

# WHITE MEMORIAL

## PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 18, 2021  
3rd Sunday of Easter  
Live Streaming and In Person Worship with registration  
8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

*Christopher Edmonston*, Pastor  
*Jim Ferry*, Parish Associate  
*Gloria Johnson*, Associate Pastor for Outreach  
*Kirsten Homdrom*, Associate Director of Music  
*Karl Zinsmeister*, Director of Music  
*Terry Preston*, soprano  
*Aimée White*, alto  
*Brian White*, tenor  
*Bill Preston*, bass

### ORDER OF SERVICE

#### GREETING

#### PRELUDE

*Hornpipe in D*  
John S. Dixon (b. 1957)

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### CALL TO WORSHIP

One: This is the day the Lord has made for rejoicing and gladness.

**All: Let us praise God with the songs of our lives, the prayers of our hearts, and the proclamation of our faith.**

One: On this third Sunday of Easter, let us celebrate the grace of God.

**All: God's light and love is shining all around us.**

One: Let us worship together, the Lord our God who loves us, claims us.

#### HYMN 245

*Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have failed your high calling and your divine commandments. You have claimed us as children, and yet we rebel. In the name of Jesus, forgive our errant thoughts and our errant ways. May the grace of Christ the Lord, the resurrected Lord of Easter joy wash over us and renew our lives for service and celebration.**

**In the name of Jesus, hear our prayer. Amen.**

## **SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**

(8:00) **Theodore Carter Magee**, child of Liz and Jack Magee

(11:00) **Katharine Olivia Harris and Molly Elizabeth Harris**,  
children of Mary Kate and Brandon Harris

## **OLD TESTAMENT LESSON**

Psalm 4

<sup>1</sup>Answer me when I call, O God of my right!

You gave me room when I was in distress.

Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer.

<sup>2</sup>How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame?

How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? Selah

<sup>3</sup>But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself;  
the Lord hears when I call to him.

<sup>4</sup>When you are disturbed, do not sin;

ponder it on your beds, and be silent. Selah

<sup>5</sup>Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord.

<sup>6</sup>There are many who say, "O that we might see some good!

Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!"

<sup>7</sup>You have put gladness in my heart more than  
when their grain and wine abound.

<sup>8</sup>I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone,  
O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

## **A TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES**

## **NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

1 John 3:1-7

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called  
children of God; and that is what we are.

The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

<sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not  
yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed,  
we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

<sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

<sup>4</sup>Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

<sup>5</sup>You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin.

<sup>6</sup>No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins  
has either seen him or known him.

<sup>7</sup>Little children, let no one deceive you.

Everyone who does what is right is righteous,  
just as he is righteous.

**SERMON**  
*“God’s Children”*

**MUSICAL OFFERING**  
*Day of Arising*  
Carl Schalk (1929-2021)

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

**RESPONDING IN FAITH**

**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**  
The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;  
the third day he arose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty;  
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;  
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

**HYMN 536**  
*Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen*

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**POSTLUDE**  
*Prelude in G Major; BWV 541*  
Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

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## JOYS & CONCERNS

### PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

**Iris and John Pritchard, and Emily, Blake and Ridge Allen,** on the death of Iris' son, Colin Stephen Gibson, April 7, Raleigh, NC.

**Lee Baker and Pete Wood,** on the death of Lee's uncle,  
Milton Van Harris, April 8, Sanford, NC.

**Dawn, Henry, Lizzie and Collins Lowder,** on the death of Dawn's father,  
Andrew Jefferson Powell, Jr., April 8, Raleigh, NC.

**Ellen, Tommy, Kyle and Emily Pittman,** on the death of Ellen's father,  
John William "Bill" Stone, April 9, Cary, NC.

### NEW PRESBYTERIANS

**Elizabeth Westbrook Brown,** born March 2,  
child of Anderson and Campbell Brown, grandchild of Colin Brown.

**Robert Talton Day,** born April 5,  
child of Ellery and Wes Day, grandchild of Mollie and Jim Day.

**Ashton Elizabeth Jernigan and Rossie Llewelyn Jernigan,** born April 11,  
children of Sarah "Sam" and Martin Jernigan,  
grandchildren of Paige and Craig McLawhon.

### WEDDINGS

**Allison Gray Cranfill and John Benbury Haywood,** April 3,  
Historic Haywood Hall, Raleigh, NC. Allison is the daughter of  
Sarah and Paul Cranfill.

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**Music included in today's service:**

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## 245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

1 "Christ the Lord is risen to - day!"  
 2 Love's re-deem-ing work is done, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,  
 4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!

All cre - a - tion, join to say:  
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won,  
 Where, O death, is now your sting? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Praise to you by both be given,

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,  
 Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Je - sus died, our souls to save,  
 Ev - ery knee to you shall bow,

Sing, O heavens, and earth re - ply,  
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.  
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 Ris - en Christ, tri - um - phant now.

Originally printed as eleven four-line stanzas without alleluias, this Easter text was written during the first year following the author's life-changing conversion experience, yet it already shows his enduring emphasis on the theme of love. This lively Welsh tune sets it well.

## 536 Rise, O Church, like Christ Arisen



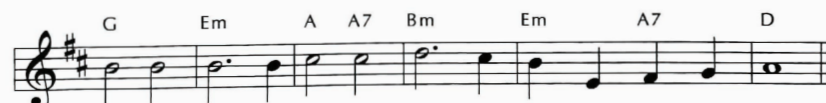
1 Rise, O church, like Christ a - ris - en, from this  
 2 Rise, trans - formed, and choose to fol - low af - ter  
 3 Rise, re - mem - ber well the fu - ture God has  
 4 Ser - vice be our sure vo - ca - tion; cour - age



meal of love and grace; may we through such love en -  
 Christ, though wound - ed, whole; bro - ken, shared, our lives are  
 called us to re - ceive; pres - ent by God's lov - ing  
 be our dai - ly breath; mer - cy be our des - ti -



vi - sion whose we are, and whose, our praise. Al - le -  
 hal - lowed to re - lease and to con - sole. Al - le -  
 nur - ture, Spir - it - ed then let us live. Al - le -  
 na - tion from this day and un - to death. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: God, the won - der of our days.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Christ, our pres - ent, past, and goal.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia: Spir - it, grace by whom we live.  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Rise, O church, a liv - ing faith.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

The second line of the first stanza shows that this hymn is meant for use in the context of the Lord's Supper, but the last stanza further clarifies its special purpose as a sending hymn celebrating the values guiding the work of the church in the world: service, courage, mercy.

# What's happening this week at WMPC

## SUNDAY | APRIL 18

### Cancer Companions

Sundays | through April 25

4:30-6:00 p.m. | Zoom

[Registration required for any/all classes](#)

## MONDAY | APRIL 19

### Red Cross Blood Drive

2:00-6:30 p.m. | Pickard Hall

Be the lifeline patients need! To make an appointment, please visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) and use sponsor code WMPC. Questions? Contact Ruth Landers at [ruth@landers.me](mailto:ruth@landers.me).

## TUESDAY | APRIL 20

### Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

7:30 a.m. | Zoom | [Registration required](#)

### This is Our Story. This is Our Song. The Black Church

Register: [Part 2 \(April 20 at 6:30 p.m., Main Hall\)](#)

To register for Documentary Discussion via Zoom click. Register: [Zoom Discussions](#)

This two-part documentary series explores the 400-year-old story of the black church in America, the changing nature of worship spaces, and the men and women who shepherded them from the pulpit, the choir loft, and church pews. Members and friends of WMPC are invited to watch this riveting documentary and to join us for Zoom conversations on Sundays, April 18 and 25. While you are welcome to watch this series on your own, we will also show Part 2 of *The Black Church* here in Main Hall (socially distanced and with masks worn) at 6:30 p.m. and discussion groups will follow during the Sunday school hour on Sundays, April 18 and 25 at 9:30 a.m. Please note, registration to attend the viewing is required as are the Zoom discussion groups.

## WEDNESDAY | APRIL 21

### Boxed Dinners to Go

Pick-up between 5:00-6:30 p.m.

McDonald Lane

Don't forget if you ordered a boxed dinner to go, today is the day to pick-up your Chicken Salad, Pasta Salad, Marinated Asparagus, Bishop Rolls, and Dessert!

## THURSDAY | APRIL 22

### Keenagers

10:00 a.m. | Zoom

Join us for Social Connection Time Please contact Tonya Higgins at [thiggins@whitememorial.org](mailto:thiggins@whitememorial.org) to receive Zoom link.

## FRIDAY | APRIL 23

### Men's Retreat

Friday-Saturday | April 23-24

In-person and Zoom | [Registration required](#)

All men are invited to join us on April 23 and April 24 for a special hybrid version of the Men's Annual Retreat. Guest speaker Pastor Franklin Golden is back with us again this year sharing his thoughts on deeper discipleship. Franklin is the pastor of Durham Church (PCUSA). There will be a time of gathering in the Main Hall on Friday, April 23 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. and discussions/break-out groups from 8:30 a.m.-noon on Saturday, April 24. Cost is \$25 and [registration is required](#).

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## SAVE THE DATES

### Our Anxious Youth: Empowering our Youth with Coping Strategies. Webinar with NAMI

Tuesday | May 4 | 7:00 p.m.

Zoom | [Registration required](#)

Sounds on Oberlin Wednesdays @ 1:00 p.m.

presents the Lyricosa Quartet

Wednesday | May 5 | 1:00 p.m.

[Live Stream and FB Live](#)

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Registration for most events can be found on our website [www.whitememorial.org/register](http://www.whitememorial.org/register)