

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

RECUPERATING AT HOME

Odessa Whitmire
Bill Whitmire
Peggy Wright
RJ York
Sarah Hoffman
Garland & Darlene Whittaker

Todd Hendrix
Earline Sigmon
Mike Kilby
Jackie Kanipe
Wally Davis

HOMEBOUND

Peggy Miller
Paul & Lula Towery
Mary Tuttle
Martha Sigmon
Bobbie Whisenant
Wanda Sue Ammerman

Virginia Brown
James M. Alexander—Duane
Alexander's father
Jane McMillan—Tina Rockett's aunt
Phil Elrod—friend of Bruce & Tera
Rockett

IN ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES

ABERNETHY LAURELS

Joan Williamson—Room 240
Peggy Hollis

Melissa Wike & daughter, Sarah

ALSO PLEASE REMEMBER:

Raeanne Kanipe
Donna Griffin Cox

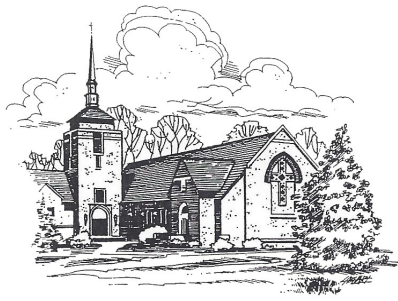
THE WORSHIP MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

All Church Members, Ministers
Rev. Peggy Stout, Pastor
Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choirs
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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 21, 2019 - 10:30 A.M.

**Indicates "all who are able please stand"*

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

"First Arabesque"

by Debussy/Rose Abernethy, Harpist

***CALL TO WORSHIP** (*Responsively*)

Joye Lane, Liturgist

This is a great and glorious day. We gather to celebrate good news—the tomb is empty; death is not the final word.

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The light shines in the darkness and the darkness can never put it out.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Let us respond to the presence of Jesus our Risen Lord, and joyfully worship our God who has done this mighty work.

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN**

"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

#297 Blue Book

***PRAYER OF INVOCATION** (*Responsively*)

Joye Lane, Liturgist

God of life, the women came to Jesus' tomb on the first day of the week, laden with the spices of sadness. You met them in resurrection power, and sent them running down the path to tell others that the tomb was empty.

Meet us, O God, this morning in our songs, scripture, and story. Reveal to us the Risen Christ that we too may tell the good news that life is stronger than death.

Grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, through Him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

***CHORAL INTROIT**

Chancel Choir—Martha Caldwell, Director

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER** (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

Merciful God, on this Easter morning, we come face to face with the

The Church Office will be CLOSED tomorrow Monday, April 22nd.

Rev. Peggy will be on vacation from


Wednesday, April 24th—Wednesday, May 1st.

In the event of an emergency, please contact one of the Elders for April: Dennis Falder (828-466-2087) or Kathy Winters (828-638-8500).

Volunteers are needed to help at ECCCM—tomorrow, April 22nd—any time between 8am-5pm. If you can help for an hour or two, please stop by ECCCM and let them know you are with Trinity Reformed UCC!

Singles:

Mystery Trip—Tomorrow, April 22nd at 6:00pm. Please bring money for van gas and dinner!



JOIN US FOR A ECCCM PICNIC—
honoring our Volunteers!
 Thursday, April 25th from 6-7:30pm
 at First Presbyterian Church in Newton

Every volunteer who has been at ECCCM in the past is welcome. Please RSVP to Jo Ann Sherrill at 828-465-1702 or j.sherrill@ecccm.org.

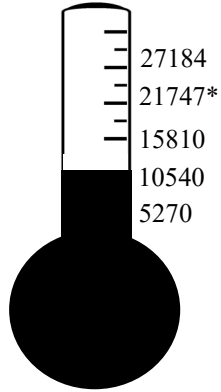
Next Sunday:

- **10:30am Service:**
 - Special Guest Organist, Amanda Treadway
 - Special Guest Minister, Rev. Sandi Hood

Rev. Hood will be preaching on "When Jesus Passes the Peace" out of John 20:19-31.
- **NO "Faith Alive!" Services Tonight!**

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! If you would be willing to serve as an Usher/Greeter on Sunday mornings, please contact Dianne Propst at 828-256-5803 or Tamara in the Church Office at 828-464-8226.

Attention Senior Adults (aged 55+): Sign-up sheets are available at the back of the Sanctuary for the Lazy 5 Ranch trip, the Catawba Queen ride, and the Wohlfahrt Haus Dinner Theatre in Virginia.
Please sign-up today, so we can make reservations!



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL</u>							
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving	
April 07	12	112	—	124	54	\$ 6,064.40	
April 14	12	99	48	159	47	\$ 3,987.00	
April 21							
April 28							
TOTALS	24	211	48	283	101	\$ 10,051.40	

Goal for a four week month is \$21,747* and for a five week month is \$27,184.

This Week

SUNDAY, APRIL 21

Easter Sunday

- 6:30am—Community Sunrise Service
- 7:30am—Community Breakfast
- 10:30am—Traditional Worship & Easter Cantata “Once And For All”
- *NO “Faith Alive!” Services Tonight!

MONDAY, APRIL 22

Easter Monday/Earth Day

Preschool & Church Office CLOSED

- 8:00am—Volunteers to ECCCM
- 6:00pm—Singles Mystery Trip Outing

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

Preschool CLOSED

- 5:00pm—Graves Scholarship Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

Preschool CLOSED

- 7:00pm—Choir Practice

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

Preschool CLOSED

- 9:00am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.
- 6:00pm—Sweet Adelines’
- 6:00pm—ECCCM Volunteers Picnic @ 1st Presbyterian, Newton

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

Preschool CLOSED

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Second Sunday of Easter

- 9:15am—S.S. Assembly
- 9:30am—Sunday School (all ages)
- 10:30am—Traditional & Lahu Worship (with Rev. Sandi Hood)
- *NO “Faith Alive!” Services Tonight!

IN THE LORD’S SERVICE

Acolyte(s): Nathan Lingle

Cross Bearer: Richard Bowers

Elder(s): Dennis Falder & Kathy Winters

Nursery Attendant: Sonya Starnes

Treasurer Assistant today:

Jerry Mallonee

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Liturgist: David Eckard

Lay Reader: Mike Brittain

Treasurer Assistant: Dennis Falder

Flower Calendar: Lawrence Warf

(Carole Cross on piano)

miraculous and the most astounding event of all time.

We confess our reluctance to push back the boundaries of what is known to make room for the unexplainable.

The resurrection of Jesus throws our thinking into disarray, and we sometimes struggle to grasp by reason your sacrificial act of love in Christ’s dying and rising.

O Lord, our thinking and our loving are limited;

Yet, you have stopped at nothing to reveal the magnitude of your love for us.

Forgive our unbelief. Help us in our struggle to trust your resurrection power to change our lives and to make us new. We ask all these things in the name of Christ who taught us to 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 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.

*PRAISE RESPONSE

“Christ Arose”

#298 Blue Book

***Up from the grave He arose,
With a mighty triumph o’er His foes;
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with His saints to reign;
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!***

(Please be seated.)

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Jessica Spain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Pat Bowers, Lay Reader

Gracious God, send your Holy Spirit upon the reading of your Word that it may serve to show us the path of life and lead us into your presence. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Psalm 118:1, 19-24, 29
The Word of the Lord.

Pat Bowers, Lay Reader

Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL READING

John 20:1-18
The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

Rev. Peggy Stout

All Praise to you, Christ our Lord.

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

*HYMN "Crown Him With Many Crowns" (vs 1, 3 & 5) #256 Blue Book

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

Invitation

Offertory "Chanson De Mai" by Hasselmans/Rose Abernethy, Harpist

*Doxology "Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Prayer

(Please be seated.)

THE EASTER CANTATA "Once and For All" Trinity's Adult Chancel Choir
with Director, Martha Caldwell *(Please see insert).*

*BENEDICTION (Responsively) Rev. Peggy Stout

May the grace of Christ, our Risen Lord, the love of God who raised Him from the dead, and the power of the Holy Spirit who fills the world with new life, bless and keep you.

Alleluia! Amen!

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE "Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain" by J Horn/arr by D Paxton
Marty Light



THE LILIES adorning the church today are given
in Memory and in Honor of our loved ones.
(Please see insert).

THANK YOU, Trinity Church Members, for all of your thoughts, prayers, concerns, cards, and calls during my cardiac ablation. - Lawrence Warf



OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 118:1, 19-24, 29*

¹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his steadfast love endures for ever! ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the LORD. ²⁰ This is the gate of the LORD; the righteous shall enter through it. ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. ²³ This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. ²⁴ This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. ²⁹ O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

*GOSPEL READING *John 20:1-18*

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' ³Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went towards the tomb. ⁴The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹²and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³They said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping?' She said to them, 'They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him.' ¹⁴When she had said this, she turned round and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, 'Woman, why are you weeping? For whom are you looking?' Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, 'Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.' ¹⁶Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." ' ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, 'I have seen the Lord'; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

All praise to you, Christ our Lord.