

Warren Wilson Presbyterian Church
and College Chapel

SERVICE OF WORSHIP

3rd Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

11:00 a.m.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Resurrection: It's about radical transformation and new life. It's about disaster and even death as the doorways for redemption. It's about apparent failure and ultimate success. It's about vivid appearances and unsuspected realities. It's about having these treasures in earthen vessels

Tom Morris, Philosopher

The Gathering of the People

THE GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE PRELUDE

Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain

Vivian Hare

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***THE CALL TO WORSHIP**

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

Leader: Come, praise God all you faithful people.
Come, for God welcomes everyone into the fold.

People: We will praise God with reverence and joy!

Leader: Come, praise God you who are not certain.
Come, for God is bigger than your doubts.

People: We will praise God with wonder and longing.

Leader: Come, let us praise God in our diversity.
Come, for even in our differences, we are one family!

All: Let us worship God!

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE**

GTG# 248

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!

HYMN TO JOY

***THE PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Wondrous God, present with us when we do not know it, valuing us when we do not care for ourselves, open our eyes to recognize you here. May we sense your presence next to us. May we hear your voice inside of us. May we know your touch. May we see you in one another and in the beauty all around us. May your reality emerge deep inside each life, transforming our thoughts and deeds and our relationship with one another.

Through Christ we pray (silent prayer. . .)

***THE 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. Grace Boyer

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

A READING FROM THE PSALMS

Psalm 8

THE ANTHEM

What is the World Like

GTG#771

The Chapel Choir

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 24:36-48

THE MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Steve Runholt

If At First You Don't Believe

The Response to the Word

***THE HYMN OF PROCLAMATION**

GTG #231

Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

SUO GAN

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

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the church.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE CANDLES OF CELEBRATION AND CONCERN

At this time, please feel free to light a candle of celebration or concern for your loved ones. If you wish, you may step to the microphone and share these with the congregation.

THE GIFTS OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

THE OFFERTORY

Air

Bousset

***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

In the Bulb There Is a Flower
PROMISE

GTG #250

*THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*THE CHORAL BLESSING

ALLELUIA
CELTIC ALLELUIA
(Choir first, followed by congregation)

GTG#587

O'Carroll

Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!

*POSTLUDE

My Inmost Heart Now Raises

J.C. Bach

*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: **Jack Ballard, Shawn Wolf, Sally Broughton, Toby Ives.**

Liturgist:

Coffee Hour Hosts: **Vicki Collins**
Elder of the Week: **Kay Stockdale**



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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 Schools 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?"

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.

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).

HEBRON: a documentary film by Yousef Natsha, will be shown on Thursday April 19 at the Black Mountain Presbyterian Church 5:30-7:00 pm. The 40 minute film is by a Palestinian native who tells the story of his community and will be followed by a panel discussion including the filmmaker, Christian Peacemaker Team members, and an Israeli-American veteran of the Israeli Army. This is co-sponsored by Just Peace for Israel Palestine. To RSVP for the optional \$8 meal call 828-669-2725 by Tuesday April 17 or go online to <https://goo.gl/73X2nr>

WORKING WHEELS: Do you have an extra car that needs to find a new home? Imagine how difficult your life would be without a car! Working Wheels (formerly Wheels4Hope Asheville) repairs and recycles donated cars, transforming them into working wheels for working families. The process is simple and the donation is tax deductible. We also need volunteer drivers and mechanics. To donate or volunteer, please call (828) 633-6888 or visit www.workingwheelswnc.org.

IMMIGRATION LUNCH: Coming up either April 29th or May 6th.

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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!