

UNIVERSITY



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

April 8, 2018
Second Sunday of Easter

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

THE GATHERING

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Will Willimon
b. 1946

The most eloquent testimony to the reality of the resurrection is not an empty tomb or a well-orchestrated pageant on Easter Sunday but rather a group of people whose life together is so radically different, so completely changed from the way the world builds a community, that there can be no explanation other than that something decisive has happened in history.

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Johann Sebastian Bach
1685-1750

Prelude in G Major BWV 541

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please sign the Worship Register and pass it on to your neighbor.

MOMENT FOR THE MISSION STUDY

*OPENING SENTENCES

Romans 6: 3, 4, 8, 10

One: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?

All: Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

One: If we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him.

All: The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God.

One: So we also must consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

*HYMN 485

“We Know That Christ Is Raised”

Engelberg

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Unsettling Savior,
We imagine your peace as a private blessing
meant to ease our troubled hearts.**

**Instead your peace is restless
to flow *through* us,
to make its reconciling way in the world.**

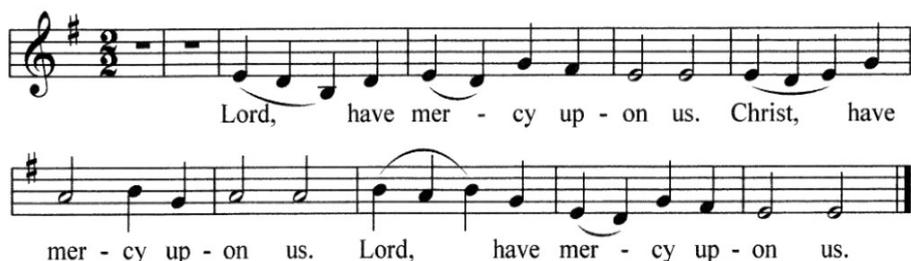
**Speak then your Word, again,
and breathe on us your Spirit,
until we move beyond the doors of our comfort,
and into the world you love.**

(silent prayer)

*Silent Confession

*Kyrie Eleison

Arr. David N. Johnson



Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have
mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

*The Peace

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: **And also with you.**

*The congregation is invited to exchange the peace of Christ
with one another, greeting each other with the words above.*

*Response of Praise

(Hymnal, 485)

**A new creation comes
to life and grows
as Christ's new body takes
on flesh and blood.
The universe, restored
and whole, will sing: Alleluia!**

Presentation of Bibles to Third and Fourth Graders Isaiah 43:1-3, CEB

**But now, says the Lord—
the one who created you, Jacob,
the one who formed you, Israel:
Don't fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name; you are mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
when through the rivers, they won't sweep over you.
When you walk through the fire, you won't be scorched
and flame won't burn you.
I am the Lord your God,
the holy one of Israel, your savior.**

SERMON “Marks of the Church” Margaret LaMotte Torrence

*Time is provided following the sermon for a
few moments of personal reflection and prayer.*

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Declaration of Faith

**The church’s story with God did not end
with the latest events recorded in Scripture.
Across the centuries the company of believers
has continued its pilgrimage with the Lord of history.
It is a record of faith and faithlessness, glory and shame.**

We confess we are heirs of this whole story.

**We are charged to remember our past,
to be warned and encouraged by it,
but not to live it again.**

Now is the time of our testing

as God’s story with the church moves forward through us.

We are called to live now as God’s servants

in the service of people everywhere.

*HYMN 817 “We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight” *Dunlap’s Creek*

THE THANKSGIVING

*Offertory Sentence

At the Offering,

An Aria from MESSIAH George Frideric Handel
Kathleen Jasinskas, *soprano* 1685-1759

I know that my redeemer liveth
and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth;
and though worms destroy this body,
yet in my flesh shall I see God.

For now is Christ risen from the dead,
the first fruits of them that sleep.

~ Job 19:25,26; 1 Corinthians 15:20

*Doxology

Lasst uns erfreuen

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below, Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory,
forever. Amen.**

THE SENDING

*HYMN 246

“Christ Is Alive!”

Truro

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*ORGAN POSTLUDE

**You are invited to stand, as able.*



Welcome to the Fellowship of University Presbyterian Church

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDCARE is available during both worship services for infants, toddlers and preschool children, who will be welcomed by our trained nursery staff. Infants are welcome in the Sanctuary, but the parlor is a wonderful place to calm an anxious baby. A special part of our service is the Time with Children, when they are invited to come to the front of the Sanctuary for a message that connects the worship of the day with their unique understanding.

DURING THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE, UPC offers Godly Play for kindergarteners and children who are age four (as of September 1). This is a time of storytelling and creative play. Following the Time with Children, kindergarteners and four-year-olds go with the Godly Play Assistant through the door to the left of the pulpit to the Godly Play room.

WE WELCOME AND EMBRACE ALL CHILDREN and strive to provide skilled caregivers to accommodate any special needs. Please contact the Staff Associate for Children's Ministries, Nancy Myer, at nancy@upcch.org or (919) 929-2102 if there is anything we can do to enhance the Sunday morning experience for your entire family.

THE WORSHIP BULLETIN, the weekly calendar, the announcements and UPC's newsletter are posted on the church Website at www.upcch.org.

Worship Notes

AS A COURTESY TO OTHERS, please turn off or silence all cellular phones, pagers, and other electronic devices for the duration of worship.

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP TODAY: *Preacher:* Margaret LaMotte Torrence, Interim Pastor. *Liturgists:* Nancy Myer, Staff Associate for Children's Ministries; Kate Fiedler, Associate Pastor for Adult Ministries; Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor. *Choir Director and Organist:* Thomas Brown, Minister of Music.

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY: **At 8:30:** *Greeters:* John and Helen Brantley. *Ushers:* Walter and Linda Plunkett (captains), Tom and Judy Warburton. **At 11:00:** *Greeters:* George and Janet Grosser. *Ushers:* Steve Kennedy (captain), Bob Johnson, Edith Lino, Lawrence Sizemore, Bill and Mary Ann Newell. *Godly Play Leaders:* Winnie Morgan, Amanda Oakes. *Handicapped Parking Assistant:* Jesse Basnight, Jr.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM is being administered this morning to Ian Andrew Topfer, son of Angus and Jessica Topfer. Ian was born on May 15, 2016.

NEW MEMBERS WILL GATHER in the Fellowship Hall after the 11:00 service today and will be welcomed during worship next Sunday, April 15. We welcome new members every other month. If you are interested in becoming a part of our faith community, please contact Kate Fiedler or Elizabeth Michael at (919) 929-2102.

THIS MORNING'S ORGAN VOLUNTARY celebrates the 333rd anniversary of the birth of Johann Sebastian Bach, born three weeks ago on March 21 in 1685. Or was it two weeks ago on March 31? The long-enjoyed belief that Bach's birth and the Spring Equinox more or less coincide has recently been challenged by some scholars in their reevaluations of the calendar, which now move Bach's birthday 11 days later to March 31. In fact, Protestant Germany did move from the old Julian calendar to the 'new' Gregorian calendar in 1700 (the international calendar still in use to this day) – but with the legal stipulation that all dates prior to December 31, 1699, remain valid. Despite the current need to 'update' the Julian calendar by some, Christoph Wolff, Bach Scholar and Professor at Harvard University, encourages us to "hold on to the 21st and feel good about it!" Happy birthday, JSB! This morning's Offertory, the Aria that famously opens the Third Part of George Frideric Handel's oratorio MESSIAH, was first heard, along with the rest of MESSIAH, 276 years ago this coming week in Dublin. That performance took place in Dublin's Musick Hall to a record audience of 700, "as ladies had heeded pleas by management to wear dresses 'without Hoops' in order to make 'Room for more company.'"

DURING THE EASTER SEASON, we will be singing the Doxology to the tune of *Lasst uns erfreuen*.

ELDERS, SESSION FOLDERS ARE AVAILABLE in the church mailboxes. The Session will meet on Thursday, April 12, at 7 p.m. in Vance Barron Hall.

THE BENEDICTION frequently offered by Margaret is adapted from an anointing liturgy by Jim Cotter.

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON ROBERTSON LANE. It is fine to park in the designated pull-in parking spaces, but the road itself is a fire lane and must be kept clear. Thank you for your understanding.

HANDICAPPED PARKING SPACES are set aside on Sunday directly in front of the church on Franklin Street, and four spaces are available in the church parking lot off Robertson Lane. Please reserve these spaces for those with handicap parking permits.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS and portable hearing devices are available every Sunday in the narthex.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Acts 3:12-19; Ps. 4; 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48.



Welcome to University Presbyterian Church

News and Opportunities

April 8, 2018

Mission Study Team Update

The Mission Study Team thanks you for your thoughtful and energetic participation in the recent congregational conversations! In order to provide every participant at UPC a tangible way to engage in the mission study process, the Mission Study Congregational Survey is now available. Members and active visitors are all invited to participate online or by picking up a hard copy in the church office or the narthex. Please find the online survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UPC-MST>. This survey is one of the most important ways by which we can discern God's call to UPC; please respond thoughtfully and prayerfully to as many questions as you feel comfortable answering. Should you have questions or comments, do not hesitate to contact the Mission Study Team via our website (upcch.org/missionstudy), email (missionstudyteam@upcch.org), or in conversation with any team member. The online survey closes at 11:45 p.m. on Sunday, April 15, and all hard copies are due back to the church by April 15. The Mission Study Team is deeply grateful for your continued participation in all aspects of this important work.

Women's Retreat

This spring, the women's retreat will be Saturday, April 21, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., at New Hope Camp & Conference Center. Edna Banes will guide the group in the theme of *Celtic Spirituality*. If you missed the registration deadline, email Kate Fiedler (kate@upcch.org).

Presbyterian Youth Connection

All 6th-12th graders are encouraged to attend PYC tonight from 6-7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for April's Theme Night. The Interns, Kristen and Wyatt, are leading our time together and have a fun evening planned around Self Care. How can we start to care for ourselves by caring for one another? Drop off is at 110 Henderson Street between 5:45 and 6:00 p.m. and pick up is at 7:30 p.m. in the UPC parking lot. Contact Kim McNeill, Staff Associate for Youth Ministries, at kim@upcch.org with any questions.

New Interim Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care

The Session is pleased to announce that the Reverend Hillary Bergman Cheek has accepted the invitation to share ministry with UPC. Hillary is currently serving as the Associate Pastor at Hopewell Presbyterian Church in Huntersville, NC. She will begin at UPC on Monday, May 14. Please visit upcch.org/hillary-bergman-cheek or check out the April edition of *The Chimes* to learn more about her.

Flowers in the Sanctuary

The UPC Flower Committee invites and encourages members to honor the memory of loved ones with floral arrangements in our Sanctuary on Sundays. To schedule an arrangement, please call Donna Frick at 919-623-5355 or email her at delliottfrick@gmail.com.

Presbyterian Women

All women of UPC are invited to attend PW Circles:
Circle 1: Wed., April 11, 7 p.m. Hostess: Kara Aycock, 224 Vance St. (919-969-7770)
Circle 2: Mon., April 9, 10 a.m. Hostess: Diane McGrath, 2200 Copeland Way (919-929-9657)
Circle 3: Tues., April 10, 10 a.m. Hostess: Marian Johnson, 217 Mill Race Drive (919-942-4752)

Young Adults Service Day

Join other young adults at UPC for a service day with Habitat for Humanity on Saturday, April 14, in Efland (just 15 minutes from Chapel Hill). For questions or more information, contact Catherine McKenas (cmckenas@live.unc.edu).

Presbyterian Women's Birthday Dinner

Save the date! All women of the church are invited to the Presbyterian Women's Birthday Dinner. Please join us on Tuesday, May 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We'll enjoy a delicious catered dinner (cost \$15), hear a guest speaker, and learn what Presbyterian Women, locally and nationwide, have done this last year. The dinner will feature musical entertainment by Metrognomes. During the dinner, a birthday offering will be received to support PW charities. You may even win a special birthday prize! To RSVP, place your \$15 check (made out to "UPC" with "PW Dinner" in the memo line) in the offering plate or mail your check to the church office (209 East Franklin Street, Chapel Hill, NC 27514). **Checks must be received by Sunday, April 29.** Please contact Daphne Little (crowlittle@aol.com) or Cass Swon (cassswon@gmail.com) with questions.

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendar for UPC's Vacation Bible School! We will gather June 25-28 at New Hope Camp & Conference Center. Our theme will be "Rolling River Rampage." Along the river, children will discover that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise and that they can always trust God to be with them. Online registration is open for members and non-members. Go to upcch.org/vacation-bible-school. Please go to goo.gl/forms/VPRa5i35IqgSsFnA3 to register as a volunteer. If you have questions, please contact Nancy Myer at nancy@upcch.org, Stephanie Duncan at seduncan1@hotmail.com, or Stacey Lange at stacey.lange@gmail.com.

Adult Education

Bible Study: *The Voice of God in the Silenced: A Look at Women in the Bible:* Focusing on five women in the Hebrew Bible, in this class we will participate in critical engagement with scripture, learning a new vocabulary of hope for 21st century life, and looking to encounter the God-who-cannot-be-silenced among the voices of women who have been all too often. This Sunday: Eve: the mother of the patriarchy; April 15: Hagar (with Sarah): the intersectionality of otherness. Facilitator: Matt Moorman (UPC Ministerial Intern). Location: Vance Barron Hall.

Faith and the Arts: *Faith Stories:* This class continues to read a collection of stories by wonderful writers on "varieties and vagaries of faith," *Faith Stories*, edited by Michael Curtis. This week: The discussion continues with the next story, "A Night in the Poorhouse" by Isaac Bashevis Singer. Facilitator: Vince Tollers. Location: Terrace Room.

Why God?

Every Christian struggles at times with questions about faith. Companionship in these times of confusion and disorientation is one of the gifts of Christ's church. A Stephen Minister can be a welcome sojourner through the places of spiritual wilderness. Please contact Elizabeth Michael, Interim Associate Pastor, at elizabeth@upcch.org or (919) 929-2102, or you may visit upcch.org/stephen-ministry to learn more.

UPC on Instagram

University Presbyterian Church is now on Instagram ([@upc_ch](https://www.instagram.com/upc_ch) ([instagram.com/upc_ch](https://www.instagram.com/upc_ch))). Be sure to follow to stay up-to-date on what's happening at UPC! Remember to follow us on Facebook, too, at [facebook.com/upcch](https://www.facebook.com/upcch).

2018 Congregational Retreat

The UPC Congregational Retreat registration is open!

Go to www.upcch.org/retreat to get your spot in Assembly Inn reserved for this year's retreat, "Spirit on the Move," September 7-9, 2018, in Montreat. Don't miss this incredible weekend in beautiful Montreat with your church family. Through the lens of the Pentecost story, we'll explore how the Holy Spirit is at work in our own lives and our Church. There will be pottery, paddle boating, hiking, BBQ, barn dancing, campfire, energizers, and more fun than you thought possible in 36 hours. Join in!

Youth, Junior, and Children's Choirs

The Youth Choir (grades 6-12) rehearses today from 5-6 and sings next in worship on April 22 at 11:00. See you at rehearsal! Contact Beth Visser at visser@upcch.org for more information.

The Junior Choir (grades 2-6) has an extended rehearsal today for Picture Day from 4-4:55. Singers should bring a check for \$25 made payable to UPC to cover pictures, CDs, T-shirts, and other musical expenses. The Junior Choir has a rehearsal on Saturday, April 14, from 4:30-6. Contact Beth Visser at visser@upcch.org for more information.

The Children's Choir (grades K-2) has an extended rehearsal today from 3:30-4:15 for Picture Day. Singers should bring a check for \$25 made payable to UPC to cover pictures, CDs, T-shirts, and other musical expenses. Contact Beth Visser at visser@upcch.org for more information.

Announcements from the Larger Community

Cultivating Mental Health: Hope and Healing, a Faith Connections on Mental Illness Conference, is a day-long interfaith conference focusing on addiction, depression in the elderly, and mental health resources available in the community. UPC is a long-time friend of the event, Faith Connections on Mental Illness, which seeks to advise faith communities on how to care for and support families and individuals living with mental illness. This conference will be held at St. Thomas More Catholic Church in Chapel Hill on Friday, April 13, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. For information/registration, please visit www.faithconnectionsonmentalillness.org/annual-conference.html.

Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications for senior housing (age 55+). Visit www.orangehabitat.org/senior-housing. The deadline is May 18. To learn more, attend an Information Session on April 14 at 1:30 at the Orange County Public Library. Register by calling (919) 932-7077 ext. 233.

To raise awareness for mental illness, NAMIWalks will be held on Saturday, April 14, 2018 at MidTown Park - North Hills in Raleigh. The 5K (3.1 miles) path is a double-loop through neighborhoods that allows for a shorter route. Faith Connections on Mental Illness has invited UPC to join their team. There is no cost to participate. Individuals who raise \$100 in contributions will receive a free NAMIWalks T-shirt from event organizers. Even if you can't walk, donations are gratefully accepted. Learn more at www.namiwalks.org/team/FCOMI or contact Deby Dihoff at ddihoff@nc.rr.com 919-210-3992 or Kim Batson at kmccbat@aol.com or 919-265-9820.

Family Health Ministries' Annual Gala & Silent Auction will be held Saturday, April 21, 2018, 6:00 - 9:00 p.m., at the Levin Jewish Community Center (1937 W. Cornwallis Rd., Durham). Funds raised will support FHM's women's health programs in Haiti including the women's health clinic and birthing center in the rural village of Tom Gato. UPC has supported the work of FHM for many years. This will be an evening of celebration including live music by the EG Peters Band and a delicious buffet dinner catered by Rocky Top. The electronic silent auction will allow supporters to bid both on-site and remotely with their smartphones, tablets, and computers. To purchase tickets, visit www.familyhealthministries.org/get-involved/annual-gala or call (919) 382-5500.

This Week and Next at University Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 8

- 8:30 & 11:00 Worship Services (Nursery: Room 130/134)
9:30 Coffee on the Landing
9:45-10:45 Sunday School for all ages
12:15-1:30 New members received: Fellowship Hall
3:30-4:15 Children's Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
4:00-5:00 UPC worship service: Carolina Meadows
4:00-4:55 Junior Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
5:00-6:00 Youth Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
6:00-7:30 PYC Theme Night: Youth Center

Monday, April 9

- 7:00-8:00 Men's Breakfast: Terrace Room
5:00-6:00 Local Outreach: Vance Barron Hall
6:00-7:00 Administration Committee: Youth Center
6:00-7:00 Outreach: Vance Barron Hall
6:30-8:00 Nominating Committee: Dunham Hall
7:00-8:00 Deacons meeting: Vance Barron Hall

Tuesday, April 10

- 10:00 Bulletin announcement deadline
7:00-9:00 Mission Study Team: Dunham Hall

Wednesday, April 11

- 7:15-9:15 Chancel Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite

Thursday, April 12

- 12:30-2:00 Woman to Woman: Caribou Coffee
6:00-8:00 PCM Dinner and Program: Terrace Room
7:00-9:00 Session meeting: Vance Barron Hall

Friday, April 13

- 4:15-5:00 High School Beach Retreat departs
Junior Choir Student Directors:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite

Saturday, April 14

- 4:30-6:00 Junior Choir: Sanctuary

Sunday, April 15

- 8:30 & 11:00 High School Beach Retreat returns
Worship Services (Nursery: Room 130/134)
9:30 Coffee on the Landing
9:45-10:45 Sunday School for all ages
12:00 *The Chimes* content deadline
3:45-4:15 Children's Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
4:00-5:00 UPC worship service: Carol Woods
4:15-4:55 Junior Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
5:00-6:00 Youth Choir:
Priscilla D. Bevin Memorial Choir Suite
6:00-7:30 PYC: Youth Center

**Remember, there is FREE parking at the
Rosemary Street parking deck on Sundays.**

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