

Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord

5 April 2026 • 8:30 and 11:00 A.M.

"Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me." – Matthew 28:10

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today" arr. Robert A. Hobby

Choral Introit "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" arr. Lloyd Larson

Call to Worship (*responsive*)

On Friday, we thought the good news had been silenced.

On Friday, we thought the good news had taken its last breath.

On Friday, we thought the good news had been buried.

But today, we know the good news is alive and well.

The good news is dancing!

The good news is on the loose!

The good news is out in the world, calling your name!

Alleluia! Even death has lost its sting.

So let us worship the one who brings and embodies the good news.

***Hymn 238** "Thine Is the Glory" JUDAS MACCABEUS

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*unison*)

Gracious God, we want to shout your good news from the rooftops. We want to follow the disciples, who ran to look for you. We want to follow the angels, who said, "Be not afraid." But we are afraid, and we don't know where to look. So forgive us, for we are imperfect: we are good intentions and best-laid plans; we're an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias"; we're on our way, but we're not there yet. Show us how to embody your good news in this world; show us how to be your people. With hope for tomorrow, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer and Assurance of Pardon

***Song of Praise 582** "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"

***Passing of the Peace**

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Invitation to Giving Offerings to Trinity and The One Great Hour of Sharing†

First Lesson: Peter Shares the Good News Acts 10:34-43

Choral Anthem "On the Third Day" Allen Pote

A Prayer for Children

Second Lesson: The Resurrection of Jesus Matthew 28:1-10

Sermon "Alive in the World" Dwight Christenbury

*Affirmation of Faith (*unison*)

I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. It sounds like welcome and feels like home. It sounds like laughter and feels like mercy. It sounds like love and feels like a seat at the table, so I believe in the good news of Jesus Christ. I have seen it alive in the world. And even when my heart aches, even when wars rage, even when mercy feels out of reach, I remember the one who welcomed the children and led with nonviolence. I remember the one who cared for the vulnerable and inspired those around him. I remember that the good news really is good news, for I have seen it alive in the world. Thanks be to God! Amen.

***Hymn 251 (verses 1-3)** "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

***Hymn 251 (verses 4-5)** "Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia" MFURAHINI, HALELUYA

*Charge and Blessing

***Congregational Response** "Hallelujah!" (from *Messiah*) G. F. Handel
(Copies may be found in the pew rack.)

* Please stand, in body or spirit.

† Please place One Great Hour of Sharing offerings in the labeled basket. Place cash in one of the pew rack envelopes, marked with your name, to ensure that you receive credit for your gift.

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LITURGIST: Mel Bringle

PROJECTIONS: Catherine Langsdorf, Russ Russell, Bud Weeks

LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE: 171

LIVESTREAM: Duane Johnson, Jim Kisner,

Conrad Shannon, Jim Smelker, Paul Soltesz

FLOWERS: Please see the Easter Lily dedications on the enclosed insert.

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 5-12, 2026

TODAY (April 5)

8:30 a.m.: Worship Service

9:45 a.m.: Easter Brunch

11:00 a.m.: Worship Service

5:00 p.m.: ManKind Project

11:00 a.m.: *Between the Lines* Social

Justice Book Group (Zoom)

1:30 p.m.: Trinity Book Group

3:30 p.m.: Tai Chi (private lessons)

4:00 p.m.: Tai Chi

6:30 p.m.: Stewardship Committee

MONDAY (April 6)

Office Closed

9:00 a.m.: Finance Team

3:30 p.m.: Tai Chi (private lessons)

4:00 p.m.: Tai Chi

7:00 p.m.: Building & Grounds
Ministry (Zoom)

SATURDAY (April 11)

11:00 a.m.: Memorial Service for Ben
and Connie Moore

SUNDAY (April 12)

8:30 a.m.: Worship Service

9:45 a.m.: Learning Hour for Adults &
Youth: "Easter 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: Matthew 25 Ministry (hybrid)

TUESDAY (April 7)

9:30 a.m.: Staff Meeting

10:00 a.m.: Coffee Group

4:00 p.m.: Global Missions Ministry

5:30 p.m.: Deborah Circle (Zoom)

WEDNESDAY (April 8)

10:00 a.m.: Esther Circle

10:00 a.m.: Friends in Christ

4:00 p.m.: Wise Women Network

4:00 p.m.: Finance Ministry (Zoom)

7:30 p.m.: Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY (April 9)

9:00 a.m.: Musicke Antiqua Rehearsal

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PRAYER CONCERNS

Hospice: Art Wayboer. *Rehab/Nursing*: Don Robinson (Life Care); Alice McCullough, Neena Haskins (Sunnybrook); Nugent Sharp, Jack Caylor (HHR); Don Widmayer (Florida); Ruth Mills (CV Care Center); Nell Payne (Brooks-Howell). *Home*: Patty Arcia (friend of the Sánchezes); Cynthia Moser; Barbara Pickwood; Sarah Ogide (John Wright's daughter); Evelyn Christensen (Mary Louise & Betty's sister); Leslie Nissen; Dave Gilbert; Helen Dearborn; Nancy Twitchen; Marty Roller; 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

We will hold a memorial service for Ben and Connie Moore on Saturday, April 11, at 11:00 a.m. A reception will follow the service.

"Easter on Stage & Screen": On Sunday, April 12, at 9:45, adults and youth are invited to a lighthearted Learning Hour class on representations of Easter in popular culture.

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*. More information coming soon!

SPECIAL NOTICES

The church office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, April 6.

A warm welcome to Brethren Disaster Ministries! From Tuesday, April 7, until early June, volunteers with Brethren Disaster Ministries, in cooperation with our local chapter of Habitat for Humanity, 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!

Easter Lily Dedications

Marty Zigovsky and Marina Hirschfield,

in memory of Katherine Zigovsky, mother and fabulous grandmother

in memory of Mary Tausinger

in honor of Patricia Zigovsky

in honor of Tillie Zigovsky

John and Pam Villanti, with affection for the Villanti
and Lightner families

Margaret Bolick, in honor of her loving family,
here and in heaven

David and Margaret Kennedy, in memory of our parents

Marsha Covington-Riggsbee, in loving honor of the
Covington/Beane family

Bud and Sandy Weeks, in honor of all our many friends
at Trinity! God bless you!

Glenn and Linda Walker, in memory of their son Daniel

Joy Guenther, in memory of her brother, Sherwood Johnson

Nell Payne, in honor of her parents, Eugenia and
Malcolm Gardner

Bill Payne, in honor of his parents, Louise and William Payne

Paul and Claire Crook, in honor of their mothers, Sylvia Crook
and Gladys Donway, and son, Greg

Kathie Van Itallie, in memory of Fred Van Itallie

Jan Prichard, in memory of her beloved husband, Ted

Christine and Dick Bobb,

in memory of John Cromarty

in memory of Betty Bobb

Gayle Hoverson, in memory of Ronald Hoverson

Linda Berquist, in honor of her parents in the columbarium, Odd and Irene Solbakken
and Bill and Jane Swafford



... with thanksgiving and celebration!