

Church of the Resurrection

From the Rafters



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Dear Church of the Resurrection Family,

At our first Lenten Supper, The Rt. Rev. Charlie vonRosenberg told a fabulous story about our parish. One day he was in uptown when a man approached him. The man asked him what church he pastored. Bishop von Rosenberg said the church down the street, pointing at our church. The man said, "I know that church, that is the church that feeds people!"

That is still true today, although the Soup Kitchen is not physically in our building anymore, we do feed people physically with our casserole ministry, fellowship events, coffee hour, blessing box, the list goes on and on! But more than that we feed people spiritually and with our desire to help our neighbors. One of our many ministries that feels very alive in this moment is our Tutoring Program. This program was the dream of Chris Jayne. Chuck McDonnell continued that dream. Elizabeth Floyd took the program to the next level and now Cate Hamilton is leading our program beautifully!

This summer we are hiring high school students to tutor children in Greenwood that are in need for a little more help during the summer months. We can hire these students through a very generous gift from one of our members. Every Monday and Wednesday from 10-12, for eight weeks, our church will be the host of our Summer Tutoring Program. The main focal point will be tutoring, but there will be play, food and Bible Study. If you would like to volunteer time or snacks, please reach out to Cate Hamilton: cate2hammy@gmail.com.

I am so excited about this program and how we as a community continue to be the church "that feeds people," - in all sorts of ways! Keep dreaming, keep loving each other, keep spreading the good news of Jesus Christ!

Love, Mary Balfour +



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Reflections from Celie Mescall, Parishioner

I love the analogy “life is like a train.” Certainly, it is with all of its joys and sorrows but what about the physical train itself? What is in each of the cars that make up the train that travel with us throughout life? Family, friends, interests, hobbies, church and God....and the content changes all of the time, right?

For me, being in the Catholic Church for 50+ years, the routine had become stale. It consisted of the Sunday mass ritual, reciting prayers and receiving communion. That was it. My relationship with God was not growing by going to church. That is when I made the decision to disconnect my “church car” altogether, convinced that I could maintain my relationship with God without it.

This period lasted about 8 years and in looking back, my life had become devoid of God. I was very self-centered as the boss of my life, orchestrating every move...or so I thought. I did not believe or trust that God could run my life. My prayer life was sporadic at best, and I was struggling.

For some crazy reason (aka God at work), after moving from Lake Greenwood to town, church shopping resumed. Emmanuel Lutheran was first and after my visit there, I received a hand-written note from the pastor thanking me for coming and encouraging me to reach out to him. I was in shock, a first for sure! Next up was Resurrection. Nicholas Beasley was still here, and I was welcomed and asked my name. Upon returning weeks later, I was called by my name, another unique experience! I started attending intermittently when the interim priests were here, but then a friend informed me that a woman rector was hired. This was new and fresh for me, the little Catholic girl that always wished women could become priests. I was excited.

It was now COVID and with my dog Cotton and Mom in tow, we were coming every Sunday to outside services on a regular basis. But how would this be anything different than another church? I'll tell you how.

One of the keys to having this church experience be different centered around conversations with Mary Balfour, where she challenged me to be part of the many ministries that were going on at Resurrection. It was always with the attitude of “try this out and see if you like it.” No pressure. Next, I was trying new things I had never done before in a church community like serving on altar guild, delivering flowers and reading in church. When I was asked if I wanted to be received by the Episcopal Church, I was given the opportunity to choose what church community I wanted to be part of my life but also to permanently leave behind the familiar. It was a little scary and exciting at the same time.

Church of the Resurrection is not just a church. It is an incredibly loving and life-giving body of people. This body of beautiful people have brought into my life so many new changes. Most importantly, it has brought a deepening of my relationship with God. It happened through the book studies, Lenten series, joining the choir and even the courtyard concerts. All of these nuggets have fed my faith journey.

I've now officially fired myself as the boss of my life. Instead of just a “church car” being added back into my train, I've added a true relationship with God which has come directly through my church family.

I've heard the words “He's Got This” a million times before in my life but now I finally believe it.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

HOLY WEEK Schedule of Services

April 13 Palm Sunday
(Rite I at 8:30am & Rite II at 10:30am)

April 17 at 6pm
Maundy Thursday

April 18 at 12pm
Good Friday

April 19 at 10:30am
Holy Saturday

April 20 Easter
(Rite I at 8:30am & Rite II at 10:30am)



Lenten Supper Series "Sharing Our Past: A Look Back at Resurrection over the Years"

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS DURING LENT

6PM-7PM

\$5 PER PERSON; \$15 PER FAMILY

APRIL 2 - THE REVEREND PETER HAWES,

FORMER RECTOR

APRIL 9 - LESLIE JUUL MERRILL,

CHURCH MEMBER

Holy Eucharist AT WESLEY COMMONS

Tuesday, April 8th

Tuesday, May 13th

11am

*No Eucharist in June, July or August

All are welcome, even if you are not a resident
of the community!

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UPCOMING EVENTS




NEW DAUGHTERS OF THE KING CLASS: 12 SESSIONS BEGINNING IN MAY

What we do? You will find us in the kitchen, the classrooms, the office, or visiting homebound, fund-raising, and serving wherever!

As well as having good, clean fun!

We are open to new Daughters and will have a chance for you to learn more this spring and summer.

Please contact Sandy (chichi5870@wctel.net) by Easter Sunday, April 20th.



UPCOMING MONTHLY HEALING SERVICES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9
AND WEDNESDAY, MAY 7
12 P M

Primetimers

Thursday, April 10th at
11:30am
with Chris Hammett with
County Bank

Discussing Senior Scams and Security

RSVP to Denise Brown at
denise@episcopalgreenwood.org

APRIL SECOND SUNDAY GIVING CAMPAIGN BENEFITING COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

To donate visit,
<https://communityinitiatives.charityproud.org/donate>

ITEMS NEEDED:

NOTEBOOKS, PENCILS, ERASERS, WASHABLE MARKERS,
SCISSORS, GLUE STICKS, CONSTRUCTION PAPER, PENS,
AND TAPE
ANTI-BACTERIAL WIPES, LYSOL, PAPER TOWELS, KLEENEX
AND TOILET PAPER



APRIL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	April 6 The Fifth Sunday in Lent	April 13 The Sunday of the Passion: Palm Sunday	April 20 Easter Sunday	April 27 The Second Sunday of Easter
Vestry of the Month	Sarah Hasting and Stephen Tucker			
Altar Guild	Susu Wallace (Chair), Anne Magruder, Marilyn Bennett, Julia Ball, Beverly Wilson			
Readings	Isaiah 43: 16-21 Psalm 126 Philippians 3: 4b-14 John 12: 1-8	Isaiah 50: 4-9a Psalm 31: 9-16 Philippians 2: 5-11 Luke 19: 28-40	Isaiah 65: 17-25 Psalm 118: 1-2, 14, 24 John 20: 1-18 Luke 24: 1-12	Acts 5: 27-32 Psalm 118: 14-29 Revelation 1: 4-8 John 20: 19-31
8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I				
1st Lesson and Psalm	Dean Faden	Graham Duncan	Stephen Tucker	Dick Daffin
2nd Lesson and Prayers	Ashley Woodiwiss	Mary Bright	Deryl McGuire	Dick Daffin
E.M.	Ashley Woodiwiss	Mary Bright	Chuck McDonnell	Tom Rohrer
Usher	Deryl McGuire	Walker Moore	Dean Faden	Stephen Tucker
10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II				
1st Lesson	Connie Hammett	Mary Charles Haigler	Gracey Montag	Celie Mescall
2nd Lesson and Prayers	Barry Wilson	Lucas McMillan	Dawn Puderbaugh-Hodges	Catie Robertson
Eucharistic Ministers	Eddie Barber Laura Beth Brooks	Norm Fawcett Cindy Hughes	Karen Whitfield Frank Wideman	Trisha Craven Beverly Wilson
Crucifer	William Wooten	Samantha Hasting	Breydan Smith	Samantha Hasting
Book Bearer	John Cobb	Carolyn Hasting	TBA	Carolyn Hasting
Torchbearers	Maggie and Susie Rochester	Margaret Ann Hasting	Maggie and Susie Rochester	Margaret Ann Hasting
Acolyte Leader	Adrian Little	Sarah Hasting	Jennifer Little	Sarah Hasting
Ushers	Summer & Archie Booker	Abney Wallace John Cobb	Salley & Richard Cathcart	Allen Hughes Tom Cobb
Nursery	Sherri Ward & Delaney Floyd	Aly Haigler Mary Bright	Hope Scurry Delaney Floyd	Allison Wooten Mary Bright
Hospitality	Marilyn Bennett & Billy DuPre	Adele Moraeu	Fellowship Committee	Beverly Wilson
Blessing Box	Josie Ryan	Josie Ryan	Josie Ryan	Josie Ryan
Flower Guild	N/A	N/A	Pastoral Care Committee	Ginger Long
Flower Delivery	N/A	N/A	Pastoral Care Committee	Susu Wallace
Laundry Love	Adele Moreau	Susie Hinkle	Sandy Moore	Celie Mescall

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES YOU

April Birthdays

- 1-Adele Moreau, Maggie Snipes-Rochester, Callie Turner
- 4-Sandra Daffin
- 6-Connie Hammett, Cecily Hughes
- 7-Al Hipp, Camilla Newton
- 8-Pam Barchi, Sandra Lewis
- 9-Marty Cobb
- 10-Breydan Smith
- 13-St. Claire Donaghy
- 14-Susan Mulligan
- 15-Archie Booker
- 18-Lander Adams, Robin Lanford
- 21-Sandy Singletary
- 22-Lainey Davis, Shannon Jones
- 25-Domer Ridings
- 26-Greg Steifle
- 27-Anne Crowe, Katie Robertson
- 29-Johnny Holtzclaw
- 30-Mary Woodiwiss

April Anniversaries

- 2-Gerald and Donna Brooks
- 20-Glenn and St. Claire Donaghy
- 21-Whitfield and Lori Brooks
- 26-Aaron and Anne Crowe
- 27-Mike and Cathy Robertson
- 30-Stephen and Taylor Tucker

Financials ending March 21, 2025

	<u>Pledges</u> <u>(actual)</u>	<u>Pledges</u> <u>(budgeted)</u>	<u>Unpledged/Plate</u> <u>(actual)</u>	<u>Unpledged/</u> <u>plate</u> <u>(budgeted)</u>	<u>Expenses</u> <u>(actual)</u>	<u>Expenses</u> <u>(budgeted)</u>
Month as of 3/21/25	\$37,602	\$37,500	\$998	\$1,459	\$4,894	\$37,129
Year as of 3/21/25	\$122,141	\$112,500	\$5,402	\$4,375	\$100,043	\$112,319

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Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families:

Bill Arnold, Jim Bright, Bruce Craven, Paul Criswell, Steve Driskell, Joe Ferguson, Anne Marie Glawe, Jim Gobble, Nan Hines, David Joosten, Diane Lawson, Bill Lewis, Mirta Lindsey, Rita Marshall, Mary Jane Mobley, Helen Nazzaro, Erich Normandía, Bette and Burl Ricker, Domer Ridings, Mary Jo Tolbert, Shirley Walker, Michael Whitfield, Jimmy Arthur (Shannon Jones' father), Bryan Biggart (Karen Whitfield's son), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Dennis and Gwenda Dobbs (Ben Dobbs' parents), Chris Eaddy (Karen Bright's nephew), David Hammett (Connie Hammett's brother), Vanita Hunt (Dawn Puderbaugh-Hodges' mother), Cheri Hutchison (Jo Ann and Bob Brewer's daughter), Tammy Kelly (Michael Whitfield's niece), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Tommy Morgan (Robin Lanford's brother), JoAnn Lindsey Myers (Mirta Lindsey's daughter), Carol Ann Pry (Susie Hinkel's niece), Hayley Rillon (Granddaughter of Cindy & John Hughes), Jerry Ross (Ross Ann Steifle's uncle), Mason Shirley, Stacey Spillum (Jo Ann Brewer's niece), Cathy Strong (Lorah Perry's stepdaughter), David Walker (Hope Scurry's brother) and Faith Wheeler (sister of Sarah McKinney and Steve Brodie).

And for these persons: Durham Bley (Wells and Ryan Anderson's friend), Durst Confer (Paul Criswell's friend), Nannette Earnest (Karen Bright's cousin), Ray Gambrell, Nancy May (Cindy Hughes' friend), Desmond Melville (Dean Faden's friend), Jenny Perkey (Cindy Hughes' friend), Dan Richardson (friend of John and Cindy Hughes) and Peter Westerbaan (friend of Salley Cathcart's).

April 13, Palm Sunday -The palms are given by Mary Jo Tolbert in memory of Joe Lincoln Tolbert, Jr. and Miss Margaret Allen Gaillard.

April 20, Easter Sunday-Flowers provided by parishioners flower fund.

April 27-To the glory of God and in Thanksgiving for our families and the Church of the Resurrection by Margaret and Reid Conrad

The presence candle for the month of April is given in memory of Anna Woodiwiss by Ashley and Mary Woodiwiss and her family.

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VESTRY MEMBERS

Salley Cathcart , Senior Warden
Charlie Long, Junior Warden
Michele Anderson
Diana Carver
Dick Daffin
Ryan Floyd
Sarah Hasting
Dawn Puderbaugh Hodges
Jean E. Shirley
Stephen Tucker
Kelly Wiseman
Beverly Wilson
Adrian Little, Vestry Clerk
Archie Booker, Treasurer

CLERGY AND STAFF

Mary Balfour Dunlap, Rector
Al Hipp, Deacon
Donna Brooks, Director of Music Ministry
Denise A. Brown, Administrative Assistant
Cate Hamilton, Director of Tutoring Program
Mary Allyn Hedges, Communications Coordinator
Cox Accounting, Financial Contractor
Mary Bright, Nursery Attendant
Delaney Floyd, Nursery Attendant
Catherine Brooks Sexton, RN, Parish Nurse