

Second Sunday of Easter

12 April 2026 • 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." – John 20:29b

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" (from *Messiah*) G. F. Handel

Choral Introit "O Come, Let Us Sing Unto The Lord" Donald Moore

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

Great is the mystery of faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.

But thanks be to God who gives us the victory

through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christ is risen!

He is risen, indeed. Alleluia!

***Hymn 254** "That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright" PURE NOBIS NASCITUR

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Eternal God, your Word teaches us that whether we live or whether we die, we are yours. Forgive us for forgetting your gracious promise of life. We live in fear, thinking death has the final say. We follow our own ways rather than your life-giving path in Jesus Christ. Help us put our trust in you, our God who has the power of life over death. We believe, Lord; help our unbelief. In the name of Jesus Christ, risen from the dead never to die again, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

***Response 581** "Glory Be to the Father" GLORIA PATRI

*Passing of the Peace

First Lesson: Peter Bears Witness to the Resurrection Acts 2:14a, 22-32

Choral Anthem "This Joyful Eastertide" arr. Robert J. Powell

A Prayer for Children

Second Lesson: The Risen Jesus Appears to the Disciples

John 20:19-31

Sermon "The Church Transitions to a New Way of Knowing Jesus" David Garnett

***Hymn 255** "O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing" O FILII FILIAE

***Affirmation of Faith** (*unison*) Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving

Offerings to Trinity Presbyterian Church

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn 244** "This Joyful Eastertide" VRUECHTEN

*Charge and Blessing

Postlude "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" arr. by Wilbur Held

* *Please stand, in body or spirit.*

This morning's liturgy, written by Philip K. Gladden, is provided for free distribution by the *Presbyterian Outlook*.

LITURGIST: Vickie Hugger

CHOIR SECTION LEADERS: Katie Cilluffo
(*soprano*), Claire Crook (*alto*), Eric McAnallen
(*tenor*), Jonathan Thomas (*bass/baritone*)

FLOWERS: Given by Debbie Kozen in memory of
her beloved late husband, Gary Kozen.

PROJECTIONS: Catherine Langsdorf, Russ
Russell, Bud Weeks

LIVESTREAM: Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner,
Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker, Paul Soltesz

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE: 184

This congregation welcomes you without regard to race, ethnicity, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, physical or mental ability, education, economic circumstance, your place of origin or any other issue that divides God's family. We are Christ's people, and this is Christ's place with its doors wide open. If you are passing through, Godspeed. If you are looking for a worship home, stay with us. We invite visitors to join us, but most of all, to return often.



Calendar for the Week of April 12-19, 2026

TODAY (April 12)

8:30 a.m. – Worship Service

- 9:45 a.m. – Learning Hour for Adults & Youth: “The Bible on Stage & Screen”
- 10:00 a.m. – Children’s Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

- 12:15 p.m. – Matthew 25 Ministry
- 5:00 p.m. – ManKind Project

MONDAY (April 13)

- 9:00 a.m. – Finance Team
- 10:30 a.m. – New Member Ministry
- 4:00 p.m. – Tai Chi
- 5:30 p.m. – Local Mission Ministry
- 6:30 p.m. – Session

TUESDAY (April 14)

- 9:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting
- 10:00 a.m. – Coffee Group
- 2:30 p.m. – Origami Group
- 3:30 p.m. – Deacons

WEDNESDAY (April 15)

- 10:00 a.m. – Friends in Christ
- 3:30 p.m. – Earth Care (Zoom)
- 5:30 p.m. – WNL Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. – Wednesday Night Live
Concert: Andy Jurik

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY (April 16)

- 9:00 a.m. – Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal
- 2:00 p.m. – Presbyterian Women Spring Gathering
- 6:30 p.m. – Cub Scout Pack 620

FRIDAY (April 17)

- 9:30 a.m. – Feed the Kids Team

SATURDAY (April 18)

- 10:00 a.m. – Hendo Earth Fest

SUNDAY (April 19)

8:30 a.m. – Worship Service

- 9:40 a.m. – “The Eagle and the Condor Unite” – Documentary Film Screening
- 10:00 a.m. – Children’s Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. – Choir Rehearsal

11:00 a.m. – Worship Service

- 5:00 p.m. – ManKind Project

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PRAYER CONCERNS

In sympathy: Harriet Bechtel and family on the death of Ted Bechtel. *Hospice:* Art Wayboer. *Rehab/Nursing:* Don Robinson (Life Care); Alice McCullough, Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Nugent Sharp (The Oaks, Brevard); Jack Caylor (HHR); Don Widmayer (Florida); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Nell Payne (Brooks-Howell). *Home:* Patty Arcia (friend of the Sánchezes); Barbara Pickwoad; Sarah Ogide (John Wright's daughter); Leslie Nissen; Dave Gilbert; Helen Dearborn; Nancy Twitchen; Irene Lunsford (Dolly & Nancy's sister); Brenda Nelson; Bob Miles; Donnie Thompson (the Kuykendolls' nephew); T. K. Owens; Evans Thibodeau; and Kim & Jason Ball. *Others:* Immigrants and those who are fearful or in hiding; our ministry partners in Guatemala, including Iglesia E. Nacional Presbiteriana Fuente De Vida; people in war-torn areas of the world; and those harmed by gun violence and anti-LGBTQ+ legislation.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

"The Bible on Stage & Screen": This morning at 9:45, adults and youth are invited to a lighthearted Learning Hour class on representations of the Bible in film.

Classical Guitarist Andy Jurik returns to Wednesday Night Live on April 15. Dinner will be served at 5:30, with the concert at 6:30 – to reserve a place for dinner, please sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Presbyterian Women's Spring Gathering Birthday Party takes place on Thursday, April 16, at 2:00 p.m. Please join us for

refreshments and birthday stories; we will also receive the PW Birthday Offering. Please sign up in the narthex.

Hendo Earth Fest takes place on Saturday, April 18, 10:00-3:00, and Trinity will have a tent – come and visit us! If you'd like to help, please see Enrique Sánchez or any member of the Earth Care Ministry.

The Eagle and the Condor Unite:

Documentary Film Screening. On Sunday, April 19, *beginning at 9:40 a.m.*, all are invited to view the documentary *The Eagle and the Condor Unite - A Story of Climate Restoration*, which addresses the subject of climate restoration through art, indigenous wisdom, spirituality, and emerging technologies. The film offers a message of hope for restoring the climate.

Further ahead: Trinity's Spring Work Day is Saturday, April 25, 9:00 to noon; mission partners Andy and Ellen Collins will speak on Sunday, April 26, at 9:45 a.m.

SPECIAL NOTICES

A warm welcome to Brethren Disaster Ministries! Until early June, volunteers with Brethren Disaster Ministries will be in western North Carolina rebuilding houses damaged by Hurricane Helene. During this time, we will host their teams here at Trinity; so if you see some new faces in the coming weeks, please make them feel welcomed!

Caution: Tree Rescue on April 13. For your safety, please do *not* park in the lower front parking lot on Monday, April 13, as we'll be having some major tree work performed to save a beautiful ancient oak. Thank you!