

Tryon United Methodist Church

11:00 A.M. Worship Easter Sunday April 20, 2025

Let the chiming of the hour be the signal for that reverent silence which is the beginning of worship.

CHIMING OF THE HOUR Pam McNeil, organ

ANNOUNCEMENTS Linda Robison

PRELUDE *Meditation on "Regent Square"* Pam McNeil, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP (The United Methodist Book of Worship) Rev. Michael Bailey

Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

GREETING Rev. Michael Bailey

EASTER PRAYER (United Methodist Book of Worship)

Rev. Michael Bailey

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we who celebrate our Lord's resurrection, by the renewing of your Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

Rev. Michael Bailey

You are members of God's beloved community. Greet one another with the peace of Christ. As we pass the peace of Christ, greet one another in ways you feel are healthy and comfortable for you.

*HYMN Christ the Lord is Risen Today 302

*PSALTER Psalm 118: v14-19 (UMH 839) Linda Robison The Lord is my strength and my power; the Lord has become my salvation.

There are joyous songs of victory in the tents of the righteous.

The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of the Lord is exalted,

The right hand of the Lord does valiantly!

I shall not die but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

The Lord has chastened me sorely, but has not given me over to death.

Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE NICENE CREED (UMH 880)

Linda Robison

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI (UMH 70)

Congregation

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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Rev. Michael Bailey

We set aside this time for Children's Moment when we have children with us.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Michael Bailey

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Trespass*)

Rev. Michael Bailey

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,

For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER (UMC General Board of Discipleship)

Rev. Michael Bailey

Radiant God, whose love endures forever, we gather today in the light of resurrection hope, offering these gifts as a response to the abundant grace we have received. In this period of spiritual renewal, may our giving reflect the joy of the empty tomb and the promise of life everlasting. Transform our offerings into acts of love that bring light to the world, just as Christ's light dawned in our hearts. We dedicate these gifts to your service, trusting that, in your hands, they will bring forth new life. Amen.

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below; Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

SCRIPTURE John 20:1-18 Linda Robison

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. ² So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³ Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. 4 The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵ He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶ Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, ⁷ and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to their homes. ¹¹ But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb; ¹² and she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had been lying, one at the head and the other at the feet. ¹³ They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." 14 When she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you looking for?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." 16 Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to him in Hebrew, "Rabbouni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.' " 18 Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"; and she told them that he had said these things to her.

Liturgist: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE Jesus Loves Me This I Know; Jesus Loves Me This I Love Rev. Michael Bailey

*CLOSING HYMN He Lives 310

*BENEDICTION Rev. Michael Bailey

POSTLUD Alleluia! (See insert) Choral/Congregational Benediction
Susan Smith. handbells

*Please stand as you are able.

We welcome interim pastor Rev. Michael F. Bailey to our congregation this morning.

PRAYER LIST 4/20/2025

Pray for: Rockie Alexander, Anna, Ron Bennett, Bill Bowman, Carl Brooks, Terrye Broyhill, Walter, Hilary & Mars Bunn, Layne and Brady Burleson, Margaret Cannon, Rhonda Carpenter, The Cashion Family, Cathy, Liz Chase, Michelle Chromey, Betty Cochran, Breanna Cochran, Janet Cowen, Diane, Dona Jean Dacey, Joshua Dacey, Mark Dacey, Sandra Forney, Roy Greene & Family, Jennifer & Percy Hargett, Ben Harvey, Bobby Henson, Julia and Chris, Judy, Juliet, LuAnn Love, Laron "Kelly" Lumpkin, Maria, Maureen, Melony Martin, Miriam McClure, Jerry Miller, Dell Morgan, Ashley Mould, Betty Neal, Family of Diane Pace, Salley Parker, David Ross Palmer, Everett Palmer, Rita Pennypacker & family, Rev. Dr. Mark Ralls, Bob Reynolds, Stephen Sacks, Cindy Shouck, Margaret Steward, Richard Tendam, Bill Vehorn, George Wallace, Hal Wishon, Belinda Yarborough and the family of Jesse Yarborough

Armed Forces Prayer List: Ruairidh (Rory) Coull, Landon Farley, James F. Henson Jr., Harrison Turnage

Continued prayers for:

- -All who are dealing with devastation and loss after the local wildfires, Hurricanes Helene and Milton, and other natural disasters. Pray for all of the helpers who are working to restore power and provide clothing, shelter and assistance.
- -The people of Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Haiti and all places experience conflicts and war. Pray for there to be peace and for war to cease. Pray for leaders to seek wisdom. Pray for an end to violence and bloodshed. Pray for all people in all nations to seek and to be instruments of peace.
- -Unspoken requests for our families and friends who may need prayer support, who are going through various life transitions, who have loved ones with physical or mental health issues, those in abusive relationships.
- For those in need of treatment for depression/anxiety.
- For those who grieve for loved ones who have passed.
- Those who are in transition and contemplating lifestyle changes moving, retiring, furthering their education.
- --Gratitude for the Comfort Shawl ladies who provide shawls for so many.
- -Prayers for families in domestic violence situations
- -Caregivers needing help caregiving and for all receiving health care treatment.
- --Caregivers of little children, adult children, parents and friends.

Bulletin Announcement Deadlines: If you would like to have an announcement placed in the bulletin, please send it to Pam McNeil by Wednesday at 12:00 p.m. each week. Bulletins are printed by 2:00 p.m. each Wednesday. Send to tumc1@tryonumc.net.

Please join us in the choral postlude

Hallelujah!/Hymn to Joy

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Christ is risen today!

Hallelujah! Christ is risen! Sing your praise this Easter day!

Hallelujah! Shout with gladness! He has triumphed o'er the grave

Ring the bells and sound the trumpet. Death is banished from the tomb.

Heavenly angels sing "Hosanna!" Celebrate and share the news.

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of Glory, Lord of love.

Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, Opening to the stars above.

Ring the bells and sound the trumpet, Death is banished from the tomb.

Hallelujah! Christ is risen! Celebrate and spread the news!

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Christ is risen today!

