†HYMN #113 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

CALL TO CONFESSION

### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Risen Lord, we have seen the empty tomb, and yet we sometimes act as if we have seen nothing. Why must we continue in fear? Why must we abe afraid of death even after its defeat? Yes, this is a glorious day of mirth and song, but forgive us when we are quick to forget its Good News. Help us be a people of resurrection not just on this day but all days. Fill our hearts with your resurrection promise of life that we might turn from sin and be renewed. Eliminate from us the fear of sin that we might tell this glad story - that Christ is risen, he is risen, indeed! This we pray in the name of your Risen Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## THE WORD

TIME WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH Jen Jammer

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Behold the Risen Savior Larson

(Vicki Hogan, soprano)

†DOXOLOGY "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."

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SERMON

GOSPEL READING John 20:1-18

Anthem Alleluia, Joyfully Sing Besig

(Chancel Choir)

A Good Enough Faith Rev. Chip Stapleton

# **RESPONSE**

†Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table
Breaking of the Bread & Words of Institution
Prayer after Communion

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Reckless Love/Death Was Arrested (Second Mile Praise Band)

### **SENDING**

Song What A Beautiful Name (Second Mile Praise Band)

†Benediction

A Blessing for those who are being planted

†POSTLUDE Sound the Trumpet Peterson Dylan Quick, trumpet

# **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Chip Stapleton, Senior Minister Pam Langston, Dir. of Music Ministries Jen Jammer, Dir. of Children's Ministry Chris Jackson, Dir. of Youth Ministry



Church offices and buildings will be closed on Monday, April 18th, for staff to celebrate Easter. No Wednesday Night Dinner or activities on April 20th. We'll see you again Wednesday, April 27th!





# **Music Notes for Today, Easter Sunday**

After a solemn 40 days of Lent, today is a time of celebration! Our Easter worship experience will be enriched by 2nd Mile, guest trumpeter Dylan Quick, our Chancel Choir, the Highland Ringers, and soprano Vicki Hogan. The alleluias of "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!" will fill the sanctuary as choir, congregation, handbells, trumpet, and organ join together to proclaim the joy of this most important festival day of the Christian Church. It's a celebration of the triumph of life over death! May the music that we play and the songs that we sing be a sincere sacrifice of praise to God on this glorious Easter morning!

Alleluia!

# Notes on the opening hymn:

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today!"
Originally titled "Hymn for Easter Day," Charles Wesley published the well-loved hymn, "Christ the Lord is Risen Today!" in 1739 - the year he was converted. There are eleven verses, but only four in the 1990 Presbyterian Hymnal. It is sung to the tune LLANFAIR, composed by Robert Williams in 1817. Williams lived in the British Isles and was a blind basket weaver with a great innate musical ability. It continues to be a blessing to churches across the world as congregations large and small lift their voices to proclaim the resurrection of Christ!





# **PW Honorary Life Membership**

We'd like to recognize this year's recipients of the Presbyterian Women's Honorary Life Membership

# Linda Clark Holden and Joyce Sorensen

Linda has served on the Session, been on the Learning Center board, tutored years ago, member of food and fellowship, and Wedding Guild. Joyce has been a Stephen minister, Food and Fellowship chair, tutored years ago, and is active in circle and Sunday school.

# **Presbyterian Women's Spring Gathering**

The PW Spring Gathering and Mission Day was held on Saturday, April 9th. While not the usual separate events as in the past, the day held true to the spirit of each occasion - fellowship and Christian love for others. Thank you to all who attended or who were able to participate in some way. You are appreciated.

#### Officers for 2022-2023

Moderator - Elaine Bryant Hayes
Vice Moderator - Marjorie Summerfield
Secretary - Amanda Harrell
Treasurer/Spiritual Nurture - Candee Bryan
Missions/Historian - Lindsay Howard

## ROAD CLOSED

The side-driveway leading out from the Highland Learning Center to Arsenal Road is closed for the next few weeks due to playground construction. We apologize for any inconvenience. Thank you.



# YOUTH

## **SOCKED Fundraiser**

continues throughout April
Torment your neighbors and friends! Help us raise money
to support our ASP team!
Thanks to everyone who has supported this fundraiser so far!

# NO Youth Group this Sunday

Happy Easter, and Enjoy Spring Break! We'll be back to regular schedule next Sunday at 6pm

### **Chick-Fil-A Breakfast**

No 6:45 breakfast next week (April 20) We will still meet at 7:30 for my private school friends @ Chick-Fil-A on Raeford Rd

# **Youth Sunday (Graduation and Confirmation)**

May 15, Combined Service at 11:00 Celebrate our Graduates, Covenant with our Confirmands, and support all our youth as they lead us in worship.

> ~Chris Jackson Director of Youth and Worship Ministries chris@hpchurch.org Mobile 910-309-3030

# ~~~PASTORAL CONCERNS~~~

We ask that you keep our home-bound in your thoughts and prayers.

P.W. and Martha Jessup
Jean Robinson
Lisa Hitt
(daughter of Gayle McDonald)
Charlotte Ingram
June Marie Smith

Gayle McDonald

Noel Harris
Norman Blakely
Steve & Orion Gaynos
Madie Rae Locklear
("Grandma" to the Guy Family)
Lib Yarborough
Bill Johnson

Please let us know if you have concerns that you think the church should know about. Please limit to close-extended family. We will put their names (and relation to you if you desire) in the email update. The names will be removed after a few weeks unless requested otherwise. Thank you.

Kelli Lujan 401-0928 or email kellilu@gmail.com



# SHARING GOD'S LOVE

# **GATHERING**

Prelude Easter Joy Behnke

**EASTER GREETING** 

EASTER ACCLAMATION

One: Alleluia, The Lord is Risen!

All: He is risen indeed, Alleluia!

One: Welcome to worship with us at Highland Presbyterian Church on this wonderful Easter resurrection morning!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

One: The stone has been rolled away.

All: The grave clothes are lying in a heap.

One: The body is gone.

All: Mary's weeping is halted by the man's questions:

One: Why are you crying?

All: Who is it you are looking for?
One: Let us proclaim with Mary:

All: We have seen the risen Lord!

One: Christ is Risen!

All: He is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah! Amen.

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER