

### **Birthdays**

23 - Lyndsay West  
24 - Jamie Rudd  
25 - Sheri Coarsey  
26 - Baron Barker  
27 - Caleb Koppelmeyer

### **Anniversaries**

25 - Mike and Katelyn Johns  
28 - Kevin and Marsha Angell

### **CONCERNS**

*Marian Grant family, Ruby Bryant family, People of Syria,  
Kathy Goodman's father in law-Jerry, Nicole Perkins, homeless children,  
Scott Jones, Our Nations Immigrants, Leigh Brown's sister-Susan,  
Josue Salvador, Paxton West, Ada Cashdollar, Jim Cashdollar,  
Luke Cashdollar, Priscilla Bennett.*

*Mary Alice Woods, Tressie Starrette, Nellie Grant, Ernie Hendrix,  
Mary Ruth Godfrey, Rosemary Rector, Ernestine Lanford, Barbara Robinson,  
Mary Jean Grose, Beecher Grose.*

*Those facing tough times: those who are mentally ill, those who are affected by  
violence, those who are incarcerated, those dealing with addictions in our commu-  
nity and in our world: Children who are a part of the Guardian ad Litem program,  
local law enforcement officers and fire fighters.*

*Those in the military: Molly Murphy, Greg West, Josh Wingfield, James Pulliam,  
Mark Staley, Adam Ivey, Austin Frutig, Zach Spoor, Mary Jane Johnson, Travis  
Clower, Logan Frutig, Caleb Sisk.*

*WELCOME TO ALL who have chosen to worship with us today. We pray that your being  
present will bring joy and peace and presence of God to you.*

*You are welcome to be a participant in the church activities at Grace.*

*If you would like more information or are interested in joining as a covenant participant  
as we seek to discern and live out God's call to us, please speak to our pastor or a  
covenant participant.*

*You may also contact us by phone at 704-872-5130, or by email at  
gracestatesville@gmail.com. Visit our website at [www.gracestatesville.org](http://www.gracestatesville.org).*

# The Celebration of Worship



## Community of Grace

April 23, 2017

EASTERTIDE

GATHERING

The Prelude

The Welcome and Announcements

The Choral Opening

“Give Us a Vision Lord”

RESPONDING

\*The Call to Worship

**Leader:** Create in me a clean heart , O God,  
**People:** And renew a right spirit within me.  
**Leader:** Restore to me the joy of thy salvation,  
**People:** And uphold me with a willing spirit.

\*The Invocation

\*The Hymn of Praise

"Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!"  
#257 v. 1,2,4

The Offering

Children’s Time

Affirmation of Faith

**Leader:** With the whole church  
**People:** We affirm that we are made in God’s image,  
befriended by Christ, empowered by The Spirit.  
**Leader:** With people everywhere  
**People:** We affirm God’s goodness at the heart of humanity,  
planted more deeply than all that is wrong.  
**Leader:** With all creation  
**People:** We celebrate the miracle and wonder of life;  
The unfolding purpose of God, forever at work in ourselves and the world.

ENGAGING

Prayers of the People

Gospel Lesson

John 20:1-18

Words of Grace

“When Easter Dawns”

The Choral Meditation

“May The Mind of Christ My Savior”

Celebration of Communion

*Prayer of Thanksgiving*  
*The Words of Institution*  
*The Invitation to the Table*

\*The Sharing of Bread and Cup

Everyone is invited to share in communion.  
When you are finished, please form a circle around the sanctuary.

If you are not able to come forward, let a deacon know and the elements  
will be brought to you.

SOJOURNING

\*Benediction in Song “What Does the Lord Require”

*1st Group (repeat 4 times): What does the Lord require of you?*  
*What does the Lord require of you?*

*2nd Group (repeat 3 times): Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.*

*3rd Group (repeat 2 times): To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly  
with your God.*

\*The Postlude

*\*All who are able, please stand*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

*April 30 - Stuffing “Rise Against Hunger” boxes at Trinity Episcopal. 1:00PM*

Assignments

Second Hour Helpers

Today - Mike Shaver and Eli Yacinthe. Alt. Louise Grose  
April 30 - Clay McDougall and Andora Nicholson. Alt. John Koppelmeyer  
May 7 - John Koppelmeyer and Carole Hendrix. Alt. Susie Wiberg

Church Maintenance

Before next Sunday - Nicholson/Davis

May 7 - Wardo

May 14 - Angell

**Budget**

Needed year to date: \$26,628.32

Received year to date: \$37,578.98

Over budget: \$10,950.66

Weekly needs: \$1664.27