTION

We are creating a space in the parlor during Holy Week for you to spend some time in peaceful meditation. You will feel as if you are outside walking on a path. We will have a labyrinth (the path) to give you an opportunity to deepen your awareness of God's presence and guidance. Please sign-up if you would like to get out of your house to enjoy some peace and quiet in reflection. Call or email Matt Drumheller (mdrumheller@fpcalbemarle.org or 540-449-5319) to sign up for 15 minute slots:

Sunday, March 28 from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.

Monday and Wednesday, March 29 & 31 from 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, March 30 & April 1 from Noon-7pm.

Perk and Pray

Monday, March 29 – Friday, April 2 from 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

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

Maundy Thursday Zoom Worship on Thursday, April 1 at 6:00 p.m.

We'll read the story of Christ's last meal with his disciples and celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in this Zoom worship service.

Good Friday Cross Drive on Friday, April 2 from 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

From 10:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. on Good Friday, you can come by the church and pick-up a map to guide you to several spots around Albemarle.

At these spots, you will be encouraged to pray for our local community using provided prayers, as well as your own.

Good Friday Online Worship at 8:00 p.m.

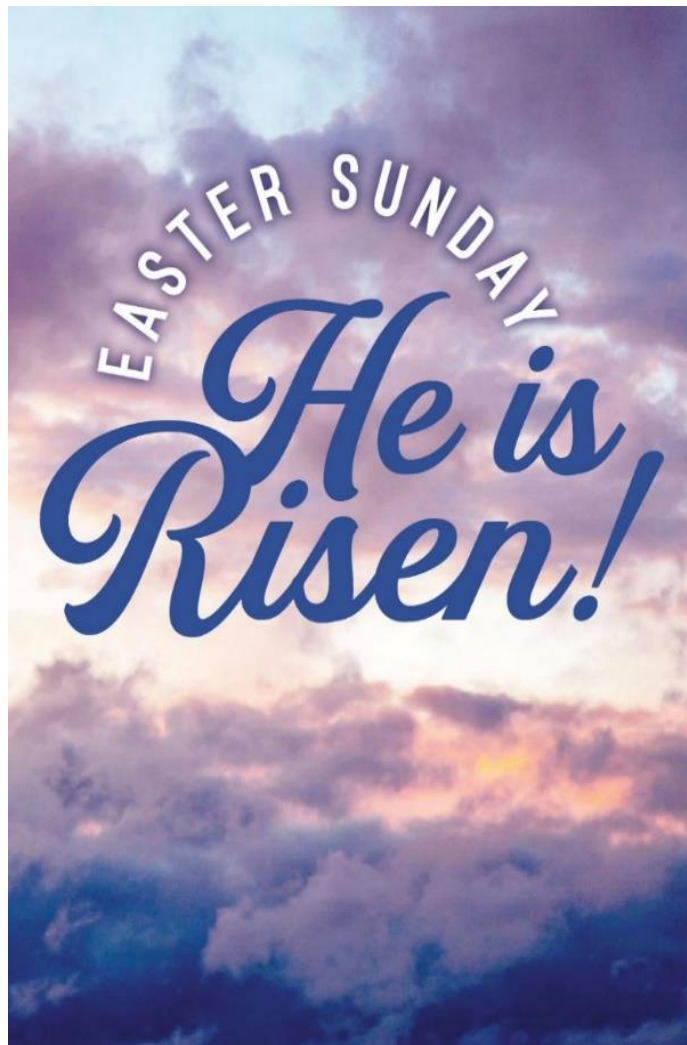
Friday, April 2

Join us online for a contemplative worship service as we mark the final moments of Jesus' life.



Easter Camping on Saturday, April 3

We are planning to have our annual pre-Easter campout. Overnight campers and afternoon/evening guests are welcome to gather at group campsite 4 & 5 for fellowship and fun! Bring and/or cook your own dinner on Saturday afternoon, April 3. Contact Ken Knight (704-438-4686 or kbknight17@gmail.com) for more information. We'll have a great evening of fellowship and trek to the sunrise service together.



**April 4
7:00 a.m.**

Gather at the top of Morrow Mountain to celebrate the risen Christ.
Breakfast will not be provided. BYOC (Bring your own coffee.)

11:00 a.m.

We will celebrate Easter online
with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper and joyful music.

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday, March 28 *Palm Sunday/The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper/
Confirmation Sunday/One Great Hour of Sharing/*

Holy Week begins/Easter Egg Hunt (Reservations Only)

9:45 am-10:30 am Adult Sunday School via Zoom

10:15 am Children & Youth Sunday School via Zoom

11:00 am Online Worship

2:00 pm-4:00 pm Lenten Time of Reflection

(located in the parlor – Reservations Required)

Monday, March 29 *Holy Week*

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

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10:00 am-5:00 pm Lenten Time of Reflection

(located in the parlor – Reservations Required)

2:00 pm Deadline for First Family Dinner Reservations

7:00 pm March Book Conversation with Courtney Niederer via Zoom

8:00 pm Monday Night Bible Study with Matt

8:30 pm High School Bible Study with Debby Johnston & Jack Morton

Tuesday, March 30 *Holy Week*

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

12:00 pm-7:00 pm Lenten Time of Reflection (located in the parlor – Reservations Required)

Wednesday, March 31 *Holy Week*

6:45 am Men's Prayer Breakfast Zoom Meeting

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

10:00 am Morning Prayer via Zoom

10:00 am-5:00 pm Lenten Time of Reflection (located in the parlor – Reservations Required)

11:00 am Staff Meeting

3:30 pm-4:00 pm Youth Club Trusty Travelers (K-3rd graders) via Zoom

4:00 pm-4:30 pm Youth Club Faith Explorers (4th & 5th graders) via Zoom

5:00 pm-6:00 pm First Family Dinner Pick-up/Delivery

Thursday, April 1 *Maundy Thursday*

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

12:00 pm-7:00 pm Lenten Time of Reflection (located in the parlor – Reservations Required)

6:00 pm Maundy Thursday Zoom Worship

Friday, April 2 *Good Friday*

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

10:30 am-11:30 am Good Friday Cross Drive

8:00 pm Good Friday Online Worship

Saturday, April 3 *Easter Camping*

Sunday, April 4 *Easter/The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper/Ten-Cents-A-Meal Offering for Hunger*

7:00 am Easter Sunrise Worship at Morrow Mountain State Park

11:00 am Online Worship

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

MARCH

29-Claude Harwood

30-Ellie Niederer

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL

01-Leslie Kinley

Kent Newport

04-Wes Eudy

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

APRIL

02-Michael & Kristen Laton

Lynn & Martha White