

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Introduction to the Scripture Reading
Rev. Jeremy Troxler

^Scripture Reading
John 1:35-49 (RSV)

Sermon
*The Power of a Life-Changing Invitation:
Come and See*
Rev. Jeremy Troxler

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

^Sending Hymn
Pass It on, UMH #572

^Next Steps & Benediction

Postlude

*The altar flowers are given by Bill and Daryl Watkins in memory of Linda V. Watkins (4/19/1942 - 2/10/1998).

FOR NEW FOLKS:

WELCOME TO GUILFORD COLLEGE UMC!

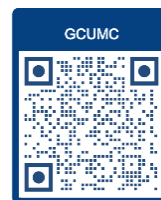
We are so glad that you chose to worship with us this morning. GCUMC is a place for all who long to grow closer to God and others. You are loved and accepted here. **Please take a moment to fill out our attendance pad with your name and contact information and leave it in the pew.**

WE LOVE CHILDREN

If you brought the kids with you, please know that the noises children make are music in our, and God's, ears. You are welcome to keep your children with you in worship. We also have child care available for infants through age 4 in Room C8 on the first floor of the children's building during the 11:00am worship service, and a separate children's worship experience at 11am that begins after the children's message for children in grades K-6.

PLEASE VISIT US ONLINE

To learn more about us, please visit us either at our website, guilfordcollegeumc.org, through our YouTube Channel, or on our Facebook Page (just search "Guilford College UMC" for each). You may also use your phone's camera or QR app to scan the QR code to the right:



CONNECT & GROW

THE WEDNESDAY WELCOME TABLE

Join us for the **Wednesday Welcome Table**, a meal for the **low price of \$7**, and a ministry not only for members of our church but also for folks from our community – anyone who is hungry for good food and holy friendship. Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45 – 6:40pm. Come eat together and welcome one another in Jesus' name.

April 22: Menu – Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes, Broccoli, Rolls, Salad Bar (w/ sliced chicken), Dessert
Kids Meal Option: Pizza

PRAISE AND WORSHIP LINE DANCING AT GCUMC

Let them praise his name with dancing, Psalm 149:3

If line dancing is something that you've been wanting to try, now is the time! It's a great way to get exercise, push away the blues, and meet some new friends. It's good **for all ages** and you don't need a partner. We will start off with a 15-20 minute devotion and then learn some fun and easy line dances that will be done to Christian music, like Mercy Me and Zach Williams. We will be meeting in C-1 on the first floor of the Children's Building on **April 19, May 3, and May 17 from 3:30-5**. Contact Sara Hardin at hardinx4@bellsouth.net with any questions or for more information. Hope to see you on the dance floor!

DISCIPLE SCHOOL MEETS NEXT ON April 22

All are welcome to join us this Wednesday in the James Tew classroom (room A3) beginning at 6:45pm for an hour in which we focus on how we can become better followers of Jesus together. The next session of Disciple School is planned for 5/06.

FAMILY CAMP

Come join us for a meaningful, low-stress weekend to connect as families and grow in faith together! Family Camp at Camp Guilrock (May 1–2) will be filled with campfires, canoeing, crafts, worship, and time to simply rest and play. Tent and cabin options are available, and all ages are welcome. We'd love for you to come with us! Visit <https://campguilrock.org/retreats/family-camp> for more information. Contact Laurin Allred with questions or to register, lallred@guilfordcollegeumc.org.

COLLEGE GRADUATES

If your family has a Dec. 2025 or Spring 2026 college graduate, we would like to celebrate with you. Please send Randy Wall their name, school, major, and a photo of the graduate to rwall@guilfordcollegeumc.org by Monday, April 27. They will be recognized in worship on Sunday, May 3.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVES

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 12, 2026! Max Carter, a local historian, author, and expert on everything Quaker will be sharing an engaging and meaningful presentation in our Fellowship Hall. The presentation will include a discussion about the Underground Railroad and the Witness Tree located on the campus of Guilford College, the Battle of New Garden/Guilford Courthouse and its effect on the surrounding community that we now call home, as well as other topics of interest. Everyone is invited to attend. Feel free to bring a guest. Come and enjoy a time of learning, reflection, and fellowship together. The event will begin at 10:00 a.m. and conclude around 11:30 a.m. We look forward to seeing many of you there!

GIVE

MAKE AN OFFERING TO THE WORK OF GOD'S CHURCH

- 1 - Text GiveGCUMC to 73256. Then click on the link provided to give.
- 2 – Visit our website www.guilfordcollegeumc.org to use your credit card or to set up an automatic draft. Immediate receipts are available. You can even use the GCUMC QR code in this bulletin.
- 3 – Log into your REALM account to give through your profile's giving page.
- 4 - Checks can be made out to "Guilford College UMC" and placed in the offering plate and cash is always a good form of giving.

DAYS OF SERVICE

The serving team is offering a variety of projects that you can help with between now and April 27 as we grow in loving God and serving our neighbor. The Creation Care team is offering two opportunities, there are four opportunities to help at Greensboro Urban Ministry or you might like to help clean the vans at Sanctuary House. At our church you can choose from assembling hygiene and cleaning kits, helping to spruce up the playground, or assisting with the organization of the Families in Transition room. At Camp Guilrock you can split wood, paint fence gates or plant a garden. Signups are outside of Pastor Susan's office today or you can sign up online through the Events tab on our church website. Questions? sandrawpearman@gmail.com or ssuarezwebster@guilfordcollegeumc.org

PRAY AND WORSHIP

AMONG THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR TODAY:

Within Our Church Family: **Those who are Grieving:** The Family and Friends of Harold Eagle; LouAnne Hicks on the passing of her uncle, Mike Dominy; The Family and Friends of Diana Clark; all those who have lost a loved one; **Healing:** Tom Patterson; Marjorie Liles; Carolyn McDuffie; Brooke Follo; Dorothy Zur; Allen Cheek; Barbara McLeod; Ellen Lancaster; Janet Shepherd; Lynette Whittaker; **Surgery and Awaiting Tests:** Maria Maynard; **Strength & Faith:** Ben Brothers; Helen Phillips; **Those With Cancer:** Mike Ballard surgery 4/22; Tom Jenkins; Greg Matthews; Lisa Hodges; **Sustaining and Guidance:** Doris Linker; Patsy Wyatt; Nancy and Jim Baity; Katherine and Charles Forbes; Bill Blyshak; Tina Bell Midgett; Terri Hastings; Y'Josue and Carolina M'lo and newborn, Joshua

Extended Church Family: Grieving: The Family and Friends of Leonard Shelton; All those who have lost a loved one; **Cancer:** Sean Sullivan; Wyatt Daufeldt; Ike Santiago; Rachel Gault; Darla Freeman; David Castro; Sarah Lemon; Fay Holliday; Janelle Reichl; Sutton Phillips; Linda Payne; Carla Morgan; Tim Vail; Sharon Guarino; Tammy Smith; Emily; Harrison Henry Brooks; Billy Carey; Jim Cashman; Ron Moser; Debra Rutt; Shilah George; Shannon Wilson; Sammy Williams; Azalea Marbury; Judy Journey; Tammy Strickland; **Surgery and Awaiting Test Results:** B.J. Sullivan; Landon Cottrell (tumor); Maureen Parker (4/20); **Healing:** Eric Elliott; Stan Dixon; Nannette Price; Ronnie and Mildred Caldwell; John Stauffer; Heather Taylor; Peggy Conaway; **Strength and Guidance:** Jim Eldrett; Kim Lambeth; Christy Lloyd; Kathy McFillin; Kathy Williams; Kenneth Briggs (hospice); Christopher Blyshak; Y'Suan Mlo and H'Lai, H'Jina, H'Sally, Bunlim and Darwin Leng; **Missionaries:** Liz and David Gamble; **World:** our ministry partners in Kenya; all who suffer from war, famine, drought and natural disasters;

SERVICE NOTES

Today is the 3rd Sunday of the season of Easter. Within the Church, the meaning of the resurrection of Jesus Christ is far too big to be celebrated on one day only – so Easter is not just a Sunday, but a season of 50 days in which we remember the ways that the risen Jesus

appears to his disciples, and to us. In a way, every Sunday, all throughout the year, is a little Easter in which we celebrate Christ's victory over death. Today in worship, as we continue our Easter celebration, we continue in a sermon series in which we are talking about "The Power of a Life-Changing Invitation." Last week we talked about the life-changing Great Invitation which Jesus offers to all: "Come Unto Me." Today we talk about the life-changing invitation which we, ourselves, can offer to others: "Come and See."

Today's Scriptures:

John 1: 35-49 (RSV)

KEY VERSES:

"The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples; and he looked at Jesus as he walked, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. Jesus turned, and saw them following, and said to them, "What do you seek?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying; and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. One of the two who heard John speak, and followed him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon, and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which means Christ). He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him, and said, "So you are Simon the son of John? You shall be called Cephas" (which means Peter). The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Beth-sa'ida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathan'a-el, and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathan'a-el said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

NOTES:



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, April 19

Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30am
Various Learning Groups at 9:45am
Breakfast Bunch at the Highwoods Panera at 9:45am
Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Broadcast at 11:00am
Spring Fling Luncheon in the Fellowship Hall at 12:10pm
Soccer on the Back Field at 2:30pm
Christian Line Dancing in Room C1 at 3:30pm
Endowment Committee in Room A6 at 4:00pm

Monday, April 20

Scouts in the Children's Building in the evening
NA in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00pm

Tuesday, April 21

Women's Bible Study: Revelation via Zoom at 6:00pm
Girl Scout Troop 30018 in Room C10 at 6:00pm
Finance Committee in Room A4 at 6:30pm
Handbells Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room at 6:30pm

Wednesday, April 22

Women's Bible Study: Revelation in Room A4 and via Zoom at 9:30am
New Direction Nar-Anon Family Group in Room A2 at Noon
Mid-week Prayer Time in the Parlor at Noon
Wednesday Welcome Table in the Fellowship Hall from 5:45 – 6:40pm
Kids' Music Club in the Choir Room from 6:10 – 6:40pm
ESOL in Room B6 from 6:30 – 7:45pm
Faith Files/Faith Friends Rooms C13, C14 & C15 from 6:45 - 7:45pm
SnYP in Hilltop Room from 6:45 – 7:45pm
Youth Fun Night meet on the back field from 6:45-7:45pm
Disciple School in the James Tew class (A3) from 6:45 – 7:45pm
Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room at 7:00pm

Thursday, April 23

Thriving at Three in Room C14 at 10:00am
Girl Scouts in the Children's Building in the evening
Western NC Mission Team Departs
Stewardship Committee in Room A4 at 6:30pm
NarAnon in Room A2 at 7:00pm

Saturday, April 25

Church-wide Serving Day, Various Projects
Youth Group Members to Unified – Youth Event

Sunday, April 26

Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30am
Various Learning Groups at 9:45am
Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Broadcast at 11:00am
Brazos Abiertos: Pan in the Fellowship Hall at 5:00pm
UMYF (Grades 7-12) in Rooms C10 & C11 from 5:00 -7:00pm

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Guilford College
United Methodist Church
April 19, 2026 – 8:30 & 11:00am

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude

Ginny Williamson

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome, Praises & Opening Prayer

Rev. Susan Suárez Webster

^Fellowship Greeting

Melanie Crump

WE PRAISE GOD AND SING

^Opening Hymn

Christ is Alive, UMH #318

Reception of New Members

^Hymn

The Summons, TFWS #2130

Children's Moment (11:00am only)

Donna Ford

*At the 11am worship celebration, Children in Grades K-6 may exit for Children's Worship on the 2nd floor of the Children's building. They can be picked up from the church Parlor after 11am worship.

Offering

Laurin Allred

Choral Offertory

Let His Love Be Found in You

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Rev. Susan Suárez Webster

^ = Please stand as you are able.

Our worship services may be recorded and/or live streamed to YouTube, Facebook, and the church's website. Should you need a hearing device, please ask an usher for assistance.