

Welcome to Celebration Presbyterian Church
Welcome, friends, from far and near. Let us worship God who is surely here. Let us pray, sing, share the Word and give; then let us joyfully go into God's world to live. *Please indicate your desires for visitation, or information about joining Celebration Church on the Ritual of Friendship Pad. *Prayer cards are provided for sharing your joys and concerns. Please write your prayer requests on a card and the ushers will collect them.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

***Jesus Christ has been raised from the grave.
By his death and resurrection,
Jesus has overcome death for us all.
Jesus Christ is risen today! Shout Halleluiah!***

Celebrating our 17th year of faithful living and giving!

Sunday, April 21, 2019	EASTER	Resurrection of the Lord
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THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Sarah Abushakra

Celebrative Chiming for Easter / Lighting the Christ Candle

Christ the Lord is risen today!
Hallelujah! He is risen, indeed!

Processional Hymn No. 232** ***Jesus Christ is Risen Today EASTER HYMN

Greeting
The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, and Announcements
Reception of New Members and Opening Prayer
2019 Confirmands: Katelyn Burrows, Ariana Santiago, Josh Santiago, Rainee Taylor, Fallon Tomlin, Gary Tomlin and Jason Tomlin

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**
The Peace of Christ be with You. **And also with you!**
(Please exchange signs of Christ's peace with your brothers and sisters in Christ near you.)

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

***Responsive Call to Worship** Liturgist: Carla Baker
It is a long time since last Sunday, when we waved palms and shouted "Hosanna!"
The last supper we had with Jesus was memorable, yet sad.
His trials and crucifixion were hard to bear, as he gave himself up.
What can we expect after all this drama, death and sorrow?
Remember what Jesus told us, that on the third day he would rise again?
This is the third day — Christ is risen! He is ALIVE! Alleluia!

Hymn No. 240** ***Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks ALLELUIA NO. 1

Easter Litany Liturgist: Carla Baker
Christ is Risen! **The Lord is Risen, indeed!**
We see the rising sun and sense new life.
The darkness fades, and we find a new day.
This day the Lord comes to us in new ways.
The risen Christ brings us a new life.
We celebrate that day in ages past when Jesus arose.
We celebrate today when he lives anew in us.
Our mouths are filled with the song of joy.
Our hearts are filled with God's new presence.
We are a people blessed with Good News.
We will spread it to our community and world.
The power of the risen Christ is within and among us.
May the whole world be filled with Christ's presence.

Affirmation of Faith ***Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26***
Life in Christ is life eternal. The resurrection of Jesus is the sign that God will consummate the work of creation and reconciliation beyond death and bring to fulfillment the new life begun in Christ.

Hymn No. 581** ***Gloria Patri GLORIA PATRI

(Following the Gloria Patri, the children are invited to join the Pastor on the steps)

Time With Young Disciples
The children are invited to come to the steps for the Time With Young Disciples
Children's Church follows in Room 5

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Please pass your prayer cards to an usher.

Prayer of Intercession 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. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings as Faithful Stewards
Jesus says: Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

Offertory ***Alleluia! Christ is Risen!*** arr. by James Kirby
Celebration Choir

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.

Christ is risen, we are risen! Shed upon us heavenly grace, rain and dew and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face; that we, with our hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be, and by angel hands be gathered, and be ever, Lord, with thee.

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.

Doxology No. 609** ***Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow
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***Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**
We will give thanks to you forever, Holy God, for life, for breath, for health, for love, for mercy, for grace, for each other, and for Jesus Christ our Risen Lord. Let your praise continually fill our mouths and our minds so that we might lead lives of gratitude and love and live wholeheartedly as Easter People. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

TO WORSHIP THROUGH WORD, SHARED WITNESS

Scripture **John 20:1-18** NRSV
The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon ***Easter Assures Us the Best is Yet to Come!*** Tom Dendy

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

***Charge and Benediction**

Hymn No. 248** ***Christ Is Risen, Shout Hosanna! HYMN TO JOY

***Postlude** Sarah Abushakra
(*If able, please stand at these points in the service.)

“For I know that my Redeemer lives, and that at the last he will stand upon the earth...” -- Job 19:25 NRSV

“How wondrously beautiful it is, that in each opening spring, when all things are waking into new life, we take into our hearts afresh the blessed fact of our Lord's resurrection! Death is stripped of its terrors; the grave is illuminated with light. Because He lives we shall live also.” -- Mrs. Charles Cowman

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Apr 21	EASTER	
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church, He~Brews Café	11:00 AM
Mon Apr 22	Church Office and Preschool closed	
Tue Apr 23	QUILTERS meet at the church	10:00 am
Wed Apr 24	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Sun Apr 28	Adult Bible Study	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:00 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:15 am
	Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	STATED SESSION MEETING	12:15 pm
Bake sale in hallway for Relay for Life before/after church		

Serving April 28

Visitor Table: Margaret Reeder **Nursery:** Vicki Jacobs

Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini

Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller **Preacher:** Tom Dendy

Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar **Sound Board:** Carol Butler

Liturgist: Rick Thornburgh

Elder of the Week: Cecilia Evans – 843-236-1153

Ushers: Jerry and Jenny Taylor, Kerry and Nanette Kelly

Chimes: Kathy O'Halloran and Janet Rouseff

***To Celebrate God's Glory by Reaching, Teaching,
and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.***

***We are Christ followers who are open,
accepting, loving and welcoming to all!***

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

**Apr 23-May 3 – Collection of travel-size Toiletry items for
Community Kitchen of Myrtle Beach**

Thu May 2 – LadyBug Luncheon, Travinia, 12pm
Sat May 4 – Relay for Life at Market Common, 11am

Thu May 9 – Team B cooks at The Shepherd’s Table, 1pm
Sat May 11 – Blessing of the Bikes, 10am-12:30pm (rain date May 18)

Sun May 12 – MOTHER’S DAY

Thu May 16 – Team E cooks at The Shepherd’s Table, 1pm
Fri May 17 – Breakfast Buddies, 9am
Sun May 19 – Stated Session Meeting
Wed Jun 12 – American Red Cross Blood Drive, 12pm-5pm April 13
was the last day to give blood if you want to donate at our drive.

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*Celebrating our 17th year of
Faithful Mission and Ministry!*



OUR MISSION *is to Proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior, Praise and Worship God, Prepare our hearts to share God's Word, and Provide Love and Service to ALL!*