



# **Resurrection Sunday**

**First Presbyterian Church, Kannapolis**

**Our mission is to know Christ, serve Him,  
and make Him known.**

~ **Gathering Before the Word** ~

**Welcome**

Eddie Spencer

**Prelude**

*Easter Alleluia*  
Chancel Choir

**\*Call to Worship**

Leader: This is the good news - the grave is empty; Christ is risen.

**All: Alleluia!**

Leader: This is the good news - death is swallowed up in victory; Christ has won.

**All: Alleluia!**

Leader: This is the good news - just as Christ was raised from the dead, we too may live a new life in Him.

**All: Alleluia!**

Leader: This is the good news - He has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for us.

**All: Alleluia!**

Leader: Rejoice, for Christ is risen!

**All: He is risen, indeed. Alleluia!**

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 182**

*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Wesley

**\*Prayer of Adoration and Lord's Prayer**

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.

**Confession of Faith**

Heidelberg Catechism Question 45

Leader: How does Christ's resurrection benefit us?

**All: First, by His resurrection He has overcome death, so that He could make us share in the righteousness which He had obtained for us by His death. Second, by His power we too are raised up to a new life. Third, Christ's resurrection is to us a sure pledge of our glorious resurrection.**

**\*Hymn of Praise No. 223**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

DIADEMATA

## ~ Proclaiming the Word of God ~

### Word with the Children

Scripture Reading	Mark 16:1-8	Page 1010
*Song of Response No. 227	<i>He is Lord</i>	Frey
Offering & Special Music	<i>I've Just Seen Jesus</i>	
Sermon	"The Resurrection"	Eddie Spencer

## ~ Responding to the Word of God ~

\*Sending Song                      *An Easter Hallelujah*                      Cohen/Mooney  
Joe Morris, tenor; Chancel Choir; PraiseMakers

\*Congregational Response  
Leader: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!  
All: He is Risen, indeed, Alleluia!

### \*Prayer and Benediction

Postlude                      *He Lives*

\*All who are able, please stand.  
CCLI# 222113

*welcome*

**Welcome!** We are delighted that you are worshiping with us this morning, and hope you find today meaningful and refreshing. Visitors are asked to fill out a Visitor Information Card, located in the pew, and place it in the offering plate. Prayer Requests may be noted on the reverse side of the same card.

**Children's Activity Bags** are available for children aged 3 to grade 5. They include a children's bulletin related to the Sunday sermon, crayons, and scrap paper.

**Children's Church** is available for children 4 years through 2nd grade. After the "Word with our Children", they will be escorted to their classroom in the Nursery.

**A Nursery** is available for newborns through age 4. It is located in the Educational Building. If you need assistance or directions, an usher would be happy to help you!



**As you enter the sanctuary, please take a flower from the baskets.** Place the flower on the white cross at the front of the sanctuary as a symbol of the beauty and new life we find in Jesus' death and resurrection.



**Welcome to our guest musicians and their families who are joining us today.** Jameson Young, trumpet, is a student at Hickory Ridge High School. James Munro and our own Abigail Malinovsky are students at NW Cabarrus High. Cindy Emerson, soprano, lives in Salisbury with her husband, Will, and their son James.

**The Last Supper video is available to view on the First Pres Youtube Channel through the end of April.** Special thanks to all who worked so faithfully on this special presentation.



**The JOY Group will be having a lunch THIS Friday, April 25 at noon in the Fellowship Hall.**

We will enjoy a sliced ham lunch, a Chuck Swindoll devotional and an iPhone refresher tutorial. Please sign up in the Narthex to bring vegetables, salad or dessert.

**Next Sunday, April 27, we will have a guest speaker from Gideons International** to share a Moment of Missions during the Worship Service. A love offering will also be accepted for their ministry.

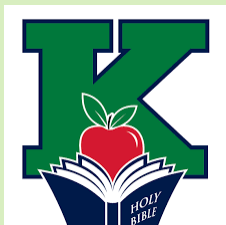


**GIDEONS  
INTERNATIONAL**



**Cooperative Christian Ministry has asked churches in Cabarrus County to respond to an urgent need for added resources.** Demand for assistance has continued to increase and outpace their ability to provide assistance. Therefore, the Missions Team will collect bags of non-perishable food items to help!

Please pick up a reusable First Pres bag in the Narthex. Fill it with canned or dry goods, and return it no later than Sunday, May 4 to the bin provided. **Items currently in high demand are: canned food (especially carrots & corn); beans; breakfast items; mac & cheese; whole grain foods; low sodium foods; & no sugar added foods.** Thank you for responding to our neighbors in need!



**Kannapolis Bible Teaching Association (KBTA) Fundraising Banquet** is Monday, May 5, 2025, 6:00pm to 7:30pm at Shoe Show, Inc., 2201 Trinity Church Road, Concord. If you would like to attend the KBTA Fundraising Banquet, please sign up in the Narthex by Sunday, April 27th or see Pastor Eddie.





**Northwest Cabarrus Bible Teaching Association's 14th Annual Car & Truck Show and Craft Fair benefiting NCHS Bible Courses** is Saturday, May 3, 2025 from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the NC Research Campus, 150 N. Research Campus Drive in Kannapolis. For more information, please pick up a flyer in the Narthex.

**Join us at Lifeline Christian Mission to pack meals for CCM!** On Wednesday, May 7, we will meet at



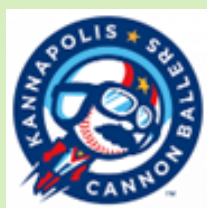
Lifeline (325 McGill Ave NW, Concord, NC - Gibson Mill) to pack 15 boxes or 3,240 meals. The Missions Team will provide pizza at 6pm, and we will start packing at 6:30pm. This is a fun outing for all ages, so join us for some friendly church family competition! Please sign up in the Narthex by Sunday, May 4.



**South Rowan Bible Teaching Association is holding a drive-thru banquet on Thursday, May 8th, at First Reformed Church in Landis.** They are offering both lunch

and dinner meals: bbq half chicken, baked beans, slaw, roll and dessert. Lunch pick-up is 11:30-1:30pm. Dinner pick up is 4:00-7:00pm. You can purchase tickets for this fundraiser for \$14 per

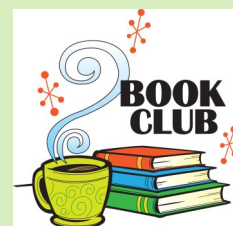
meal. Please see Michelle Walker no later than Sunday, April 27th to purchase a ticket.



**Join us for Faith Night at the Kannapolis Cannon Ballers on Friday, May 9!** The game begins at 7pm, with pre-game events

and special music at 6pm. Fireworks will follow the game. Group tickets are \$12.70 each, and include \$2 of Baller Bucks to spend at the stadium. Please see Michelle Walker by Sunday, May 4th, if you would like a ticket!

**On Thursday, May 15, the book club plans to visit The Mitford Museum in Hudson, NC.** The museum is the former school of the author, Jan Karon. We will meet at church at 9:00am and enjoy lunch at the museum. If you would like to join them, see Trish Nixon.



**Mark your calendars for Graduation Sunday, May 18!** We will honor our 2025 graduating high school seniors, Devin Bell and Ella Sechler, during the Worship Service. A reception will be held in their honor immediately following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please extend to them your well wishes!

## **Linda's Closet is open on Tuesdays from 11:00am -1:00pm.**

New boy & girl underwear are needed. Lightweight spring jackets would be appreciated until May. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Trish Nixon.



**Thank you to all who have donated to the First Pres Blessing Fence!** See Sam or Kay McAllister if you can help with these needs: feminine products & new or gently used towels.

### **Prayer Concerns**

Help us keep Prayer Concerns current with weekly updates.  
Email the church or note on a prayer card & place in the offering plate.

### **CHURCH FAMILY**

- Juanita Summers - health concerns
- John Hammond - recovery from quadruple by-pass surgery
- Linda Bost - in the hospital with UTI

### **FAMILY & FRIENDS OF CHURCH FAMILY**

- Solomon Hall - friend of Church family - health concerns
- Diane Crawford Odland (former pastor's wife) - diagnosis of cancer
- Henry (Diane Belotti's great nephew ) - 2 year old with brain cancer
- Sam McAllister's daughter, Lori - has MS and now has pneumonia
- Sam McAllister's granddaughter, Rachel - exploratory surgery for brain cancer
- Kathy (Charlene Booth's friend) - recovery from two brain surgeries due to accident
- Kim Stipe (Kay McAllister's daughter) - great report and surgery on April 30
- Zelda West (Trish Nixon's granddaughter) - recovery from two surgeries
- Justin Wallace (Melba Funderburk's grandson) - recovery from transplants and amputated foot
- Darrell Blalack (Linda Hathaway family) - chemo treatment for Hodgkins
- Barbara Coffey (friend of Judy Hunter) - cancer
- Thomas Dishman (friend of Judy Hunter) - recovery from kidney transplant
- Troutman Family (friend of Hammonds) - loss of Buddy
- Timmy Troutman (Buddy Troutman's son) - recovery from heart surgery

### **HOMEBOUND**

- Barbara Hancock - Home
- Loretta Young - Five Oaks



# This Week @ FIRST PRES

## Sunday, April 20 EASTER SUNDAY!

9:30am - Morning Coffee  
10:00am - Sunday School  
11:00am - Resurrection Worship Service

## Tuesday, April 22

11am - 1:00pm - Linda's Closet  
12:00pm - NA  
3:30-6:00pm - Peek NexGen

## Wednesday, April 23

3:30-6:00pm - Peek NexGen

## Thursday, April 24

10:30am - Ladies' Bible Study  
12:00pm - NA  
3:30-6:00pm - Peek NexGen

## Friday, April 25

12:00pm - JOY Group Lunch  
Fellowship Hall  
2:00pm - Pilot Club Event

## Saturday, April 26

All Day - Pilot Club Event

## Next Sunday, April 27

9:30am - Morning Coffee  
10:00am - Sunday School  
11:00am - Worship Service with Gideons  
International guest

## SERVANTS

**Elder Lock-Up:** Ken Sparks

**Children's Message This Week:** Michelle Walker

**Children's Message Next Week:** Alpha Barger

**Children's Church:** Tracy Caskey

**Children's Church Next Week:** Jenny Sparks

**Acolytes This Week:** Landon & Noah Walker

**Acolytes Next Week:** Michael Herbst & Mary Gray Petersen

**Nursery:** Amelia Caskey

**Nursery Next Week:** Roxanne Spencer

**Ushers:** Tony Hunter, Amy Hurst, Chris Lowder, Mike Lowder

**Ushers Next week:** Sam McAllister, Mal McDaniel, Jill & Phil McLain

**Greeters:** Sue Maiocchi and Renee Goodnight

## FINANCIALS FOR MARCH

**YTD Income** \$72,663.78

**YTD Expenses** \$76,510.59

**YTD Budget** \$79,904.76

**Last week's attendance:** 4/13/2025

**Worship AM - 166**

**Sunday School - 76**

**The Last Supper - 300**

# SERMON NOTES

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH SESSION - ACTIVE ELDERS

**Raegan Swaringen**

**Dave Ellington**

**Lynn Sechler**

**Cookie Hamilton**

**Chris Lowder**

**Ken Sparks**

**Sue Maiocchi**

**Phil McLain**

**Jeff Barnhardt, Clerk**

**Pastor Eddie Spencer, Moderator**



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