



RESURRECTION SUNDAY

April 5, 2026 at Eleven O'Clock A.M.

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The worship of God begins with the music of the organ. Use this time for meditation and reflection and please refrain from conversation which would disturb others. Please turn off or silence all electronic devices.

GATHERING

HANDBELL PRELUDE: And Can It Be arr. Paul A. McKlveen

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood! Died he for me who caused his pain?! For me? Who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine; alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach the eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own.
Charles Wesley

EASTER PROCLAMATION Dr. Grammer

Leader: Christ is risen!
People: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

WORDS OF WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH Dr. Grammer

HANDBELL INTROIT: Easter Bells

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 216: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" EASTER HYMN

* CALL TO WORSHIP Justin Sykes

Leader: Rejoice! There is great news! Christ is risen!
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Let all the earth proclaim the joy!
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Death never gets the final word.
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.
Leader: Rejoice in this day of salvation.
People: God's steadfast love endures forever.

Inspired by Matthew 28 & Psalm 118

* GLORIA PATRI GREATOREX

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

* INVOCATION AND LORD'S PRAYER Dr. Grammer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

** Please stand as you are able.*

We have to admit it, Lord, that we had our doubts. We have heard the Resurrection story and for so many years it has remained just a nice story. But this time it is different. This time we have walked the path with Christ. We have journeyed through the wilderness and valleys, to the mountaintops to the courtyard, the garden and the cross. Now you bring us to the empty tomb and to the joyous news of the truth of Christ.

Forgive us when we so easily doubt the truth of his resurrection. Forgive us when we feel we have to have absolute proof of everything. Your love in Jesus Christ is all the proof we need. You conquered death and sin, you brought us to new life. We praise your holy name and sing our unending song of hope and thanksgiving: Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia! Amen.

(Pause for silent confession.)

Nancy C. Townley

MEDITATION AND PROCLAMATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 31:1-6 Frank Maynard

The word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

CHORAL ADORATION: From “DIADEM,” Hymn 92 arr. James Mauk

Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all! *E. Perronet; alt. J. Rippon*

GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 28:1-10 Dr. Edwards

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SUNG RESPONSE: “Write These Words” John S. Wilson

Write these words in our hearts, we beseech you, O God.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION Dr. Edwards

* OFFERTORY HYMN 228: “The Day of Resurrection!” LANCASHIRE

* OFFERTORY PRAYER Mr. Mauk

OFFERTORY Mr. Ross

* DOXOLOGY LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

ANTHEM: “Blessed be the God and Father” Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Which, according to his abundant mercy, hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled, that fadeth not away reserved in heaven for you, Who are kept by the power of God, through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Pass the time of your sojourning here in fear. Love one another with a pure heart fervently, See that ye love one another, with a pure heart fervently. Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away: But the word of the Lord endureth forever. Amen.

I Peter 1:3-5, 15, 16, 22-25

Jackson Baldwin, Allison Benoit, and Esther Keller, soloists and Gossett-Biggs Choral Scholars

SERMON: “Shaking Things Up” Dr. Grammer

RESPONSE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Dr. Grammer

We believe in God the Creator, who made the world from nothing, who was faithful when we were not, and who continuously seeks to redeem the world.

We believe in God the Son, Jesus Christ, who humbled himself by becoming human and moving into our neighborhood; was sent by the Father to give us life; embodied and taught the righteous love of God; and who, though he knew no sin, was put to death on a cross. We believe that three days later, Jesus Christ was raised from the dead by the power of God.

We believe that the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus give us victory over any form of sin and brokenness and allow us to know the full love of God for the world.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who actively works in our lives, giving us grace to be like Jesus, sending us to show God's love for this world.

Brian Miller, adapted

CALL TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 218: "Thine Is the Glory" MACCABEUS
(Persons desiring membership in our church are invited to come forward during the singing of this hymn.)

* BENEDICTION AND CHORAL AMEN Dr. Grammer

* POSTLUDE Mr. Ross

*The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God
and in celebration of Theo Pitt Jr.'s 90th birthday today.*

THE MINISTRY OF WORSHIP

Libby Grammer
Senior Minister

Elizabeth Edwards
Associate Minister

James Mauk
Minister of Music

Lisa Meadows
Minister to Children

Daniel Edwards
Crucifer

Catherine Cobb
Acolyte

Zack Ross
Organist

The Lakeside Chancel Choir

The Lakeside Ringers

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Today is Easter Sunday, the joyous celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ! Easter Sunday marks the end of Holy Week, the end of the season of Lent, and is the beginning of Eastertide in the liturgical year. Eastertide is celebrated from Easter Sunday for fifty days, until the day of Pentecost, and focuses on the meaning of Christ's resurrection. The liturgical color is white, symbolizing light, victory, and eternal life.

Restrooms, including a wheelchair-accessible family restroom, are located in the hallway behind the sanctuary. Please ask an usher if you need directions. **Childcare** is available in the preschool building. If you have a young child who becomes restless during worship, you are welcome to utilize our **Kids' Corner** in the back of the sanctuary by the audio booth. **Children's worship bags** are available in the narthex and have a variety of items that will help to make worship more meaningful for our children. Please return them to the narthex following worship. **Bibles and several large print hymnals** are available for your convenience and are located in the Prayer Room off the Narthex. Please ask an usher as you enter the sanctuary. **Wireless hearing aides** are available in the Prayer Room off the narthex. Please ask an usher to assist you with a set. You may return the hearing aid to the Prayer Room following worship. **We are grateful for our choral scholars**, Jackson Baldwin, Allison Benoit, Rebecca Blackwell, Esther Keller, and Jacob McCain, who enrich our music ministry in many ways. Choral Scholars and guest singers are supported by the **Gossett-Biggs Music Fund**. Anyone interested in supporting the fund is invited to designate a contribution.

Lakeside Fellowship and Ministry

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS

Please remember the following persons who need our prayers and support:

At Home:

Janice Bobbitt (Chuck Taylor's sister), 4204 Whitehurst Drive, Wilmington, NC 28409

Robyn Edwards Chapman (Jeannette Pittman's cousin), 1481 Richardson Road, Apt. C406, Apex, NC 27523

Bob Davis (Dan Davis' brother), 427 McIver Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Doug Edwards, 4699 Moreland Drive, Battleboro, NC 27809

Michele Costa Foster, 105 Gloucester Court (03)

Charlotte Gilliam, 3794 Loblolly Drive (04)

Bill Jones (Dorrie Wright's brother)

C. B. Morris, 1930 Northern Boulevard (04)

Jeannette and Grady Pittman, 313 Englewood Drive (04)

Patricia Taylor (Napoleon Taylor's wife), 514 Hammond Street (04)

Betsy Waters, 401 E. Rhode Island Ave., Room 275, Southern Pines, 28387

Our Members at Home:

Martha Bulluck, Spring Arbor, 1251 South Winstead Avenue, Room 208 (03)

John Capiello, Brookridge Retirement Community, 1199 Hayes Forest Dr., Room 534, Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Daisy Howell, The Landings of Rocky Mount Mills, 1365 River Drive, Room 512 (04)

You are invited to a Celebration of Life for Dr. John Hartness on Saturday, April 11, at 2:00 p.m., at North Carolina Wesleyan University. The service will be held just outside the Hartness Student Center, with a reception following inside the center. In case of bad weather, the service will be held inside the Dunn Center.

Many thanks from our grateful hearts for the love given to us in the recent passing of Dickie's dad, Elwood Berry. Our Lakeside family holds a large piece of our hearts. We appreciate the messages, cards, food, and flowers that we have received.
Love, Nancy and Dick Berry

TOPNOTCHERS OUTING

There is still room left to join the Topnotchers for an outing to Bellamy's Mill on Fishing Creek, the home of Dee and Stewart Gibson, on Tuesday, April 7. The group will meet at 10:15 a.m. in the Lakeside parking lot. As the church office will be closed on Monday, please contact Sue Bulluck at (252) 813-1377 if you plan to attend. We hope you can make it!

MISSIONS MARKETPLACE

Make plans to join us for our 2026 Missions Marketplace on Sunday, April 26, following worship. We will enjoy a covered-dish luncheon, music by the children's choir, and a silent auction to benefit the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship's Offering for Global Missions.

We are seeking donations of arts and crafts items, services like babysitting or flower arranging, and themed gift baskets for the silent auction. Everyone has a gift or talent to offer! Contact the church office for more information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help with a churchyard landscaping and cleanup day on Saturday, May 2, from 8:00 a.m. until noon. Bring your yard tools for trimming, raking, and debris clean-up. Contact the church office to let us know if you can help.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY, RACHEL

We give thanks for Rachel Holloman who celebrated her 9th anniversary as Director of the Lakeside Preschool on April 3. Thank you, Rachel, for all the ways you love the children in your care, support the families and staff who are a part of the preschool family, and promote the work of the school!

THIS WEEK AT LAKESIDE

Sunday, April 5: Easter Sunday

11:00 a.m. Worship, *Sanctuary*

NO EVENING PRESCHOOL, CHILDREN'S, & YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Monday, April 6

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 7

4:00 p.m. Lakeside Ladies Book Club, *Parlor*

Wednesday, April 8

10:30 a.m. At the Table, *Benvenue Country Club*

4:00 p.m. Turnage Lecture Series Committee, *Conference Room*

NO MUSIC MINISTRY REHEARSALS

Sunday, April 12

9:45 a.m. Growing Together Groups, *Education Building*

10:00 a.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal, *Sanctuary*

11:00 a.m. Worship, *Sanctuary*

11:20 a.m. Children's Church, *Youth Suite*

12:15 p.m. Missions Committee, *Conference Room*

5:00 p.m. Preschool, Children, and Youth Activities, *Music & Youth Suites*



On this Resurrection Sunday, as we gather for worship, we will resurrect the Alleluias our children and youth buried at the beginning of the Lenten season.

Thank you to all of Lakeside's Kids who helped to color the beautiful banner to welcome us into worship and celebrate Christ's Resurrection!

Burying the Alleluias is a practice that dates from the Middle Ages, often done at the beginning of the Lenten season. It serves as a reminder that we will refrain from singing our Alleluias during this solemn and reflective season in order to resurrect them with joy on Easter morning.



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Give this April to the CBF
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Bring Pocket Change to Lakeside Kids on Sundays in April
Give Cash or Check, memo: CBF OGM
Give Online at lakesidechurchmt.org/give
Bid on items at Missions Marketplace on April 26