

THE FEAST OF THE

Resurrection

APRIL 4, 2021

**Did you know?** Since the Council of Whitby in 663, the Church has marked Easter on the first Sunday that follows the first full moon of the Spring Equinox. The date therefore changes each year and falls on any day between March 22 and April 25.



## The Feast of the Resurrection: Easter Day Sunday, April 4, 2021 · 10:00 AM

Welcome to your Spiritual Home! We invite you to prepare for worship wherever you are, just as you would at Church: with a few moments of prayer, quiet, and meditation before we begin.

Special greetings to our Visitors! We want your experience to be as enjoyable as possible. If you have questions, please vist our website, or contact us at visitor@christchurchcharlotte.org.

This bulletin is designed for use with the Book of Common Prayer (BCP). Text in bold italics is read aloud or sung by the congregation. Text in regular italics provides directions or details.

Prelude, The Sun Will Rise

The Brilliance

Welcome

The Reverend Chip Edens

### THE WORD OF GOD

Easter Acclamation, BCP 355

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

The Collect of the Day, BCP 222

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People: And also with you.**Celebrant: Let us pray.

The Reverend Joshua Case

**Did you know?** One practice of commemorating Easter is the joyous greeting of "Alleluia. Christ is risen." and a response of "He is risen indeed! Alleluia." It reminds us that Jesus is alive and in our midst and God welcomes us into a new life in the Spirit.

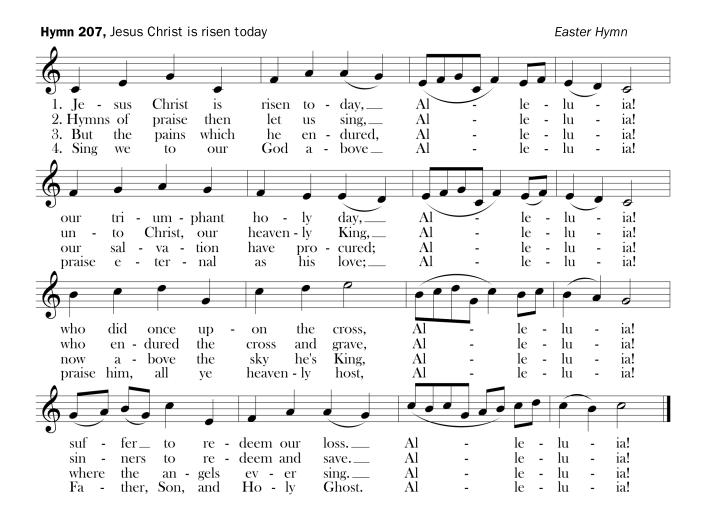
Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

### The First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

Lila Brown

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.** 



### The Gospel Reading: Mark 16:1-8

The Reverend Lisa Saunders

### Did you know?

Mark was the first gospel to be written. This is the original ending to Mark (later editions added 12 more verses) which does not include any sighting of the resurrected Jesus, as the other gospels do. The empty tomb is Mark's last work on the identity and significance of Jesus.

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark. **People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.** 

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord. **People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.** 

**The Sermon** 

The Reverend Chip Edens

The Apostles' Creed

The Reverend Joan Kilian

I believe in God the Father almighty creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father, he will come again 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

### The Easter Prayers of the People

The Luther Family

Leader: O God, we pray that the joy and victory of Easter be celebrated throughout all creation;

People: Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: May the reconciliation you won on the cross flourish among families, communities, and nations;

People: Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Bring your resurrection hope and healing to the sick, the poor, the oppressed, and the lonely;

People: Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: As you promised paradise to the repentant thief on the cross, forgive us our sins and

grant us eternal life;

People: Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: Raise up in us renewed faith to discover you in the stranger and in the breaking of the bread;

People: Risen Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: As the empty tomb gave way to the risen Lord, may our hearts give way to God's gracious

will in our lives;

People: All thanks and praise to you, risen Christ. Alleluia.

The Celebrant says the parish intercessions and this concluding collect,

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people and grant that we who celebrate the Paschal feast with awe and wonder may be found worthy to attain everlasting joys; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

What happened to the confession? There is no confession on Easter Day nor during the entire fifty days of Easter, as the season celebrates the good news of the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Peace

The Reverend Fred Paschall

The Offertory

The Reverend Chip Edens

The Easter offering this year will be given to Hope Vibes and Safe Alliance. Hope vibes exists to develop creative exit strategies to end homelessness through direct relief, research, innovation, advocacy and systemic disruption. At Safe Alliance, their mission is to provide hope and healing for those impacted by domestic violence and sexual assault.

We urge you to give as generously as you are able. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/outreach for more information. Please note or select "Easter" on your gift via checks, online, or text-to-give at 704-741-7324. Thank you very much for your generosity.

The Offertory Anthem, Death in His Grave

John Mark McMillan

Did vou know?

Death in His Grave was written by Charlotte local, John Mark McMillan.

The Lord's Prayer, BCP 364

The Reverend Connor Gwin

As our Savior has taught us, we now pray:

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

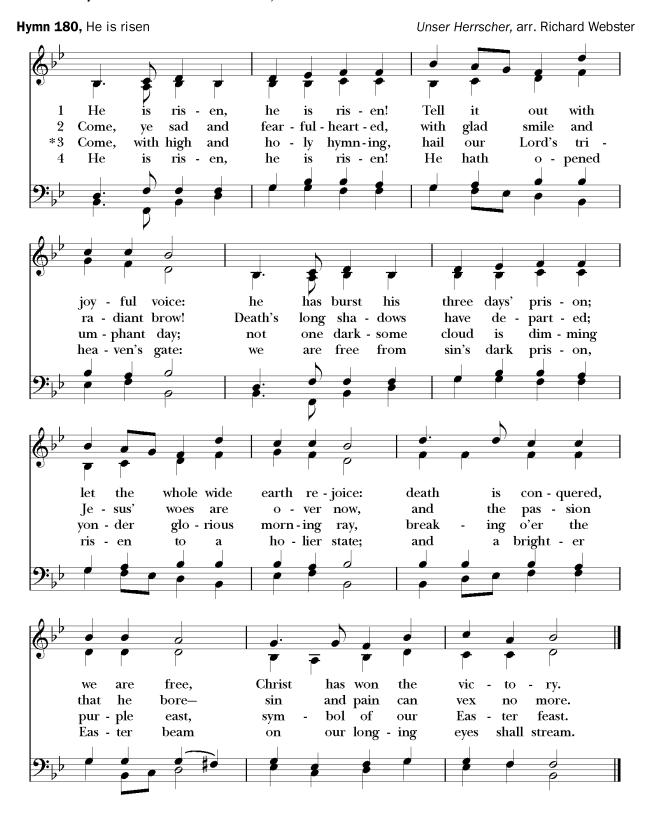
The Blessing

The Reverend Joan Kilian

**Did you know?** The feast of the resurrection kicks off the Great 50 days of Easter. This is a season of joyous celebration as we come to understand the Resurrection of Christ and what that means for us.

Priest: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.



Postlude, Great Things

Phil Wickham

## EASTER LILIES, DONATIONS IN MEMORY AND THANKSGIVING

### In Loving Memory:

Aimee Norman

Alan Dickson

Angus M. McByrde

Anne Bumgardner Horne

Baby Davis

Barbara Feldkemp

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### Given by

Paula Moss

**Neal Johnson** 

The McByrde Family

Her Family

Mom and Dad

Heather & Sean Bonner

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Carol and Bill Lorenz

Dave and Debra Baker

Dave and Debra Baker

Their Family

Will and Dorothy Trotter

Fletcher and Mary Gregory

**Bruce Miller** 

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The Bledsoe Family

**Eleanor Neal** 

Marilynn Bellmann

Bates and Emily Adair

Helen Penter

Bates and Emily Adair

Ann Pendergrass

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His Loving Family

Jenny and Will Joyner and their children

Joann Tolmie

Terry, Gary, Parker and Lauren Wolfe

Meg Montague

Audra and Ned Tyree

Meg Montague and John Pollock

Ed, Anna, Lily, Evie, and Molly McMahan

Steve, Nancy, Patsy and Lulu Sasz

Mimi, Marks and their grandchildren Texie and Sara Camp

Jenny and Will Joyner and their children

Paula Yorke and David Collins

Audra and Ned Tyree

Ann and Benjy Seagle

His Family

Steve, Nancy, Patsy and Lulu Sasz

Sally, Jay and McNair Mitchener

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Dave and Debra Baker

Vicky Mitchener

Her Parents, Carol and Bill Lorenz

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Fletcher and Mary Gregory

Winston Pachall

#### In Honor Of:

Alison and Will Dunning
Allie and Katie Norman

Barbara and Claude Plumlee

Our children and their spouses Baxter and John, Claude and

Mary, and Craddock Close

Ben and Lisa Baker

Briant and Wells Buchanan

Christ Church Clergy

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The Christ Church Clergy and Staff

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The Clergy at Christ Church

Our grandparents Claude and Barbara Plumlee and Anne Close

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Paul and Melissa Tolmie and Family

### Given By:

Kate Hill

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Betsy, Dick, Lindsey, Stewart and Sallie Parkhurst

Derek and Sallie Close

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The Buchanan Family

Sean, Heather, Alison, & Ryan Bonner

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Baxter Petrone, Claude and Craddock Close

Millice and Mason Ellerbe

Mimi and Marks Arnold and their grandchildren Texie and Sara

Camp

Glenn and Kathleen Nastiuk

The Allred Family

Dave and Debra Baker

Reuben and Genie Hufham

Sally Mitchener

Neal Johnson

Dave and Debra Baker

Joann Tolmie

The flowers on the sanctuary altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of James M. and Frances W. Shannon-house by their children, Frances S. Clardy and James M. Shannonhouse, Jr. and their families

The garland over the sanctuary door is given in memory of Frances Rudy and Edward Colville Griffith by their daughter Sally Griffith Cooper, Martha Phelps and Halcourt Towne Cosby by their daughter Mary Cosby Rinehart, and Catherine Poe and Channing Bolton Brown by their daughter Catherine Brown Browning.

The flowers on the Paschal Candle are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Van Hill by his wife Kate and children Turner, Laura and Sean Dunning.

In lieu of providing the Processional Cross flowers a donation was given to the glory of God and in loving memory of George Welch Liles and James Felix Clardy by the Bob Lucas family.



# **News & Notices**

## **Easter Sunday**

All are invited to worship online with us this week at **www.christchurchcharlotte.org/live**, on the Christ Church app, or on Facebook @ChristChurchCharlotte.

8:45 & 11:15 am Festive Easter Worship (Choral) 9:45 am Discovery Easter Worship 10 am Festive Easter Worship (Band) 9 am - 1 pm Easter Day Pilgrimage (details below)

### **LOVE GOD**

Easter Day Pilgrimage - In addition to our Easter worship services online, we invite you to come home for Easter! Your family can register for a place in our special Easter day pilgrimage to Christ Church. You will be able to walk through the Nave filled with Easter lilies and music, and offer prayers for your family, our community, and the world. Financial donations to support our outreach partners are also welcomed. Register for your 5-minute time slot at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-pilgrimage. We can't wait to welcome you home.

**Return to In-person Worship** - Beginning Sunday, April 11 at 8:30 am, 10:30 am, and 5 pm, anticipating continued declines in Covid rates, we are making plans to return to in-person worship (on our summer schedule) by reservation. Please visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/worship/our-services for the most up-to-date information or to register.

The flowers that grace the altar are generously donated in honor, memory or celebration of loved ones. We are seeking donors to provide the flowers in the Nave and All Saints' Hall on these Sundays: April 11, 18, and 25 and May 2, 9 and 30. To sign up or learn more, please contact Polly Pearce at pollycpearce@gmail.com.

**Live Contemporary Worship Service** - Join us for a live, interactive worship experience on Sundays, April 18 and May 16 at 5 pm via Zoom, with readings, prayer, songs, and a discussion. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/worship/our-services for the Zoom link.

**Youth Sunday is May 2** - Come support our youth as they lead our Sunday worship services. Students in grades 6 - 12 are invited to participate as ushers, readers, preachers, or greeters. Please email Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte.org to express interest. Youth who would like to help with worship music are encouraged to email Shea Watts at wattss@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Faith Builders Sunday School - Families, we offer a new Sunday School video and craft activity for 3-year-olds to 5th graders every Sunday. This season we are using the Faith Builders curriculum, written and designed by Christ Church just for you! Find us on the Christ Church app ("Just for Kids" section) or the webpage below. You can also sign up to receive the lesson plans for the month and all supplies needed for crafts and activities, available for pickup on the Rotunda porch. Register for supplies at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/sundayschool.

## **WAYS TO GIVE**

### **Your Generosity Makes a Difference**

Our spiritual home will continue to be the church throughout this time of crisis. Your ongoing financial support is critical. Please consider giving to Christ Church during worship services or any time. Visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/offering for details about Text2Give, new in-app giving, and other giving options.

### **Easter Offering**

Please note or select "Easter Offering" on your gift.

Our Easter offerings will be given to two of our outreach partners:

**Hope Vibes** (hopevibes.org), an organization that develops creative exit strategies to end homelessness through direct relief, research, innovation, advocacy, and systemic disruption.

**Safe Alliance** (safealliance.org), an organization that provides hope and healing for those impacted by domestic violence and sexual assault, through a variety of programs and services: Greater Charlotte Hope Line, Domestic Violence Shelter, Victim Assistance Court Program, Sexual Trauma Resource Center, and Survivor Resource Center, just to name a few.

**Get "The Daily" on Your Phone!** Did you know we send out a short daily scripture passage and thought for the day? You can now receive it via the Christ Church app. To subscribe, download the Christ Church app and allow push notifications. Then go to Settings > Notifications in the upper left menu of the app and select "The Daily." You can also visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/goodbook to sign up for emails.

## CARE FOR EACH OTHER

**Easter Fun for All** - In lieu of our traditional Easter Egg Hunt this year, we invite you to try some new ways to celebrate Jesus' resurrection with your family. Find fun and creative suggestions, like creating a Resurrection Garden or the Jellybean Prayer, at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/easter-egg-hunt.

**The GoodNews Shop has Peterman's Boards and Bowls** - These strikingly unique and one-of-a-kind bowls and boards are handcrafted from a variety of woods. Make an appointment to come see these beautiful pieces! We are scheduling 45-minute appointments for instore shopping (one customer at a time). Call 704-372-5906 or email us at gns@christchurchcharlotte.org to schedule a time. Our hours are Monday - Friday, 9 am – 4 pm.

**Parenting Devotion Blog** - Be inspired with a blog post each week - written by our very own parishioners - on stories of hope, inspiration and joy they have discovered and experienced in their parenthood journeys. For more information and to view the blog, visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/family-ministry.

Faith and Wellness Groups: Exploring Spiritual Practices - Join a group of 6 - 8 participants as we dive deep into the interconnection of spirituality and wellness. We will meet on four Mondays, April 12 - May 3, at 11 am via Zoom to explore and experience spiritual practices that feed our heart, soul, mind, and strength. Register at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/wellness.

**The Space Between Us** is a three-day experience that will transform the way you communicate at home, at work, and in the world. Grounded in learning theory and current research, this program gets to the heart, as well as the science, of communication. This three-day session, led by Alice deVries and Makeda Pennycooke, will be held at the Church or via Zoom (TBD), April 20 – 22, from 9 am - 3:30 pm. To register or add your name to a waiting list for future sessions, please visit www.christchurchcharlotte.org/tsbu.

College and Seminary Scholarships Available - Christ Church Foundation offers scholarships for college and seminary studies. Applications are available at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/foundation. Deadline for applications is April 30. Return by email to Wendy Mauney at mauneyw@christchurchcharlotte.org or by mail to Christ Church Foundation, 1412 Providence Road, Charlotte, NC 28207.

Senior Celebration Sunday - On Sunday, May 16 at 7 pm in the Church circle, high school seniors and one family member are invited to a special liturgy to celebrate these students. Registration is required (max 100). Participants will agree to a self-check health screening at home, and to wear masks and practice social distancing while on campus, including during the service. Bring your own mask and chairs or blanket. In case of rain, the event will be canceled and students can pick up their packets at the Church. Contact Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte.org with questions.

**High School Life Group** - High school students are invited to weekly Life Group on Wednesdays from 7 – 8 pm. We will post the details for High School Life Group on GroupMe. If your high school student is not currently part of GroupMe, but wants to connect with us, please contact Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte.org. We will need their name and phone number.

**Middle School EYC** - Middle school students are invited to register to meet virtually via Zoom on Sunday evenings at 7 pm. Registration can be found on the website. Contact Maggie Baker at bakerm@christchurchcharlotte.org with questions.

**Mindful Mondays** - Start your week off with mindful meditation practices. Join us as we set our intentions for the week, engage in mindful practices, and close with a devotion. We hope to see you there. Mindful Mondays are available most Mondays from 9 - 9:30 am via Zoom. For more information, email Mollee Reitz at reitzm@christchurchcharlotte.org.

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The Reverend Joshua Case

The Reverend Connor Gwin

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### **Staff Directory**

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To subscribe to our emails, contact communications@christchurchcharlotte.org.

Yoga for the Spirit on Sundays at 4 pm continues via Zoom so you can practice at home. All are welcome, regardless of limitations. Email Joyce Cmiel at joycecmiel@aol.com for an invitation to the Zoom class.

**The Christ Church App** - The Christ Church app is available to download for Apple and Android. Stay connected to your spiritual home through your phone or tablet any time. With the Christ Church app, you can access our new School of Faith, watch videos live or later, listen to podcasts, read the Bible and weekly eDevotions, and more! Go to www.christchurchcharlotte.org/app for more information and download links. We can't wait to connect with you in this way!

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### SERVE THE WORLD

**Soles for Kids Shoes and Socks Collection** - April 12 - 16, Lena Bird and the Youth Council, will be collecting new and lightly used shoes and new socks to donate to Crisis Assistance Ministry. Their goal is to collect 4,000 pairs of shoes (a pair for every homeless child in Charlotte). Donations can be dropped off April 12 - 16 from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm in a bin on the Rotunda porch. Contact Alice deVries at devriesa@christchurchcharlotte.org with questions.

**Christ Church Habitat Build** - The 2021 Christ Church Habitat build began on February 19. There are opportunities to work on the house or to provide lunch and snacks for the builders. To sign up, visit the links on our website at www.christchurchcharlotte.org/outreach.