

JESUS IS RISEN!

AT THE NAME OF JESUS
EVERY KNEE SHOULD BOW...
EVERY TONGUE SHOULD CONFESS
THAT JESUS CHRIST IS LORD,
TO THE GLORY OF GOD THE FATHER.

PHILIPPIANS 2:10-11



**Bethesda Presbyterian Church
Aberdeen, North Carolina
Founded 1788**

*"Glorifying God by proclaiming the gospel of
Jesus Christ through love, faith, prayer, and service."*

Service for the Lord's Day

April 20, 2025 11 o'clock

Easter Sunday

Gathering Music

Moore Brass

Welcome and Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Bringing in the Light of Christ

†Call to Worship

from Psalm 107

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is risen indeed!

†Hymn #232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

†Call to Confession

†Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Mighty God, by your power is Christ raised from death to rule this world with love. We confess that we have not believed in him but fall into doubt and fear. Gladness has no home in our hearts, and gratitude is slight. Forgive our dread of dying, our hopelessness, and set us free for joy in the victory of Jesus Christ, who was dead but lives, and will put down every power to hurt or destroy, when your promised kingdom comes. Amen.

†Assurance of Pardon

†Sharing of the Peace

†Congregational Response #582

GLORY TO GOD

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,
whose grace has pardoned me, and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen. (2x)*

Moment with Young Disciples (No children's church, please return to your seats)

Prayer of Illumination

Anthem

Easter Canticle

Gospel Reading

Luke 24-1-12

Sermon

†Hymn #248

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

†Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into
heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

(*In this context, the word catholic is defined as the universal Christian church)

†Prayers of the People

Offering & Offertory

†Offering Response Hymn #606

Doxology

†Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Words of Invitation

One: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you

One: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

One: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Words of Institution

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

Holy Communion

Special Music During Communion *The Strife is O'er*

†Prayer after Communion

†Closing Hymn #238 *Thine is the Glory*

†Charge and Benediction

†Choral Benediction Hymn #238 refrain

Postlude

† Please stand as you are able.

Special thanks – to **Moore Brass** for enhancing our worship this morning with your musical gifts and talents.

Chris Dunn – trumpet, Rob Hill – trumpet,
Kim Clark – French horn, Rebecca Clemmens – trombone,
and Davis Clark – tuba

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Friday, 9:00 am–12 noon



Easter Lilies

The lily that blooms at Easter symbolizes the resurrection because it rises from a seemingly lifeless bulb decaying in the ground. It is a symbol of purity and is also used as a symbol of Christ himself. With the ones before us today, we have the added message of love between family and friends.

Given In Honor Of

*Our children: Ashtyn, Catherine, Kelly, and Ella from Kim and Davis Clark
Cindy Kane from the Jacobs Family
Andy and Vickie Auman from the Jacobs Family
The Bethesda Church Family from the Jacobs Family
The Chancel Choir from Earlene and Larry McLamb
The Children's Choir and Families from Larry and Earlene McLamb
Julie Formanski from Earlene and Larry McLamb
Chris Auman from the Jacobs Family
Jane Smith from Bill and Linda Parke
Susan Atkinson from Bill and Linda Parke
Jamie and Alison from Bill and Linda Parke
Gloria and Vance Crane from Bill and Linda Parke
Peggy Jones from Bill and Linda Parke
The Byers Family from Bill and Linda Parke
Their parents from David and Cary Bryson
Their children and grandchildren from Jim and Julia Thomas*





In Loving Memory Of

Joyce and Curtis McInnis from Dan and John McInnis

JC Smith from his loving family

Frank and Ann McNeill from Frank and Susan McNeill

Henry and Merrill Jordan from Susan and Frank McNeill

Pat and Penny Kelly from Kim and Davis Clark

Vann and Ella Ruth Clark from Davis and Kim Clark

Chuck Dearborn, Jane Sandrock, and Neill Caldwell from Kim and Davis Clark

Derek Robinson and Arnold & Ruth Abercrombie from Joyce Robinson

Tom Sherwin from Marilyn Sherwin

Ruth (Ned) Smith from Sherry Wright

Jean Bradford from Sherry Wright

Their Parents from Jane and Rick McInnis

Betty Jarvis from her Grandchildren

Jim Gorba from the Gorba Family

C.H. "Pat" and Doris Blue from Luis and LoJuanna Pages

Luis and Lucrecia Pages from Luis and LoJuanna Pages

Iris and Gorden Keith from David and Martha Keith

Claire Bruno from David Keith

Chuck Dearborn from Nancy Dearborn

John and Viola Fiddner from Earlene and Larry McLamb

The Fiddner Family from Earlene and Larry McLamb

Jane Sandrock from Ashtyn and Noah Adams

Their Mothers from Craig and Sharon Fogleman

Samuel Justin Kane from Cindy and Sean Kane

Margaret and Samuel James Kane from Cindy and Sean Kane

Juanita and Raymond Auman from Cindy and Sean Kane

Betty and Howard Smith from Cindy and Sean Kane

Dr. Bill Rolland from Bill and Linda Parke

Junior Jones from Peggy Jones

Doris Jones from Peggy Jones

Bill Jones from Peggy Jones

Betty Jarvis from Lori, Amy, Nancy, and the grandchildren

Helen Yannich from the Hands

Barb Dally from the Patton Family

Lola-Jo Heffron from Collette Webster

Their Parents from Jim and Julia Thomas

Announcements

The Church Office will be Closed tomorrow, Easter Monday.

Hold the date....Saturday, April 26 from 9 am-12 Noon. We hope that you might join us for some spring cleaning:) If you're interested and would like to volunteer, please contact Laura Hill at 910.690.7817 or lauramdhill@gmail.com. Thank you...the Worship and Building and Grounds committees.

Mission Opportunity Maureen Paterson, Associate Pastor at Basking Ridge Presbyterian Church, NJ, and former intern at Bethesda, is planning a mission trip for her church members to come to NC to work alongside the Baptists on Mission in Swannanoa the week of April 27-May 2. Anyone from Bethesda who is interested may join that week. They will be making emergency repairs to homes awaiting future full repair. They will be staying at First Baptist Church in Swannanoa which will provide overnight accommodations, meals, and all worksite oversight and supplies. Contact Maureen if you are interested: 908.403.4085 (cell)

Aberdeen Lions Club will hold its annual BBQ Fundraiser at Aberdeen Lake Park this Thursday from 11 am – 6 pm. Plates of BBQ Chicken or Pork are \$12.

Habitat for Humanity Apostles' Build Thursday, Friday, and Saturday dates are available. Bethesda will fill in on days when they need more volunteers. Contact the church office if you are interested in participating in May and/or June.

VBS will be July 7-11, 2025.

Last Week's Numbers

Worship Attendance 160

Offering Collected \$5,333

Sunday School Attendance 51

Celebrations and Concerns Prayer List

Members

Tom and Harriet Mueller Earlene and Larry McLamb John O'Brien
Doug and Mary Lawrie Peggy Jones Jim Thomas Bob Armswood
Frank Holt Nancy Dearborn Betty Lou Stewart Mary Ann Ward

Members in Facilities

Hugh Joyce, Ellen Heckman- Penick Village
Harold Williams – Fox Hollow

Members to Keep in Prayer

Kitty Kuzminski Nancy Clark
Jackson Smith Bruce Thomas
Gladys Harris Sara Swartout Karen Robertson

Friends and Family (new additions in bold)

Jenny Abbot
David and Patsy Bailey (friends of Bethesda)

June Bosley (cousin of Sue Wiener)
Kiante Bullard (friend of Bethesda)
The Byerly family (niece of Ann Woodfield)
Sally Conlon (friend of Connie Atwell and Ron Schuch)
Sarah Corcoran (Marjorie Downey's granddaughter)
Amanda Cox (friend of Rebecca Dunn)
Kyle Donohue (Kitty Kuzminski's niece)
Lisa Eaton (Ann Woodfield's daughter)

The Foils Family

Mark Galyean (friend of Faith Church)
Samantha Garrison (former member of Bethesda)
Pete Golden (friend of Laura Hill)
April Graf (friend of Ann Woodfield)

June Hampton (sister of Joyce Robinson)

Morgan Hill (friend of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)
Henry & Vera Hutcherson (Will Jacob's grandparents)
Kam and Mary Kathryn Hurst (friends of Bethesda)
Roger Jacobs (Peggy Jacobs' husband)
Jesse Joyce (friend of Bill and Linda Parke)
Kelsi (friend of Carolyn Burns)
Christina King and Family (friends of Bethesda)
JoAnne Ladd (friend of Paula Caddell)
Timothy Liles (friend of Leigh Baggs)
Glenn Miller (friend of Rick and Jane McInnis)
Carol and Alan Monroe (friends of Bethesda)
Kacey McDonald (cousin of Al McDonald)
Neil McKenzie (friend of Jane and Rick McInnis)
Patrick McLaughlin (son of Pat and Sandy McLaughlin)
Judy and Mike Melendez (friends of Chuck and Nancy Dearborn)
Jeanne Muse (friend of Mary Ann Ward)
Mike Norton (friend of Francisco)
Carrie Peterson (friend of the Noyes family)
Vickie Pinkston (friend of Gloria Crane)
Jennifer Pinkston (Gloria Crane's daughter)
Tom Pinkston (Gloria Crane's son)
Terry Porter (friend of Judy Heffner)
Alexander Deaton Riley (Great-grandson of Kitty Kuzminski)
Betty Ann Shaw (mother of Mary Ann Ward)
Mark Simmons (friend of Rick and Lisa Noyes)
Ed and Linda Stallings (friends of Jane McInnis)
Floyd Strupe (Mary Katherine's father)
Angie and Abby Underhill (friends of Bethesda and Merry Hearts)
Kathy Walker (friend of Kitty Kuzminski)
Kathy and Dale Weston (Nancy Dearborn's cousin)