



“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory to God!”

Welcome !



We are so glad that you decided to share with us in worship today! Whether we are young or old, longtime worshipers or here for the first time, whether we come full of joy or confidence or doubts or sorrow, in this place, by the grace and mercy of God-in-Christ, we are family.

Feel at peace in how you express praise for the Lord! Whether quiet and reflective, clapping hands and stomping feet, shouts of praise and utterances to God, in this place, by the loving acceptance of Jesus, we are family. Please feel at home!

We hope to see you here again soon.
Anyone who is interested in joining this part of Christ's church should speak to the pastor or one of the elders.

If we can assist you - through prayer, a phone call or a listening ear - please let us know what help we may provide. Call the church: 540.342.0264, or speak to one of us after worship.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
(2 Corinthians 13:14, NIV)



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Palm Sunday/Passion Sunday

April 14, 2019

Musician Mr. Frederick Bolden
Pastor The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

Organ Prelude and Lighting of Candles

Scripture Sentences

Chimes

Preparation for Worship (responsive)

Zechariah 9:9

Pastor Rejoice, greatly, O daughter of Zion!
People: *Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!*
Pastor: Lo, your King comes to you;
People: *Triumphant and victorious is he,*
Pastor: humble and riding on a donkey,
People: *on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*
All: **Let us worship God!**

Call to Worship (unison): Merciful God, as we enter Holy Week and gather at your house of prayer, turn our hearts and our minds again to Jerusalem, to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Thank you for your great love which created us, redeemed us, and sustains us in our walk of faith. May our worship be pleasing to you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.

***Gathering in Song**

"Majesty"

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Welcome and Recognition of Visitors

*** Passing of the Peace +**

Pastor: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: *And also with you!*

ALL: ***Let us now share the peace of God with one another.***

(Congregation greets one another, exchanging words of peace.)

Announcements and Celebrations

Worship in Song

"Rockin' In Jerusalem"

The Choir

Prayer Concerns

Invitation to Prayer (unison)

(from Isaiah 53:4-5)

"Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows...the punishment that brought us peace was laid upon him, and by his wounds we are healed." These words speak to us today as we try to live our lives, sometimes not knowing if we have done right or if we can live right. These words speak to us when we are hurting and feel as though we have no value to any one. These words speak to us when we feel isolated and afraid. These words remind us to trust God's promise of forgiveness, wholeness, and healing in Him.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

All: 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.

Prayer Response

"He is Lord"

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WE PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Scripture Lesson

Luke 19:28-40

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Special Music

"Jesus is Mine"

The Choir

Prayer for Illumination

The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

Sermon

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn of Commitment** *"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"* # 91 **Blue**
(tune: *"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"*, # 426)

***An Affirmation of Faith** *from Philippians 2:5-11*

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be held onto, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of a human being.

And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.

Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

*** Gloria Patri**..... *"Glory Be to the Father"* # 623

*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.

The Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

*** Offertory Prayer** The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

*** Choral Response**

All things come of Thee, O Lord; and of Thine own have we given Thee.

WE GO OUT TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS

***Charge and Benediction** The Rev. Vernie Bolden, Jr.

We Carry Our Light Into the World *"This Little Light of Mine"*

*Those who are able may stand

+ Late worshipers seated



For 70 years, **One Great Hour of Sharing** has been one of the most important offerings in the Presbyterian Church. The gifts you give enable the church to share God's love to our neighbors-in-need, at home and around the world, who are experiencing disaster, hunger, and oppression.

The programs supported by this offering are:

- (1) Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
- (2) The Hunger Program
- (3) Self Development of People.

Easter Sunday, April 21

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance responds to disaster throughout the world, whether it is on our own North Carolina coast, the mass shooting in Las Vegas, volcanoes in Guatemala or tsunamis in Indonesia. Various volunteer teams help with a number of issues. Among them are mental health and spiritual care in great need after loss of lives and homes. (For example in the California Camp Fire, 10,000 homes were destroyed, 5,300 evacuated, and 79 people killed.) Further there is help getting access to basic services and temporary housing as well as mobilizing congregations to provide various types of care.

Presbyterian Hunger Program helps the church respond to the violence of hunger and poverty. Its mission is clear: alleviate hunger and eliminate its causes. Tools used to do so include direct food relief, sustainable development and living, advocacy, and education.

Self-Development of People is a ministry that affirms God's concern for humankind. Poverty and oppression are addressed through partnerships with groups of disadvantaged low income people, also suffering injustice, who want to change their lives and communities. One funded project is in Gainesville, Alabama where a community garden will be established and a trainer hired to help combat diabetes, heart disease, and obesity among its residents. Another is in the Dominican Republic where education and training in technical skills are being taught to help alleviate very poor economic conditions.

One Great Hour of Sharing gifts impact people's lives throughout the world. Sharing the good news of Christ is our mission and our command. Give, Act, and Pray are watchwords for us to obey.

PRAYER CONCERNS

For our nation and its leadership, for our state and local officials, and those elected to national office— **for wisdom and compassion, for a spirit of cooperation; *for a capacity to seek the greater good*** instead of personal gain; for families who are separated

For the leaders of other countries, and the efforts of all who seek to bring peace to the world—for Russia; for Venezuela; for North and South Korea; for Iran; for Israel/Palestine; for Syria; ***for The Congo***

For our enemies, both personal and national, including terrorists

For our pastor and his family; for our ministry together

For unity in the Church, cooperation among denominations, for people of other faiths and for those who have no faith

For all who mourn the deaths of loved ones and friends: for victims of violence: *for people in our own Roanoke & SW Virginia region; victims of mass shootings throughout the world; the families who have lost their homes and loved ones in wildfires; survivors of earthquakes, hurricanes & floods* and manmade accidents, & for those who work to help them rebuild their lives; for those suffering from famine and hunger; *for refugees*

For those battling cancer & other health and life-challenging issues, for those dealing with depression, with addiction, for those recovering from illness or surgery: Priscilla Preston, Terry Campbell, Audra Williams, Ernestine Johnson, Pat Brown (Ruth's sister), Carolyn Coleman (cousin of Joyce & Fred), Rev. Dusty Fiedler, Anita Pendleton, The Roberson family, Ruth Hilton, Brenda Williams, Jackie Manns, Harold Robertson, Paul Witting (with Parkinson's); Robert Woodworth; health care workers and researchers; for the elderly

For our children and youth; for their teachers & school staff; for those in our neighborhood; for those who work with young people and seek to bring them to Christ and to nurture their faith in him

For our service men and women and their families

For those who seek employment, for the under-employed, for the homeless, for those who are in fear of losing their homes or their jobs; for those under stress at work and at home.

For broken hearts and broken relationships; for those absent from our fellowship for any reason.

Announcements & Celebrations

Easter Sunday Worship will be celebrated at 8:00 a.m.*

A potluck brunch will follow in the Fellowship Hall!

Forming Faith Bible Study - Tuesdays at 6 pm.

Come and grow with us!

The Pastor's Office hours are by appointment—contact vernlee3@hotmail.com, or call the office—540.342.0264

The Choir meets as announced. Come join the fellowship.

Remember: No one should have to choose between paying rent and feeding their family. Bring a food offering to share with those who need our help.

Maundy Thursday Communion Service, April 18, 7 pm, at Northminster Presbyterian Church. The Rev. Vernie Bolden Jr., will preach.



**Remember our Shut-Ins/Friends
with a call, a card, a visit, your prayers**

<u>Mr. Bob Hale</u> —Salem Health & Rehabilitation Center, 1945 Roanoke Blvd, Salem VA 24153	556-6680
<u>Mr. Jim Slaughter</u> —1219 Grayson Ave NW (24017)	366-0391
<u>Ms. Shirley Calhoun</u> —3087 Ordway Drive # J (24017)	362-0617

Why do we ring the chimes?

For centuries, churches have used bells to announce to the whole community that it is time for worship. Bells, or chimes, tell us it is time to cease our chatter so that we can focus on the reason we are here: we have come to worship a sovereign God who demands our full attention.

We sound our chimes three times, once for each member of

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

(Isaiah 53:4-5, RSV)



Holy Week Quiz—"Up from the Grave He Arose!"

The four gospels have differing accounts of the disciples' discovery of the Resurrection. Find your answers in Matthew 27:62-67; 28:1-20; Mark 16:1-20; John 20:24-28 (provided by Phillip Claytor—from "House to House Heart to Heart" www.housetohouse.com/up-from-the-grave-he-rose)

1. Pilate set a watch over the tomb at the request of _____.
2. Why did Mary Magdalene and Mary (James' mother) go to the tomb when the Sabbath was past?
3. Who moved the stone from the tomb?
4. Who went with Zebedee's wife and the mother of James & John to the tomb?
5. Who told Mary that Jesus was not in the tomb but was risen?
6. "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified; he is _____; he is _____; behold the place where they laid him."
7. With what two emotions did the women leave the empty tomb? (Matt 28:8)
8. To whom did Jesus first appear after his resurrection? (Mark 16:9)
9. As the women went to tell Jesus' followers that Jesus had risen, who did they meet on the way?
10. What was the disciples' response when told that Jesus had risen? (Mark 16:11)
11. Why did the guards report that the disciples had stolen the body?
12. Jesus had promised to meet his disciples where?
13. Which disciple would not believe unless he could see the nail marks?
14. Who did Jesus reprimand for not believing in the resurrection after others had seen Him?
15. Jesus said, "_____ power is given unto me in heaven and in _____."
16. "Go ye into _____ the world, and preach the _____ to every creature."
17. "Go ye therefore, and _____ all nations, _____ them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."
18. "Teaching them to observe _____ things that I have commanded you."
19. At the end of Mark's gospel, where is Jesus sitting?