

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 8, 2018

11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"It is the grand truth that in all that Jesus came to say and do, including and especially in His atoning suffering and sacrifice, He was showing us who and what God our Eternal Father is like, how completely devoted He is to His children in every age and nation. In word and in deed Jesus was trying to reveal and make personal to us the true nature of His Father, our Father in Heaven."

"The Grandeur of God" by Jeffrey R. Holland

The Gathering of the People

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

Good Christian All, Rejoice and Sing!

Vivian Hare

Vulpius/arr. Holstein

***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Leader: Christ is risen!

People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Leader: Come let us worship and give thanks to the living God.

People: **God's resurrection power knows no barriers, no limits, and no ultimate constraints. Alleluia!**

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

GTG# 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

(ALLELUIA NO. 1)

***THE PRAYER OF ADORATION (Unison) Barbara Griswold**

God, we thank you that in Christ's resurrection we, too, are renewed and transformed. Like the butterfly, we emerge from our cocoons, from the grave clothes that have bound us – our prejudices, our fears, our anger, our loneliness – and we fly free, free to worship, free to love, free to make peace and work for justice, free to serve. And we give you thanks that in our turbulent world, in these troubled times, your living presence guides and sustains us on our journey. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

***THE GLORIA**

(GTG#582)

*Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.*

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

World without end, without end. Amen.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

The Proclamation of the Word

A TIME FOR THE CHILD IN US ALL Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

All those children and youth who are present are invited to come forward at this time. After, children six and under, may go to the nursery. Children's worship bags are available for older children in the Narthex of the Church to use during the service.

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Barbara Griswold

A UNISON READING FROM THE EPISTLES:

Barbara Griswold

1 John 1:1-4

We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life-this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us-we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

THE ANTHEM

These Things Did Thomas Count as Real (#256)

Troeger/Dare

The Chapel Choir

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS:

John 20:19-31

THE MESSAGE

Rev. Grace Boyer

Unlocked Doors

The Response to the Word

***THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

GTG #817

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

DUNLAP'S CREEK

***THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)**

Barbara Griswold

(From the Iona Community)

We believe that God is present in the darkness before dawn;
in the waiting and uncertainty where fear and courage join
hands, conflict and caring link arms, and the sun rises over
barbed wire.

We believe in a with-us God who sits down in our midst to share
our humanity.

We affirm a faith that takes us beyond the safe place:
into action, into vulnerability and into the streets.

We commit ourselves to work for change and put ourselves
on the line; to bear responsibility, take risks, live powerfully
and face humiliation; to stand with those on the edge; to choose
life and be used by the Spirit for God's new community of Hope.
Amen

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Dance and Sing

Songs from the Iona Abbey

***THE DOXOLOGY (Duke Street)**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God for all that love has done;
Creator, Christ, and Spirit, One.*

***THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

The Sending

***THE HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

GTG #257

The Risen Christ

(WOODLANDS)

***THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***THE CHORAL BLESSING**

CELTIC ALLELUIA
(Choir first, followed by congregation)

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

GTG#587

O'Carroll

***POSTLUDE**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today! Alleluia *Buxtehude*

*Please stand as you are able

CHAPEL STAFF

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt, Minister
Rev. Grace Boyer, Associate in Ministry
Donna Eagle Joslin, Church Administrator
Vivian Hare, Director of Music, Organist
Ray Stock, Jerry Vaneman, Treasurers
Alisa White, Assistant Treasurer
Nan Woodard, Bookkeeper

THE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ushers: **Nancy Allen, Mike & Pat Levi, Catherine Showalter**

Liturgist: **Barbara Griswold**

Coffee Hour Hosts: **Larry & Barbara Griswold**

Elder of the Week: **Nancy Garrison**



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WELCOME VISITORS! We are pleased to have you with us this morning. We invite you to join us for a cup of coffee after the service, and to stop by our Visitors Information Station in the Narthex. There you will find copies of recent newsletters and sermons, and a welcome packet that will tell you more about who we are, what we believe, and what we do. Thanks for joining us for worship today, and we hope to see you again soon!

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR

PRAYERS: Pat Crumpler; Milt Butterworth; Bill Corbin; Donna Eagle Joslin; Charles Bradley, Doug Bradley's father; Barbara Higgins; Dr. Steven Williams and Mary Moorrees.

CHURCH SCHOOL AND NURSERY Our adult and children's Sunday School begin at 9:45 in the CE building beyond Ransom Fellowship Hall. The nursery is available from 9:30-12:30.

ADULT EDUCATION April 8-29 "To Stand Again: Practices for the Resurrected Life". Video discussion series that explores what difference the resurrection makes in our lives, and asks the question, "How can one survive the destructive powers of this world?"

SPIRITUAL NURTURE GROUP Check out the Spiritual Nurture group which meets tomorrow, Monday evening, at 7:00 in the Parlor.

NURSERY BRIGADE A Sign-up Sheet is now available for the Spring Quarter of the Nursery Brigade and is available in the Narthex. Consider reading to the children when they return to the nursery. The contact we have between our adults and children provides a solid foundation for their lives now and in the years ahead.

LITURGICAL ARTS TEAM Have you enjoyed our Lenten prayer stations? Would you like to help us find new and creative ways to enrich our worship experience? Then please consider joining us for the next visioning session of the Liturgical Arts Team. We will meet in the fellowship hall following worship today, April 8th. We will provide lunch. Just bring your ideas!!

ABCCM COMMITMENT: Since ABCCM was organized in Asheville our faith community has continually supported various programs of this organization. Presently we have teams that periodically work in the Veterans Restoration Quarters in Oteen as well as the clothing room and soup kitchen of the Crisis Center in downtown Asheville. The time has come for some members of the "soup kitchen team" to retire their food preparation skills. If we are to continue this particular commitment at the Crisis Center, replacements for these kitchen volunteers will quickly have to be in place. The need is not for occasional kitchen help but rather a firm monthly commitment to be responsible for having an on-site lunch prepared for 75-100+ clients. For more information call John Laney (298-2344).

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At Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church we are mothers and fathers, single and married, gay and straight, young and old, black and white, prosperous and poor, uncertain and sure, broken and whole-and everything in between. Together we are the many faces of humanity, yet as a joyful, caring and loving community of faith. we are one in Christ!