

First Church at Worship

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY

Louis Clerambault

Trumpet in Dialogue

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* THE EASTER GREETING

ALLELUIA! Christ is risen!

Christ is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!

Glory and honor, dominion and power, be to God for ever and ever.

Christ is risen indeed! ALLELUIA!

* THE EASTER HYMN No. 304

Regent Square

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

THE COLLECT

~ WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD ~

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 2:14a; 22-32

¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, . . .

²²“You that are Israelites, listen to what I have to say: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with deeds of power, wonders, and signs that God did through him among you, as you yourselves know—

²³this man, handed over to you according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of those outside the law. ²⁴But God raised him up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held in its power. ²⁵For David says concerning him,

‘I saw the Lord always before me,

for he is at my right hand so that I will not be shaken;

²⁶therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; moreover my flesh will live in hope.

²⁷For you will not abandon my soul to Hades,

or let your Holy One experience corruption.

²⁸You have made known to me the ways of life;

you will make me full of gladness with your presence.’

²⁹“Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

³⁰Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying,

‘He was not abandoned to Hades,

nor did his flesh experience corruption.’

³²This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses.

This is the word of God for the people of God

Thanks be to God.

THE PSALTER

Psalm 16

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Protect me, Lord, for I have said,
“You are my good; none is like you;”
The godly are my chief delight,
Those who have noble hearts and true.

Those who run after other gods
Shall have their troubles multiplied;
I will not offer blood or name
Their gods; these I cannot abide.

You are my portion and my cup,
You make my lot always secure;
My boundaries close a pleasant land,
Indeed my heritage is sure.

I bless the Lord who counsels me,
My heart helps me to understand;
I set the Lord always before,
And as my guard at my right hand.

My heart and spirit both rejoice,
My body, too, in hope shall lie;
You will not leave me in the Pit,
Nor in the grave with those who die.

You show me, Lord, the path of life,
With you I find fullness of joy;
The pleasures found at your right hand
Are those which time cannot destroy.

THE SECOND LESSON

I Peter 1:3-9

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, ⁷so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. ⁸Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, ⁹for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

This is the word of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Hal Hopson

Alleluia! Give Thanks to the Risen Lord
Helen Schreiber and Janet Lawrence, *handbells*

* THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION No. 2043

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia

* THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.”

²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.”

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, “Put your

finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” ²⁸Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” ²⁹Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.”

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to thee, O Christ.

* THE GOSPEL RESPONSE No. 2043

Celtic Alleluia

Alleluia

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Mr. Josh

SERMON

Rev. Kyle D. Randle

~ WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL ~

* HYMN OF RESPONSE No. 2196

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We Walk by Faith

THANKSGIVING FOR OUR BAPTISM

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism,
we are raised with him to new life.
Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God,
for in the beginning you created us in your image|
and planted us in a well-watered garden.
In the desert you promised pools of water for the parched,
and you gave us water from the rock.
When we did not know the way,
you sent the Good Shepherd to lead us to still waters.
At the cross, you watered us from Jesus' wounded side,
and on this day, you shower us again with the water of life.

We praise you for your salvation through water,
for the water in this font,
and for all water everywhere.
Bathe us in your forgiveness, grace, and love.
Satisfy the thirsty, and give us the life only you can give.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostle's Creed

No. 881

**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 Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried,
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and
sitteth at 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 Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

* GLORIA PATRI No. 70 *Meineke*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/THE LORD'S PRAYER
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

OFFERTORY *Lamb of God* Johann Pachelbel

~ WE ARE SENT INTO THE WORLD ~

* HYMN OF SENDING No. 303 *Lancashire*
The Day of Resurrection

* BENEDICTION

* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

* CLOSING VOLUNTARY *Psalms XIX* Benedetto Marcello

Birthdays This Week

April 19: April Steinfield
April 21: Bert Owen
April 22: Louise Goodwin
April 23: Lily Hunnicutt
April 24: Judy Hendrick
April 25: Grace Yenicek

Prayer Concerns: Bobby Stilley, Vicki Smink, Joann Wiegand, Bob Miller, Braelyn Philips, Karlene Rudolph, Louise Goodwin, Val Dunham, **At Home:** Woodie Woodward, Ronny Thompkins, Sonya Martin, Julia Land, Bernice Stone, Virginia Buck, Sue Dusenbury, Janet Von Deck, Frank Stilley, George & Jan Kyzer, Catherine Causey, Frances Reaman, Virginia Hardwick, Sylvia Avant, Kathy Tuttle, Rebecca Howell, Eugenia Benton, Billy Joe Calhoun, Ruth Thomas, Ted Boyd.

Christian sympathy is given to Sonja Martin on the death of her father, Allen O. "A.O." Hardee who passed away on April 4th in Little River.

Christian sympathy is also given to Julie Carter and family on the death of her grandmother, Roma Foister Amos who passed away on April 5 in Highlands, NC

STEWARDSHIP FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 12

Operating Fund	10,026.00	Sunday School Online	571+
Designated Giving	1,260.00	Worship Online	675+
Capital Campaign	585.00		

As the generous people of FUMC, we ask that you continue your giving via online <https://onrealm.org/fumconway/give/operatingfund>, Text **Firstconway to 73256** or by mailing your offering to the church, 1001 Fifth Avenue, Conway, SC 29526. Our Promises to God are a vital part of continuing the mission and ministry that supports the community, staff leadership, and the total ministry of FUMC. **Your continued financial support is critical** in helping the church continue to be the church, especially in times like this.

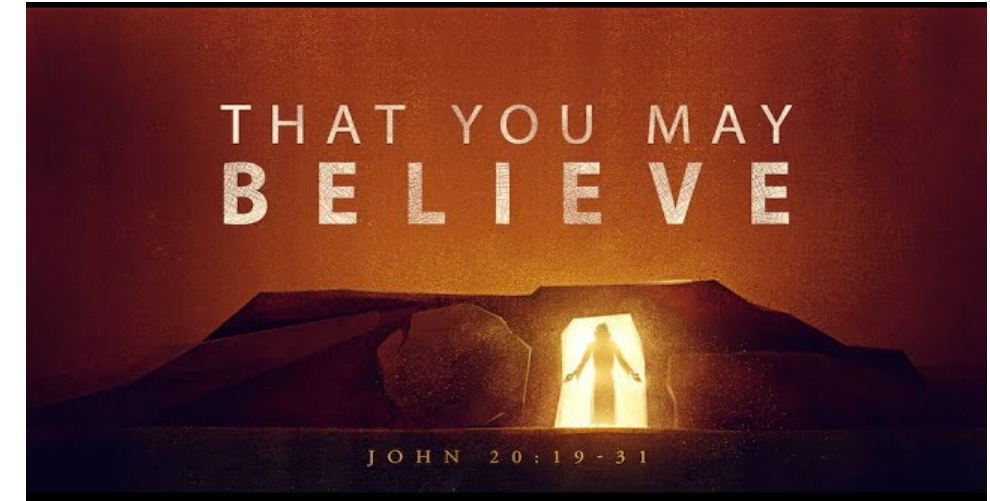
For now, the staff continues to be present on the FUMC campus during the week. They are working very hard to ensure FUMC has the opportunity to respond to community mission needs as they occur, maintain the FUMC campus, and be available to you during this challenging time.

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Second Sunday of Easter

April 19, 2020
10:30 a.m.

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Welcome to First United Methodist Church

Out of a broken and sinful world, all people are welcomed into the body of Jesus Christ at First Church. As children of God, together we join in worship to experience the transforming love of our Savior.

We are here this morning to worship God. Through our songs, words of praise, prayers and scripture reading, we give honor and glory to God. Wondrous things happen as we worship. Lives are changed. The presence of God brings hope, comfort, healing, and joy. Let us worship in gladness. Jesus, the Lord of Life is with us.