

**RESURRECTION SUNDAY
EASTER DAY - SUNDAY, April 24, 2011**

PRELUDE "Was It A Morning Like This" Croegaret

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

PROCESSIONAL "Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" Sherman & Raney
David Brasher, Organ, Twila Tyree, Piano, Bell Choir & Chancel Choir
Bell Choir – June Pryor, Barbara Carpenter, Pepper Edwards, Kim Lawrence, Clarissa Harms,
Deb Carpenter, Libby Carpenter, Twila Tyree, Michelle Brown, Donni Garrison, Judy Dudley,
George Dudley, David Brasher

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
Pastor: This is the Day!
People: Glorious day! Resurrection day!
Pastor: So, rejoice.
People: Alleluia!!
Pastor: Be glad.
People: Alleulia!
Pastor: For Christ is risen from the dead.
People: He is risen as He said.
Pastor: Alleulia!
People: Alleulia!

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Chalice Hymnal No. 216

***INVOCATION & THE LORD'S PRAYER (Trespas) and GLORIA PATRI**
Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

CHILDREN'S BLESSING Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
Children who are rising four years old through fourth grade will be dismissed to Children's Worship
& Wonder.

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND EASTER OFFERING
A Call to Stewardship Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
Special Music Offering "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" McChesney
Bell Choir
*Doxology Hymnal No. 46
*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

ANTHEM "Jesus is Alive Medley" Mauldin

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Mary Pat Spencer

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Communion Hymn "This Is the Day" Chalice Hymnal No. 286
Invitation to Communion Charles Daniels
Prayer of Communion Peggy Daniels
(This is the Lord's Table. All believers in Christ are invited. As the emblems are passed,
partake of the bread and hold the cup, offering your own prayer/meditation until after the
congregational response.)

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE
(Taken from the New Testament: First Corinthians 11:23-26)

ELDER: The Lord Jesus, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given
thanks, broke it and said, "This is My Body which is given for you."

COMMUNION MUSIC "Crown Him Lord of All" McChesney
Bell Choir

ELDER: In the same way also the cup, after supper saying, "This cup is the new covenant of My
Blood. Do this as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me."

CONGREGATION: As often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's
death until He comes.

SCRIPTURE John 20: 19-31 Rev. Edd Spencer

SERMON "Speaking Peace" Rev. Edd Spencer

***HYMN OF INVITATION** "He Lives!" Chalice Hymnal No. 226

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Edd Spencer

CHOIR RECESSIONAL "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!" Chalice Hymnal No. 222

Christ is risen! Shout hosanna! Celebrate this day of days.
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder; all creation is amazed.
In the desert all surrounding, see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding bring a taste of love unknown.

Christ is risen! Earth and heaven never more shall be the same.
Break the bread of new creation where the world is still in pain.
Tell its grim, demonic chorus: "Christ is risen! Get you gone!"
God the first and last is with us. Sing Hosanna every one!

POSTLUDE "Behold The Lamb" Rambo

LIFE IN OUR COMMUNITY THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

6:30 am Sunrise Service and Breakfast at Hargis
9:00 am Sunday School
9:45 am – 10:15 am Fellowship Moment
10:15 am Easter Morning Worship
10:30 am Children's Worship & Wonder

MONDAY –FRIDAY

9:30 am – 1:30 pm The Adventure Nook

MONDAY, APRIL 25

7:00 am Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

9:45 am Chapel
10:00 am Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm Elder Calls

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

10:00 am Vacation Bible School Orientation/Farkas Rm
7:00 pm Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm Advocates Bible Study
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Meadowridge Homeowners Assoc. Meeting/Farkas Rm

FRIDAY, April 29

5:00 pm Kool Kids & Chi Rho's Lock-In

SATURDAY, April 30

10:00 am Pastor Colleague Group

✠ **T – SHIRTS FOR SALE** - Our men's organization are offering early spring t-shirts for sale. The shirts are \$10 each, with the proceeds going to help our various and growing projects. A variety of sizes are available and we have one to fit you. See Gary Howard, Jerry Wallace or others for your Disciples shirt. *Thanks, Jerry Wallace*

✠ **ADVOCATES BIBLE STUDY** - The Men's Advocates Bible Study will begin a new study this Thursday at 7:00 pm on the books of I & II Peter. Come join the men as they celebrate God's Word.

IN THE LIFE OF OUR CHURCH

A PRAYER FOR EASTER

Living God, thank You for the ways You surprise us.
We thought all was lost, but now all has been found.
We believed that Jesus was dead, but now He is alive.
We assumed that death was an ending, but now it is a beginning.
We thought the story would end with a tomb that was filled with a body,
but instead the story begins with a tomb that is empty.

Just as You have resurrected Your Son from death on this day,
we pray that You will also resurrect our lives.
Meet us in our anxiety and resurrect us to peace.
Meet us in our despair and resurrect us to hopefulness.
Meet us in our desire to quit and resurrect us to the place where we want to go in life.
Meet us in our loneliness and resurrect us to community.
Take what is dead in us and around us and make it new once more.

Thank You, Lord, for the people who had the courage to go and tell others what they saw on this day. We thank You for the first people to proclaim that You had been raised from the dead even in the midst of people looking on with disbelief.
Help us, Lord, to continue to faithfully proclaim this story even where there is doubt and denial. Amen.

EASTER OFFERING

As we celebrate the Risen Christ in our lives, may we share in the Easter Offering today. This offering will:

- Support 126 missionaries in 43 countries
- Support congregations in transition with programs of renewal and transformation
- Reinforce the witness of African, Hispanic and Asian-American ministries in the Christian Church (DOC)
- Maintain an effective search and call process for the calling of ministers to ministries of the local and regional church
- Strengthen our church's witness of justice and peace in critical situations of oppression and conflict throughout the world
- Allocate "over and above" financial support to retired pastors and missionaries who receive only minimum pension benefits
- Facilitate resources and programs of evangelism and church growth
- Nurture young church leaders and seminarians in the living of their faith, their academic studies, and short-term practical internships
- Preserve and honor our history and lasting legacy as a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world
- Support social programs of our church which serve "the least of these"

Please use the envelope in your bulletin for the offering.

WORSHIP LEADERS

WORSHIP LEADERS: Rev. Edd Spencer & Rev. Mary Pat Spencer
MUSIC MINISTER: Rev. Jan Watts
ORGANIST/PIANIST: David Brasher
ELDERS ON CALL: Charles & Peggy Daniels
SERVING DIACONATE: Lisa Burdette, Fletcher Hamilton, Sandy Hamilton, Carlton Horne, Tiffany Horne, Scott Jackson, Donnette Mee, Katherine Mee, Ed Powell, Bob Smith, Corey Tabb, Charlie Thigpen, Jacob Thigpen

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP & WONDER:

LESSON: Jesus is Risen: Appearance to Mary Magdalene

STORYTELLER: Joye Taylor

GREETERS: Susan Hales & Sarah Ford

SUNDAY SCHOOL GREETER: Jim Thigpen

WORSHIP GREETERS (Door): Clayton & Charlotte Brammer

WORSHIP GREETER (Table): Gloria McWilliams

Vacation Bible School Orientation and Training

Thursday, April 28th at 10:00 am

July 25-29 will be here before we know it. Soon we will all be scattering for summer fun and vacations- so before we get away we want to have our VBS training for all our volunteers. We will meet in the Farkas room at 10:00 on Thursday, April 28. We promise to have you out by noon at the latest. We may even want to grab some lunch together. We are excited about our theme and staff. Our theme this year is **Galactic Blast**. Our 4-year-olds through the 6th grade will explore a cosmic adventure focusing on praising our wonderful, incredible amazing, magnificent and awesome God! We will do this through Story Telling, Discovery Time, Crafts, Music, and even our snack time in our Galactic Café'. In addition, each day as we come for our Starship Galactic Praise time, we will have as our special guest, Galileo the Green Gorilla. Not to worry, he is a very friendly Gorilla. Galileo is friends with the Commander of our Starship and they will help us complete our mission. So our first priority is to be **trained** for this special Mission. So Galactic Blast staff and volunteers please report to your station on Thursday, April 28th at 10:00. See you there. Thanks, Crew, we really appreciate you.

Mary Pat and Julie

KOOL KIDS AND CHI RHO'S – We will end the season together at a Lock-In on April 29th. We will meet at the church at 5:00 pm Friday night for an evening of fun, food, and fellowship. Your parents can pick you up on Saturday morning at 9:00 am. Be sure to bring your sleeping bag, pillow, flashlight, and personal items (such as clothes, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc) and \$10.00 for a surprise outing. Watch your mail for more information and vote on your favorite outing. For more information call Deb Carpenter at 602-9717.