



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

Risen Savior, we gather in your name with songs of thanksgiving. While all once seemed lost, we now know that what you told us is the truth. The words you said about dying in order to rise again have come true. As we gather to hear the story that is central to our faith, we pray that you would come amongst us in such a way so that when we leave this place, you and this story might also be central to our lives. Amen.

Sunday, April 23, 2017 *Celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus* 2nd Sunday in Eastertide

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude
Chiming the Hour

*Hymn No. 234 *Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain* ST. KEVIN

Greeting The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**
Welcome, Ritual of Friendship, Prayer Cards, Announcements Tom Dendy
Minute for Mission *5th Sunday Offering for Property Upkeep and Improvement* Rick Thornburgh
Opening Prayer Tom Dendy

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

TO WORSHIP THE LORD OUR GOD

*Responsive Call to Worship (Based on 1 John 1:5-7) Liturgist: Peg Speidel
This is the good news which we proclaim to you. **Jesus Christ is raised from the dead!**
Walk in the light of his love. **Live in the light of his teachings and healing mercies.**
Come, let us worship the One Who overcame death. **Let us celebrate the triumph of our Lord.**
Now raise your voices in songs of praise. **We will sing with joy to our Living Lord. Amen.**

*Hymn No. 235 *O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing* GELOBT SEI GOTT

Affirmation of Faith for Uncertain Times Liturgist: Peg Speidel
Let us say what we believe. **My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this**

you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore, I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone. (From – Thomas Merton, *Thoughts in Solitude*, 1956.)

*Gloria Patri Hymn No. 581 *(The children are invited to join the Pastor on the steps)*

Time With Young Disciples *Children's Church follows in Room 5* Kelly Boone Sloan

TO WORSHIP THROUGH PRAYER AND SHARED STEWARDSHIP

Minutes for Mission *Celebrate OUR Camp Pee Dee* Kelly Boone Sloan

Prayers of the People – Sharing Our Joys and Concerns
Prayer of Intercession and The Lord's Prayer (*"debts and debtors"*)

Giving of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Offertory *Beautiful Savior* Robert Lee
Celebration Choir

*Doxology Hymn No. 606 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* OLD HUNDREDTH

*Unison Prayer of Dedication **O Giver of all good gifts, you have demonstrated your love for us in the death of your Son, Jesus our Lord, who gave of himself so that we might have true life. As we have received abundantly, we now give to you out of our abundance for the praise and worship of your name. May we be good stewards of these gifts of your people so that your mission in the world may be strengthened and that all may join us in unceasing praise of your majesty. In Jesus' name. Amen.**

*Hymn No. 243 (4X's) *Be Not Afraid* BE NOT AFRAID

TO WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD AND SHARED WITNESS

Scripture *John 20:19-31, I Peter 1:3-9* NRSV

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Sermon *Blind Faith – Life in Jesus* Tom Dendy

AND RESPOND IN FAITHFUL SERVICE IN THE WORLD

*Charge and Benediction Tom Dendy

*Closing Hymn No. 239 *Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!* GELOBT SEI GOTT

*Postlude

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

Although you have not seen him you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. -- I Peter 1:8-9

CELEBRATION HAPPENINGS		
Sun Apr 23	Adult Sunday School	9:15 am
	Choir Rehearsal	10:15 am
	Coffee and Fellowship / Belk Charity Days Tickets on Sale	10:30 am
Mon Apr 24	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
	"Tool Time" Study of World Religions	10:30 am
	Team D cooks at The Shepherd's Table	2:00 pm
Tue Apr 25	Quilters	10:00 am
Wed Apr 26	Choir Rehearsal	7:00 pm
Sat Apr 29	Strategic Planning Small Group Meeting	10:30 am-12:30 pm
Sun Apr 30		
	NO ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL	
	Choir Rehearsal	10:15 am
	Coffee and Fellowship	10:30 am
	Worship, Nursery, Children's Church	11:00 am
<i>5th Sunday Special Offering for Property Upkeep and Improvement</i>		

Serving April 23

Visitor Table: Priscilla Mulligan **Nursery:** Vicki Jacobs

Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini

Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller

Media Shout: Bernadine Lamar

Sound Board: Nicklaus McIlrath

Liturgist: Peg Speidel

Elder of the Week: Nanette Kelly—843-347-1022

Ushers: Jesse Wallace, Donna Woodard, Corey Jacobs, Margaret Reeder

Serving April 30

Visitor Table: Jade Bender

Nursery: Leslie Eckert

Children's Church PreK-Kindergarten: Tonja Paolini

Grades 1-5: Trudy Miller

Media Shout: Katrena White

Sound Board: Carol Butler

Liturgist: Priscilla Mulligan

Elder of the Week: Bernadine Lamar—873-234-1935

Ushers: Jesse Wallace, Donna Woodard, Corey Jacobs, Margaret Reeder

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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!

OUR PURPOSE is to Celebrate God's Glory by
Reaching, Teaching, and Sending People to Love and Serve the Lord.

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April 23, 2017 – 11:00 a.m. Worship

Celebrating 15 Years of Faithful Mission and Ministry!



EASTERTIDE

JOIN US AT CELEBRATION

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