



**WESTMINSTER**  
**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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Durham, North Carolina

March 31, 2024

*Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day*



“Easter Morning” by Cara B. Hochhalter, 2019. From “Art in the Christian Tradition,” Vanderbilt Divinity Library

# The Service of Worship

\* *Please rise in body or in spirit as you are able.*

*Please observe silence and turn off mobile devices during the preludes.*

*Large print Bibles and hymnals and assistive listening devices are available upon request. Please see an usher.*

## ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

### PRELUDE

Settings of Three Easter Hymns

*The Strife Is O'er*

*Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing*

*Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain*

March (from *Auf, schmetternde Töne*, BWV 207a)

*Westminster Brass Ensemble & Organ*

Patti Lingafelt

Don Hustad

Paul Manz

Wilbur Held

J.S. Bach; arr. S. Drummond Wolff

### GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Tuttle

MUSIC FOR REFLECTION: Hymn 235, vs. 1 with Alleluias

O FILII ET FILIAE

***Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!***

**O sons and daughters, let us sing**

**With heavenly hosts to Christ our King;**

**Today the grave has lost its sting! *Alleluia! Alleluia!***

\* CALL TO WORSHIP *Adapted from Psalm 118*

Page Page [8:30am], Dana Lange [11:00am]

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

**This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.**

**This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Christ has risen.

**Christ has risen indeed!**

\* THE HYMN

*Jesus Christ is Risen Today*

EASTER HYMN; arr. Robert J. Powell

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!

Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!

Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!

Sinners to redeem and save, Alleluia!

3. But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!

Our salvation have procured, Alleluia!

Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!

Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!

Praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!

Praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia!

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!

### THE ACT OF CONFESSION

Alex Stayer-Brewington

Why do we confess our sin?

**Because all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.**

But why do we do this together?

**Because we are a community, a covenant people.**

Then let us confess our sin.

**Risen Rabbi, bring new life where we are worn and tired; new love where we have turned hard-hearted; forgiveness where we feel hurt and where we have wounded; and the joy of freedom in your Holy Spirit where we are prisoners of ourselves. Amen.**

### A TIME OF PERSONAL SILENT CONFESSION

### KYRIE ELEISON

arr. David N. Johnson

**Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.**

THE ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\* THE GLORIA PATRI No. 581

## PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Marietta Wynands [8:30am]

[11:00am] THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Words of Introduction

Helen Tharrington

Profession of Faith

Claire Siburt

Promises of the Parents

Michael & Claire Siburt

Congregational Promises

Do you, the congregation of Westminster Presbyterian Church, promise to guide Claire in the Christian faith, and undertake with Michael and Claire the responsibility for the Christian nurture of Will, Emma, and Noah? Do you? **We do.**

Do you promise to try to set before Claire, Will, Emma, and Noah an example of faithful discipleship, that their ties with the church may be strengthened? Do you? **We do.**

Promises of the Children

Do you, the children of Westminster Presbyterian Church, promise to get to know Will, Emma, and Noah, to play with them, to share your love with them, and teach them about God as they grow? Do you? **We do.**

The Baptism

Introduction to the Congregation

Presentation of Gift from the Congregation

A Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Rev. Anna Jarvis

*Following the baptisms at the 11:00am service, children 4 yrs-1st grade are invited to  
Godly Play in the Church Parlor. Younger children may join the nursery in Mission Center Room G7.*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

**Jesus Christ, you live! You live and reign over all, and sustain us with the greatest love the world has ever known. Hold us in that love as we listen today. Show us how we might be faithful. Amen.**

READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE

Psalms 118:21-27

ANTHEM

*Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded*

IN DIR IST FREUDE by G.G. Gastoldi

Day of delight and beauty unbounded, tell the news, the gospel spread!

text by Delores Dufner

Day of all wonder, day of all splendor, praise Christ risen from the dead!

Sing of the sun from darkness appearing; sing of the seed from barren earth greening;

Sing of creation, alleluia! Sing of the stream from Jesus' side flowing;

Sing of the saints in water made holy; sing of salvation, alleluia!

Day of delight. . .

Sing now of mourning turned into dancing; sing now the mystery, hope of our glory;

Sing with thanksgiving, alleluia! Sing now of fasting turned into feasting;

Sing the Lord's favor lasting forever; sing, all things living, alleluia!

*The Chancel Choir*

READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Mark 16:1-8

The Word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

Chris Tuttle

MOMENTS OF SILENCE

\* THE HYMN NO. 248

*Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!*

HYMN TO JOY

## RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

### \* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*From "A Declaration of Faith"*

We declare that Jesus is Lord. His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life. His lordship is hidden. The world appears to be dominated by people and systems that do not acknowledge his rule. But his lordship is real. It demands our loyalty and sets us free from the fear of all lesser lords who threaten us. We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

### BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Cheryl Barton Henry

O God, our times are in your hands. Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Birthday Hymn

African-American spiritual

I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!  
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE 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.

### INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

Thankam Rangala

*If you would like to give your offering online, please visit <https://www.wpcdurham.org/give>.*

### OFFERTORY

*Because You Live, O Christ*

Dutch melody, arr. Alice Parker

Because you live, O Christ, the garden of the world has come to flower;  
The darkness of the tomb is flooded with your resurrection power.  
The stone has rolled away and death cannot imprison!  
O sing this Easter day, for Jesus Christ has risen!

text by Shirley Erena Murray

Because you live O Christ, the spirit bird of hope is freed for flying;  
Our cages of despair no longer keep us closed and life-denying.  
The stone has rolled away. . .  
Because you live, O Christ, the rainbow of your peace will span creation;  
The colors of your love will draw all humankind to adoration.  
The stone has rolled away. . .

*The Chancel Choir*

### \* DOXOLOGY

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

### \* PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## GO IN GOD'S NAME

### \* THE HYMN NO. 238

*Thine is the Glory*

JUDAS MACCABEUS

### \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

### \* MUSICAL BLESSING: Hymn 235, vs. 5

O FILII ET FILIAE

*Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

On this most holy day of days,  
To God your hearts and voices raise,  
In laud and jubilee and praise. *Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## POSTLUDE

*Triumphal March* (from *Judas Maccabeus*)

G.F. Handel; arr. S.D. Wolff

*Westminster Brass Ensemble & Organ*

*Finale*, excerpt (*Symphony No. 1 for Organ*)

Louis Vierne

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Many thanks to our **Chancel Choir** and **Brass Ensemble** for the beautiful Easter music! Brass players are Jim Ketch and Jack Walker, trumpets; Tom Shaffer, French horn; Blair Chesnut, trombone; and Irv Eisen, tuba.

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## WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

### Today

#### 8:30am Service

**Ushers** Dave Pottenger, Jeff & Marsha Scouten

**Lector** Page Page

**Offering Counter** Betsy Ahern

#### 11:00am Service

**Welcome Station** Rebekah Perry

**Ushers** Jennifer & Tim Miller,  
Cathy Snider, *Volunteer needed*

**Lector** Dana Lange

**Offering Counters** Rebekah Perry, Kevin Rosemond

**AV Technicians** Ryan Steck, Wes Bolton

### April 7 – Youth Sunday

#### 8:30am Service

**Ushers & Lector** WPC Youth

**Offering Counter** Kristen Klein

#### 11:00am Service

**Welcome Station, Ushers, Lector** WPC Youth

**Offering Counters** Mike Meyen, *Volunteer needed*

**AV Technicians** Devin Hatcher, *Volunteer needed*

**Sanctuary Flowers** WPC Flower Guild

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## EASTER LILY DEDICATIONS

By Betsy Ahern in memory of Alan Ahern and my sister, Mary Anne Woodward

By Ruth & John Caccavale in memory of Helen Hildebrand and Jean Wilford  
and in honor of Jean Caccavale

By Joye Hodges Douthart in loving memory of my mother, Joyce Nobles Hodges

By the Dunk Family in memory of Jim Kahal

By Suzanne Graham in memory of my parents, Betty and Henry Halboth

By Phyllis Grube in memory of my beautiful daughter, Debbie

By Susan and Tom Hewitt in memory of Barbara Parcell Sloat

By Dean Lanier in memory of Verne Lanier, loving husband, father, doctor, and friend

By Ann Lehw in memory of my brother, Jim Gordon

By Kenneth W. Lundstrom in memory of my wife, Kathryn

By Betsy Mangum in memory of Tommy Mangum

By Carol Mansfield in memory of Barbara and Don Belt and Greg Goldsmith

By Kirsten, Rick, and Hannah Overholt in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Archie Sweeney and Mrs. Barbara Overholt

By Sara Pottenger in memory of Nancy and David Pottenger and Mary and John Tatum

By Thankam Rangala in memory of Arianna Sutton

By Barb Schmidt in memory of Frank and Dylan and in celebration of Jace

By Michele Smith in memory of John Thomas Council, Jr.

By Woody Warburton in memory of Heidi and Franki Warburton, Sam and Shirley Warburton,  
and Paul and Jean Hesser

By Andrew Yarbrough in memory of Doreen Yarbrough

# What's up at Westminster

OPPORTUNITIES TO  
WORSHIP, GROW, CONNECT, SERVE

## Easter Sunday Celebration

**Make butterflies to decorate the cross in the Courtyard!**

8:30am Worship with Chancel Choir & Brass Ensemble

9:30am Easter Potluck Brunch

10:10am Children's Storytime

10:20am Egg Hunt for Children 4 years and younger

10:30am Egg Hunt for Children 5-9 years

11:00am Worship with Chancel Choir & Brass Ensemble

### Easter Offering for Music Mission Kiev, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and World Relief Durham

Violence escalates in and around Israel and Palestine. The war in Ukraine enters its third year. Immigrants worldwide seek refuge and a place to call "home" here in our own Durham, NC when home and life in their own country is no longer viable. The Global Mission Committee, through our Westminster Easter Offering, seeks to address these three wrenching issues. From the funds gathered, we will send help to [Music Mission Kiev's](#) war relief efforts, to [Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's Israel/Palestine](#) response, and to [World Relief Durham](#), which works with refugees settling in the Durham area. As we remember Christ's resurrection, join us as we bring hope to some of our world's most hurting places. You may contribute one of three ways:

- Through myWPC, choose the fund "Easter Offering" and complete your transaction.
- To give through your text messaging, text **WPCDURHAM Easter** and the amount you wish to give to **73256**. Standard text messaging rates may apply.
- Write a check to WPC with "Easter Offering" in the memo line and place it in the offering plate or deliver it to the church office by Wednesday, April 3.



### NEXT SUNDAY: WPC Youth Lead Worship + a Fellowship and Fundraising Feast!



Westminster's youth have been working hard to write liturgy and sermons and preparing to lead worship for both services next Sunday. Don't miss this opportunity to hear the perspectives and rejoice in the talents of these wonderful young people! Immediately following the 11:00am worship service, gather in the Fellowship Hall for a delicious fundraiser feast of soup, salad, and desserts. There will also be a cake auction! Come and break bread with your WPC family, congratulate our brilliant youth, and help support the Youth Group. All proceeds go toward ensuring that our youth summer trips remain accessible to and affordable for everyone. No RSVP needed – just show up and bring all your friends!



## Celebrate Earth Day Five Ways with WPC!

### #1: Help Refresh the Church Landscape and Flower Beds

Spring is here, and it's time to refresh the church's landscape and flower beds. You can help by donating plants from your yard as you thin out clumps and rework beds of perennials and plantings. We want to emphasize native plants, but are pleased to receive Lenten Roses, milkweed, and other bedding plants and shrubs.

Contact Helen Harrison ([heh@adornments.biz](mailto:heh@adornments.biz)) or Diana Monroe ([DianaLMonroe@gmail.com](mailto:DianaLMonroe@gmail.com)) to arrange a time to donate your plants – they will gladly help you dig up plants and transport them to the church.

### #2: Participate in Aperture on Earth Care with The ReCollective, Wednesday, April 17, 7:00pm

Meet founder Bryce Brooks and get introduced to the work and mission of The ReCollective, an organization that picks up your hard-to-recycle items that would otherwise be landfill-bound and ensures they are reused or recycled in earth-friendly and responsible ways. Watch for registration coming soon, or contact Mariette Wynands ([marietta@wpcdurham.org](mailto:marietta@wpcdurham.org)).



### #3: Join the "Refresh the Church Landscape" Workday Crew, Saturday, April 20, 9:00am-Noon

Calling "green thumb" helpers and all volunteers who love the earth! Help move fresh soil to the planting areas, prepare them for new plants, carry water buckets, and tidy up the flower beds. This project is sponsored by the WPC Earth Care Team. For more information, contact Diana Monroe ([DianaLMonroe@gmail.com](mailto:DianaLMonroe@gmail.com)), Helen Harrison ([heh@adornments.biz](mailto:heh@adornments.biz)), or Peggy Force ([pegforce2022@gmail.com](mailto:pegforce2022@gmail.com)).

### #4: Stop and Learn at WPC's Earth Care Expo, Sunday, April 21, 9:30am-12:30pm

Drop by the WPC Terrace before or after church to enjoy a **LocoPop** treat, and learn how you can become a better steward of God's creation! Pick up resources and products to try at home, play a trash-vs-recycling sorting game, and find out how you can help redirect waste from the landfill and reduce the number of garbage trucks on the road each week. Pick up a reusable tote bag for restaurant leftovers made by Mission Stitches from repurposed material – just add your own container to cut back on hard-to-reuse restaurant food containers. Help make Durham a cleaner place to live, and celebrate WPC's new PC(USA) Certification as an Earth Care Congregation!



### #5: Hike the Eno, Sunday, April 21, 2:00pm

Let's head to [Eno River State Park](#)! We'll walk along the river towards Holden's Mill Trail. There will be options for those who prefer shorter or longer hikes, from 1.5 to 4 miles. If you like, bring a bag lunch and join Marietta on the Terrace after the 11:00am worship service! Park at the end of Cole Mill Road. Questions about the trail? Contact Laurie Leadbetter ([ltleadbetter@gmail.com](mailto:ltleadbetter@gmail.com)).

Register at <https://bit.ly/wpcenohike> (registration isn't required, but it's helpful so we'll know to watch for you).



### Communion Moved to April 14

With Youth Sunday happening on April 7, the Worship Committee approved moving communion to the second Sunday next month, April 14.

### Conversations with Congregation on the Future of WPC's Music Ministry

1<sup>st</sup> conversation: 12:30pm Sunday, April 14, Choir Room

2<sup>nd</sup> conversation: 7:00pm Tuesday, April 16, Choir Room

Come share your thoughts and ideas! Contact Marietta Wynands if you need childcare.



### Wild Wonder Creation Care Camp

July 8-12, 9:00am-12:00pm

For children K-5th grade + preschool group for younger siblings (3½-5 yrs)

Scan the code for details and registration!



## WESTMINSTER THIS WEEK

### Sunday, March 31 – Resurrection of the Lord/Easter Day

**Bring flowers and make butterflies for the cross!**

- 8:15am Nursery opens for infants and toddlers – Room G7
- 8:30am Worship – Sanctuary  
Chancel Choir & Westminster Brass Ensemble
- 9:30am Easter Potluck Brunch – Fellowship Hall
- 10:00am Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Music Room/Sanctuary
- 10:10am Children's Easter Storytime – Terrace
- 10:20am Egg Hunt for Children 4 yrs and younger
- 10:30am Egg Hunt for Children 5–9 yrs
- 11:00am Worship – Sanctuary/YouTube  
Chancel Choir & Westminster Brass Ensemble  
Siburt Family Baptism  
Godly Play (4 yrs–1st gr) – Parlor

### Monday, April 1 – Church Office Closed

- 9:30am Monday Morning Bible Study – Room 105
- 7:00pm Westminster Ringers Rehearsal – Music Room

### Tuesday, April 2

- 10:00am WPC Staff Meeting – Room 105
- 7:00pm Congregational Care Committee – Zoom  
Prayer Shawl Committee – Parlor

### Wednesday, April 3

- 2:00pm Emanuel Food Pantry's Food Distribution  
**Sign up to serve:** <https://bit.ly/IglesiaPresEmanuel>  
**Donate beans & rice:** <https://bit.ly/EFPbeans-rice>
- 3:45pm M&Ms (gr 1–3) – Playground/Calhoon Cabin
- 7:00pm Global Missions Committee – Zoom

### Thursday, April 4

- 9:30am Doorways – Parlor
- 3:45pm M&M 'Smoes (gr 4–5) – Playground/Room 205
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal – Music Room

### Friday, April 5

- 6:30pm Game Night Supper Club – Parlor/Room 105

### Saturday, April 6

- 11:00am Memorial Service for Norman Gaddis – Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall

### Sunday, April 7 – Second Sunday of Easter, Youth Sunday

- 8:15am Nursery opens for infants and toddlers – Room G7
- 8:30am Worship – Sanctuary
- 9:45am Church School for All Ages – Mission Center
- 11:00am Worship – Sanctuary/YouTube  
Godly Play (4 yrs–gr 1) – Parlor
- 12:15pm Youth Group Fundraising Lunch – Fellowship Hall  
Fellowship Committee – Parlor



**Worship Volunteers needed!**  
**Scan the code to sign up now** 😊

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