

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, visits

RECUPERATING AT HOME

Paul Towery Jack Power
Debbie Crotts Carole Cross
Joyce Potts Cal Harmon
Sarah Hoffman Marjorie Reaves
Virginia Brown Randy Steelmon
Wanda Sue Ammerman

HOMEBOUND

Martha Sigmon Diane Loftin
Lula Towery Peggy Wright
Bobbie Whisenant

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ABERNETHY LAURELS

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Peggy Hollis—Apt 219
Joe Schell—Apt 205

CAROLINA REHAB CTR OF BURKE

Peggy Miller—Room 110

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Mary Crump—Room 114

PENDER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Jackie Kanipe—Room 204
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Brenda Adams Linda Hill
Wally Davis Vae Hamilton
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Rev. Jaha Seechang, Lahu Worship Leader
Martha Caldwell, Director of Adult Traditional Choirs
Marty Light, Organist
Joe Hart, Financial Secretary
Tamara McCarter, Church Secretary

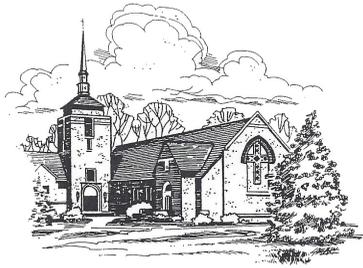
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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 04, 2021—10:30 A.M.

*Designates "Those who are able please stand."

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

Marty Light (*recording*)

CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

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

HYMN

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

Choral Ensemble

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Kathy Alexander, Liturgist

O God, creator and re-creator of life, over and over again you call us from the dark tomb of our night into the light of resurrection morning. Bring us forth yet again, we pray. Move us into a new day of potential and promise. Let our skeptical minds be transformed and our fearful hearts assured, even now, as we proclaim "Christ is risen indeed!" Amen.

PIANO INTROIT

Marty Light (*recording*)

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 miraculous and the most astounding event of all time, the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, we confess that we try to confine Jesus to our limited human understanding. We fear a close encounter with the living Christ because of what that might mean. In the face of life's trials, in despair or death, we too easily forget the wondrous evidence that good has triumphed over evil, love over hate, and life over death.

Forgive us, O God, the sins that separate us from the fullness of abundant life in Jesus Christ.

May we see and experience anew what the depth of your sacrificial love and mercy means for us. We ask all these things in the name of Christ

HAPPY EASTER



The Church Office will be CLOSED tomorrow for Easter.

The Children's School will be CLOSED all this week for Spring Break.

Don't Forget: The Scholarship Deadline for ALL scholarship applicants is Friday, April 9th. Please make sure your applications are sent or dropped-off in a timely manner. Thank you.

Attention Parents of High School AND College Graduates:

We will need your graduation information (full name, photo, school, degrees earned) by Wednesday, April 28th. We would like to include your children in our Graduation Recognition Sunday (to be held on Sunday, May 16th). Thank you for your help!

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Liturgist: Michael Lingle

Lay Reader: Stacy Helton

Flower Calendar: Becky Setzer

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Invitation *(Responsively)*

Rev. Peggy Stout

Luke, the evangelist, wrote of our risen Savior, who at the table with two of the disciples took bread and blessed and broke it and gave it to them. Their eyes were opened, and they recognized the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

In company with all believers in every time and beyond time, we come to this table to know the risen Christ in the breaking of the bread.

The Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

The Sharing

Sharing of the Bread

Sharing of the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Eternal God, we thank you for Christ's presence and for the spiritual food of Christ's body and blood. By the power of your Holy Spirit, keep us faithful to your will. Go with us to the streets, to our homes, and to our places of labor and leisure that whether we are gathered or scattered, we may be the servant church of the servant Christ, in whose name we rejoice to pray. Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

Offertory

***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.***

***Offertory Prayer**

(Please be seated.)

SPECIAL MUSIC

"Crown Him the Risen King"

Choral Ensemble

***Crown Him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave,
And rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save;
His glories now we sing Who died on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.***

***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Peggy Stout

***POSTLUDE**

Marty Light *(recording)*



GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:1-10

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. ² There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴ The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. ⁵ The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you." ⁸ So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

All praise to You, Christ our Lord!



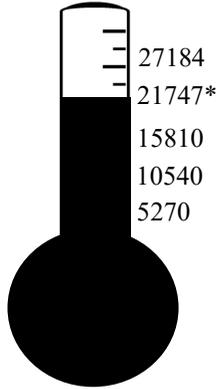
THE FLOWER on the table today is given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of Joyce & Gene Inman.

- Given by Pat Bowers, Bud Inman, Jim Inman, & Joye Lane

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

We would like to **THANK** Trinity Reformed UCC in Conover, NC who have loaned their handbells and equipment to us. It has been a real blessing to use these instruments to praise God through music. We look forward to performing for Palm Sunday, Easter Sunday, and Pentecost at our church.

- Ken Shook & Gwyn Tobias (from Westford UMC in Concord)



<u>ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH</u>						
	Lahu	10:30am	5:00pm	Total	SS	Envelope Giving
March 07	—	94	—	94	—	\$ 10,044.49
March 14	—	81	—	81	—	\$ 3,127.50
March 21	—	86	—	86	—	\$ 3,522.50
March 28	—	80	—	80	—	\$ 2,682.50
TOTALS	—	341	—	341	—	\$ 19,376.99

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

This Week

SUNDAY, APRIL 4

Easter Sunday

10:30am—Traditional Worship (LEC)

10:30am—Radio Broadcast
(90.5FM—in the parking lot)

MONDAY, APRIL 5

Preschool & Church Office **CLOSED**

TUESDAY, APRIL 6

Preschool **CLOSED**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7

Preschool **CLOSED**

THURSDAY, APRIL 8

Preschool **CLOSED**

9:30am—Prayer Shawl Ministry Mtg.

FRIDAY, APRIL 9

Preschool **CLOSED**

***Deadline for ALL Scholarship Applications**

SATURDAY, APRIL 10

SUNDAY, APRIL 11

Second Sunday of Easter

10:30am—Traditional Worship (LEC)

10:30am—Radio Broadcast
(90.5FM—in the parking lot)

11:30am—Consistory Meeting

THANK YOU all so much for your encouraging words, prayers, cards, and calls for our son, Michael Gantt—and for us. You all mean a lot to us and we love you.
- Charles & Brenda Gantt

I would like to **THANK YOU** for the gracious donations made to Catawba Elementary School's food pantry during the month of March. As you know this year has been hard on many families and our school was no exception. We send 75 food bags home each week and rely on our community and the kindness of others to keep our pantry stocked. I am proud to have such a giving and selfless church family.
—Natalie Inman

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”

Choral Ensemble

*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!*

LISTENING TO GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Jessica Spain

ANTHEM #1

“God So Loved the World”

Choral Ensemble

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Jennifer Lingle, Lay Reader

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

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 28:1-10

Jennifer Lingle, Lay Reader

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

SERMON

Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM #2

“How Marvelous are the Words”

Choral Ensemble

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostle's Creed*)

Addyson Lingle

Let us confess the faith of our baptism:

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is at the right hand of the Father, and 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.