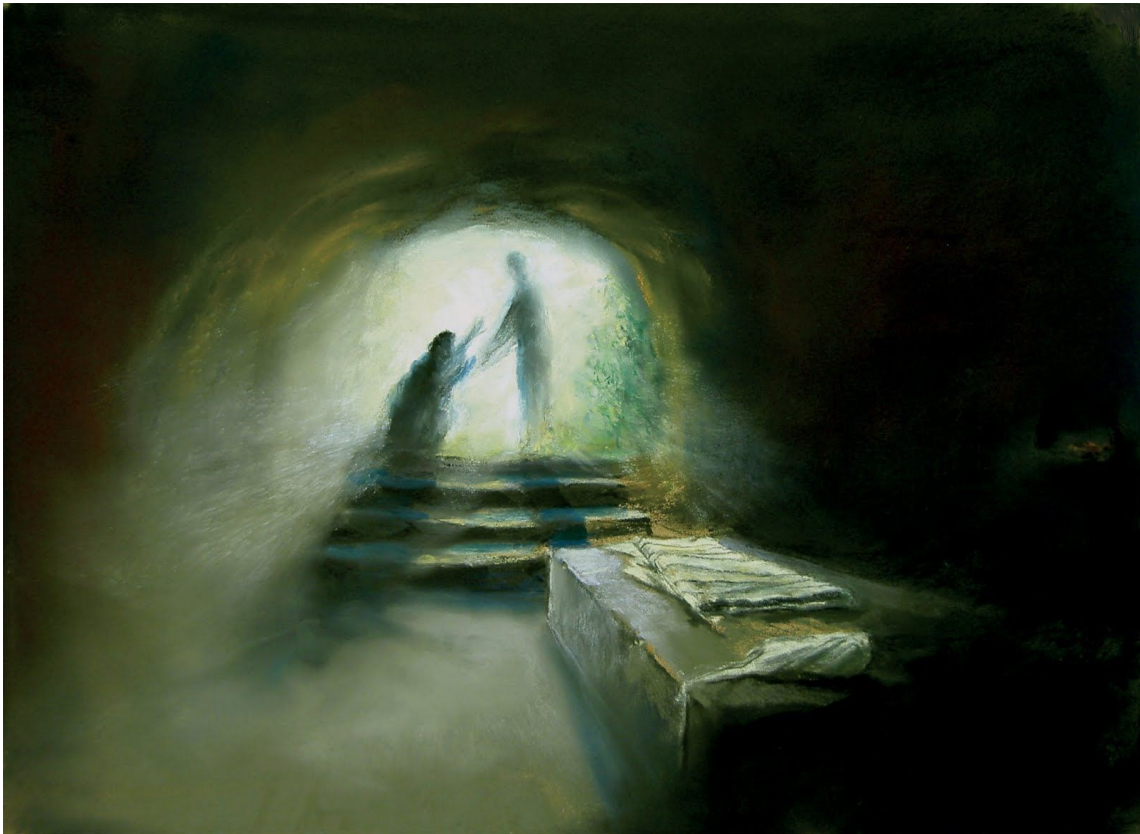


Service of Worship
April 9, 2023 | 10AM
Easter Sunday



First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Wilson, NC

First Christian Church at Worship

April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday

† *At this sign you are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

CH indicates Chalice Hymnal (red hymn book)

CP indicates Chalice Praise (purple hymn book)

Whenever any worship leader says, "Alleluia, Christ is risen!" please respond heartily with "Christ is risen indeed, Alleluia!"

Festive Prelude

Casey Childers

Toccata on Christ the Lord Is Risen Today arr. Matthew H. Corl

The Head that Once Was Crowned arr. Robert Hobby

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing arr. Lynn Trapp

Welcome and Announcements

Theresa Mathis

Chiming of the Hour

Choral Introit

Chancel Choir

Christians Celebrate and Sing arr. Lloyd Larson

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing!

Christians, celebrate and sing! Lift your voices, let them ring!

Jesus lives! O praise the King! Allelu, alleluia!

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The King of Glory lives today. Heav'n and earth, rejoice and say:

"Alleluia, alleluia! The Lord of Life, the truth and way!"

Christians, celebrate and sing! Lift your voices, let them ring!

Jesus lives! O praise the King! Allelu, alleluia!

Rejoice! Rejoice! Rejoice, give thanks and sing! Allelu, alleluia!

Baptism of Graci Brown, Rylee Jones and Reagan Jones

Rev. Jamie Brame

† Call To Worship

Andrew Whitley

Leader: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

Response: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

† Opening Hymn of Praise ***Christ the Lord Is Risen Today***

CH #216

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!
All creation, join to say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing, O heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now your sting? Alleluia!
Jesus died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where your victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!
Christ has opened paradise. Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

† Praying Together

led by Andrew Whitley

Almighty God, you who called from the grave your son, Jesus, be with us today as we worship. Fill us with your Holy Spirit. Focus our attention on the things that are yours. Heal us from the distractions that would keep us from you. Let us feel your presence today in ways that we will know and understand, in the name of the one whom you called from the grave, Amen.

Children's Moment

Jeannette Etheridge

Following the Children's Moment, children pre k-3rd grade are invited to attend Children's Sunday School in the Education Building.

Prayer Concerns

Christy Webb

Silent Prayer

(please use this time to pray for each person on the prayer list, for our homebound, and for your personal concerns)

Morning Prayer

Todd Brame

*(at the end of each prayer section, the minister will say, "God in your mercy;"
the response will be, "Hear our prayer.")*

Songs of Resurrection

Majesty!

CP #50

Majesty, worship his majesty.
Unto Jesus be all glory, honor, and praise.
Majesty, kingdom authority
flows from his throne unto his own;
His anthem raise.

So exalt, lift up on high the name of Jesus.
Magnify, come glorify Christ Jesus the King.
Majesty, worship his majesty,
Jesus who died, now glorified, Kings of all Kings.
Jesus who died, now glorified, Kings of all Kings.

Christ Arose

CH #224

Low in the grave he lay, Jesus my Savior,
waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain: 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 the saints to reign.
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!
Vainly they watch his bed, Jesus my Savior;
vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain:

Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior;
he tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord!

Refrain:

Scripture and Response

John 20: 1-18

Andrew Whitley

Leader: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Tuffy, the Easter Elkhound"

Rev. Brame

Anthem ***The Risen Christ*** Chancel Choir

O Breath of God come fill this place. Revive our hearts to know Your grace,
and from our slumber make us rise that we may know the risen Christ.

O Word of God so clear and true, Renew our minds to trust in You,
and give to us the Bread of Life that we may know the risen Christ.

O love of God so unrestrained, refresh our souls in Jesus' name.
Let us reflect Your sacrifice that we may know the risen Christ.

May God the Father God the Son and God the Spirit make us one.
In holiness let us unite that we may know the risen Christ.

Invitation to Offering Rev. Brame

Offertory Casey Childers, organ
Variation on Crown Him With Many Crowns arr. Callahan

†Doxology CH #46

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

†Blessing of the Gifts Rev. Brame

Communion Meditation Rev. Brame

Communion Prayer Christy Webb

Music for Communion Casey Childers, organ

Words of Institution Rev. Brame

†The Lord's Prayer led by Rev. Brame

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. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

†Hymn of Commitment ***Crown Him with Many Crowns***

CH #234

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

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, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.
His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

†Saying the Prayer by The Elders

led by Christy Webb

Almighty God, your love sets us free to truly love and grow.

Thank you for our church with its caring, compassionate, and serving family.

Kindle within our hearts, an underlying gratitude for strength and hope.

Give us the power to imagine our future and the courage to honor our past.

Help us build on our past, as we work together as one body.

Grant us wisdom and foresight to remain faithful during the course of our journey.

**Raise up in a transformational pastor an inner longing to hear our call to
ministry. We delight in the leadership of your spirit, Lord, as you
consider the desires of our hearts for the one who shall be our
shepherd. AMEN**

†Pastor's Blessing

Rev. Brame

Postlude

Casey Childers, organ

Sinfonia from the Cantata, "Wir Danken Dir, gott" by J.S. Bach

Translation: We thank you, God!

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In Our Prayers

Peggy Anderson; Melissa Balazsi; Donahue Bottoms, Jr. (Dalen Bottoms' son); Sherry Brenner; Win Craft (friend of Wendy & Brian Wingrove); Allan Daniell; Sam Gray (Mary Louise Gray's grandson); Rev. Carnie Hedgepeth; Lynn Hinson; Emily Johnson (Myra Powell's mother); Ronnie Langley; LaRue Massey (Kathy Sandifer's friend); Shelton McNair, Jr. (Mary Louise Gray's nephew); Henry and Sue Newcomb; Isaac Perry; Donnie Prince (friend of Allan Daniell); Jerrell Pritchett; Alesha Respass; Janet Robbins; J. C. Steelman (Theresa Mathis's father); Troy and Leigh Ann Tatum; Deanna Ujlaki; Phil & Sue Winstead; Kristy Wisniewski (friend of Christy Proctor & Melissa Denton); Our Pastoral Search Committee.

Homebound

Jim Boswell; Dalen Bottoms; Sherry Brenner; Hazel Byers; Gena Carter; Gilbert Ferrell; J.R. Gordon; Judy Harris; Nan Owens; Doug Ramsey; Lenore Smith; Alice Thomas; Charlotte Wallace; A.J. Walston; John and Mabel Whitley

Welcome!

We are delighted that you have chosen to worship with us today in person or online and hope the worship we share will prepare you for the coming week! We would be grateful if you would take a moment to provide contact information and/or feedback by email at officestaff2@fccwilson.org or calling the church office at 252-237-4125.

Announcements

Law Enforcement United's Road to Hope

You can support Kendra Howell as she continues to participate in the Law Enforcement United's Road to Hope. This annual bike ride is in memory and honor of officers who have died in the line of duty. This year's Challenge Coin will be available at church for donations of \$20 on April 23. The coin features Wilson's own Captain Reggie Smith and funds will support a college fund for his children.

Church Calendar

Today, April 9 Easter Sunday

10:00am Worship
11:00am Disciples Class
11:00am Easter Egg Hunt

Monday, April 10

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED

Tuesday, April 11

11:00am Staff Meeting
5:30pm Encounter (CANCELLED)
6:30pm Chalice Ringers (CANCELLED)

Wednesday, April 12

7:00pm Chancel Choir (CANCELLED)

Thursday, April 13

6:30pm Elder's Meeting (CANCELLED)

Sunday April 16

10:00am Worship
11:00am Disciples Class

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Casey Childers *Organist and Minister of Music*

Charles Cauley *Interim Office Administrator*

Connie Farris *Financial Secretary*



First Christian Church Easter Lily Tributes April 9, 2023



Given By

Jo Ann Brewer Bass

Helen Batts

Martha Beland

Renaë and Jamie Brame

Barbara T. Brinson and Family

Allan and Libby Daniell (our parents)

Jeannette and Glenn Etheridge

Gilbert Ferrell

Julia Floars

John and Annette Glover

Sonja Jordan Holton

Debby B. Keller & Jim Boswell, Jr.

Nancy Lamm

Wade, Phyllis, Emily and Gray Leary

In Memory of

Mr. & Mrs. Elmo Hardison
John Hardison

David Batts

John Beland
O. B. Beland, Jr.

Helen Humphries Shytle

Ron Tomlinson
Lennis Brinson

James and JoAnne Daniell
Ernest and Emma Patterson

L.G. and Martha Etheridge
Ira P. and Ruth Norfolk

Sue Ferrell

Ed Floars

B. F. and Mary Bryant Glover
Paul and Martha Barefoot
Judi Glover

Betty Jordan

Mozelle Woodall Boswell

Don Lamm
"Lambchops" Lamm

Thorp and Ruth Smith
Bill and Mag Leary
Gay Heath
Dale Leary
Ruth Farmer



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Given By

Jo Jo Near

Kathy Creech Sandifer

Tish and David Scott

Phyllis and Tommy Snipes
Rosa and Hunter Fanney, II

Frances and Jim Sutton

In Memory of

John Beland
O. B. (Coonie) Beland
Elwood (Woody) Near

Glannis Narron Creech (mother)
Sis N. Bailey (great grandmother)
Alma B. Narron (grandmother)
Pearlie N. Creech (grandmother)

Pat and Bobby Hackney
Wanda and Ralph Scott

Jewell and Hunter Fanney
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Horace and Gerry Stott



First Christian Church Easter Lily Tributes April 9, 2023



Given By

Cecilia Avery

Helen Batts

Todd, Jamie and Renae Brame

Allan and Libby Daniell (our children)

Friends

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Henry and Sue Newcomb

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Tish and David Scott

Alice Thomas

In Honor of

Helen Batts

Martha Beland

Jim Boswell

Alice Davis

Charlotte Wallace

Cecilia Avery

Charles and Gilda Cauley

Joy Butler

Lyn & Erika Owens—Daniela & Eric

Shawn & Laura Owens—Zachery & Abby

Travis & Grayson Moore—Hannah

William and LuAnn Wooten

Helen Batts

James M. (Jim) Boswell

Our Church Family

Our Military

Casey and Andrew Childers

Martha Beland

Kathy Sandifer

Helen Batts

Alice Thomas

Dianne Boyette (aunt)

Elgie Creech (aunt)

Laura, Alex, Campbell and Noah Richardson

Margaret and Nick Bilotto

Kathy Sandifer

Jamie and Renae Brame



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April 9, 2023**



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William and LuAnn Wooten

In Memory of

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wooten
Mr. Bill Davis
Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Wooten, Jr.
Mr. S. A. Wooten, III

Given By

William and LuAnn Wooten

In Honor of

Mrs. Alice Davis
Our children and grandchildren