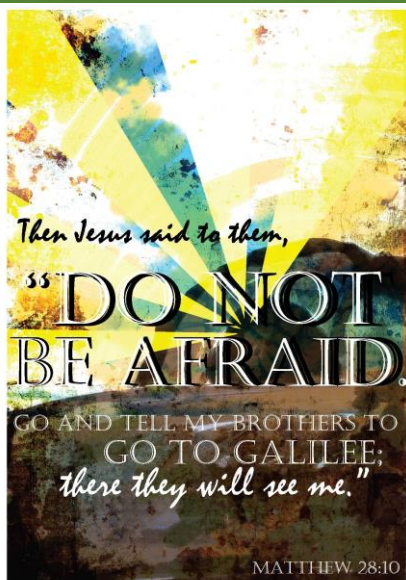


# *First Presbyterian Church*

Whiteville,  
North Carolina

"To be a light in our  
community reflecting  
Christ's love and  
compassion..."

*Easter Celebration*  
April 21, 2019



Rev. Dr. Joseph D.  
Washburn

## *Gathering Around the Word*

Prelude

*The Humphreys*

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer & Reflection

Call to Worship

How joyful it is, to celebrate the good news of  
God's love!

**We are called to be Easter people!**

Darkness cannot claim us!

**Fear cannot bind us!**

Christ is risen!

**Christ is risen, indeed! Amen!**

\*Hymn of Praise

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**"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"**

\*Easter Litany

Alleluia! We sing it loud: alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

For the sweet relief of life that defies the  
power of death, we sing it loud: alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

For the wild dance of heaven that interrupts &  
overthrows the powers of earth, we sing it loud:  
alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

For stones rolled away & stones beneath our  
feet that witness to God's power to always do a  
new thing, we sing it loud: alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

For the unearned grace of forgiveness  
that heals our brokenness and calls us to new  
ways, we sing it loud: alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

For the glimpse of our LORD upon each face  
that cheers our spirits and changes our hearts,  
we sing it loud: alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever!**

Alleluia! We sing it loud and forever: alleluia!

**God's steadfast love endures forever! Amen.**

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

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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.

\*Passing of the Peace

### *Proclaiming the Word*

Time with the Children

Choral Anthem

"The Power of the Cross"

*L. King*

Prayer for Understanding

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 28:1-10

This is the Word of the Lord;

**Thanks be to God!**

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Joseph D. Washburn

"From Empty to Full"

### *Responding to the Word*

\*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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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.

Call for the Offering

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

*Choir*

\*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise Him, above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn of Commitment

“The Day of Resurrection”

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\*Benediction

We shall celebrate Easter! Alleluia!

**We shall bring love to those who are sad**

And share joy with those who are happy

**We will live our lives to the glory of God**

We will live in Easter joy and Easter hope

**And bring new life to those we meet. Alleluia!**

May the blessing of God the Creator be upon this place,

**The blessing of Christ our Redeemer be upon us,**

The blessing of the Spirit, hallowed and healing, be on our lives,

**The blessing of the Triune God be on all who seek an encounter with the loving and divine.**

**Alleluia! Amen!**

Music in Preparation for Service to the World

NEXT WEEK:

Rev. Sam Murrell will be preaching next Sunday during Rev. Washburn's vacation.

*\*Please stand if you are able.*



**Easter Egg Hunt TODAY!**  
*After worship, on the lawn*

*Pastor Joe will be out of the office on vacation this week. He will be back in the office April 29<sup>th</sup>.*



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Wednesdays Together: The Holy Spirit, with Angela Washburn  
Adult Bible Study starting Wednesday, May 1, 2019 at 6:30 pm

**WELCOME!** We welcome you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! May today's worship open you to God. *Your entire family is welcome*, but we do offer a nursery for children birth to 3 years of age located in the education building behind the sanctuary.

**Prayer Concerns:** Geraldine Becker; Kathryn Clark; John Hall; Dolores Harris; Bob High; Rita & R. L. Lewis; Miriam Marks; Walter Strickland; Will Thompson.

**Assisted Care:** Arlene Blaha; Anna Jane Collier; Charlene Hinnant; Grace Palmer; Kenneth Smith; Ellen Thurston.

**Friends:** Pat Allen; Sara and Rob Armstrong; Annette Caldwell; Jay Coker; Billie Joe Conrad; Shari Dutton; Betty Faircloth; Shelby Hodge; Barry Housend; **Julie Malone**; Daphne McLeod; Jerome McPherson; Gail Moye; Paul Pipkin, Jr.; Hollis Salyer; Ken Smith; Tori Tarro; Melba Ward; Willie Wilkins.

**Please notify the office when names can be removed.**

<b><u>Nursery Team:</u></b>	April 21: Joan Dorsett	April 28: Ben & Sydney Kilpatrick
<b><u>Sound Team:</u></b>	April 21: Justin Smith	April 28: Donald Hester
<b><u>Backpack Ministry:</u></b>	April 21: Youth	April 28: MVE Committee
<b><u>Flowers:</u></b>	April 21: Rick Edwards	April 28: Erin & McLean Thompson
<b><u>Head Usher:</u></b>	April: Donald Hester	May: Mary Anne Tyndall

- *The flowers on the retable are given to the glory of God and in memory of Abbie Edwards from her husband Rick.*

#### CHURCH CALENDAR:

Sunday, April 21:	Easter Egg Hunt, Lawn, 12:00 pm
Monday, April 22:	Office Closed - Easter Monday
	Southeastern Oratorio Society Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 6:30 pm
	Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Wednesday, April 24:	Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room - 5:30 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Thursday, April 25:	Chicks with Sticks, Parlor - 10:30 am
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm
Sunday, April 28:	Rev. Sam Murrell, Guest Minister
	Centsability Offering
	SDO Committee Meeting, Conference Room - 12:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 5:00 pm
Monday, April 22:	Southeastern Oratorio Society Rehearsal, Sanctuary - 6:30 pm
	Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall - 6:30 pm
	Al-Anon, Reformed Rebels Classroom - 7:00 pm
	Alcoholics Anonymous, Community Room - 8:00 pm

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