

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

COLLEGE PARK BAPTIST CHURCH

21 April 2019
 Mosaic
 11:00 AM
 Easter
 GATHER

Meditation of Preparation

I believe that imagination is stronger than knowledge. That myth is more potent than history. That dreams are more powerful than facts. That hope always triumphs over experience. That laughter is the only cure for grief. And I believe that love is stronger than death.

Robert Fulghum, *All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten*

Hope is the thing with feathers that perches in the soul and sings the tune without the words and never stops at all.

Emily Dickinson

The world is indeed full of peril, and in it there are many dark places; but still there is much that is fair, and though in all lands love is now mingled with grief, it grows perhaps the greater.

J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Fellowship of the Ring*

Lighting of the Candles

Grant Kirkman

Prelude

Christ Arose
 Bells Angels

Robert Lowry
 arr: Bill Ingram

Welcome and Announcements

Lin Story-Bunce

GRACE

Prelude

All Glory, Laud and Honor
 Bells Angels

arr: Barbara Baltzer Kinyon

★ Call to Worship

Dressed in our brightest we gather as a community of faith, O God, to sing to you Easter alleluias and to offer you our bright hope.

Christ is risen, bringing a deadening world to new life.

As we celebrate this good news with joy and gladness, reclothe us inwardly with the splendor of your compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience.

Above all, make us fashion statements of love, which bind everything together in perfect harmony.

We pray in the name of the one who is creating all things new.

★ Prayer of Thanksgiving

★ Response

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah
 (Repeat 2 times)

Halle Halle



★ Prayer for the World & Unison Response

Christ has set us free to live a free life. So take your stand! Never again let anyone put a harness of slavery on you. **What happens when we live God's way? God** brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in an orchard—things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop a willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely. Among those who belong to Christ, everything connected with getting our own way and mindlessly responding to what everyone else calls necessities is killed off for good—crucified. Gal. 5.1-12

★ Flowering Cross (Please bring your flowers to the front.)

Hymn 202	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>	CORONATION
Hymn 197	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i>	DARWALL
Hymn 161	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>	DIADEMATA
Hymn 159	<i>Christ the Lord Is Risen Today</i>	EASTER HYMN

GROW

New Testament Reading

John 20.1-18
 The Message (MSG)

Early in the morning on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone was moved away from the entrance. She ran at once to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, **breathlessly panting, "They took the Master from the tomb. We don't know where they've put him."** Peter and the other disciple left immediately for the tomb. They ran, neck and neck. The other disciple got to the tomb first, outrunning Peter. **Stooping to look in, he saw the pieces of linen cloth lying there, but he didn't go in.** Simon Peter arrived after him, entered the tomb, observed the linen cloths lying there, and the kerchief used to cover his head not lying with the linen cloths but separate, neatly folded by itself. Then the other disciple, the one who had gotten there first, went into the tomb, took one look at the evidence, and believed. No one yet knew from the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. The disciples then went back home. But Mary stood outside the tomb weeping. As she wept, she knelt to look into the tomb and saw two angels sitting there, dressed in white, one at the head, the **other at the foot of where Jesus' body had been laid. They said to her, "Woman, why do you weep?" "They took my Master," she said, "and I don't know where they put him." After she said this, she turned away and saw Jesus standing there. But she didn't recognize him.** Jesus spoke to her, "Woman, why do you weep? Who are you looking for?" She, thinking that he was the gardener, said, "Mister, if you took him, tell me where you put him so I can care for him." Jesus said, "Mary." Turning to face him, she said in Hebrew, "*Rabboni!*" meaning "Teacher!" Jesus said, "Don't cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father. Go to my brothers and tell them, 'I ascend to my Father and your Father, my God and your God.'"

Mary Magdalene went, telling the news to the disciples: "I saw the Master!" And she told them everything he said to her.

For the word of God in scripture,
 for the word of God among us,
 for the word of God within us,
 Thanks be to God.

Anthem

O Love
 Adult Choir

Elaine Hagenburg

Children's Sermon

Karlan Barker

Children ages 3 through 4th grade are invited to come to the front for the children's sermon. Afterwards, children aged 3 may go to the toddlers' room, children ages 4 through 1st grade may leave for children's worship (room 110), 2nd graders & older may return to their seats.

★ Glory to God #246

Christ is Alive

TRURO

Sermon

Opening Our Graves, Giving Us Back Our Past Michael Usey

Moment of Silence

"It's going to be all right, sir," Harry said over and over again, more worried by Dumbledore's silence than he had been by his weakened voice. "We're nearly there ... I can apparate us both back ... don't worry ... "I am not worried, Harry," said Dumbledore, his voice a little stronger despite the freezing water. "I am with you."

J.K. Rowling, *Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince*

GIVE

★ Baptist Hymn #160

Low in the Grave He Lay

CHRIST AROSE

★ Offertory Prayer

There is a saying in Tibetan, "Tragedy should be utilized as a source of strength." No matter what sort of difficulties, how painful experience is, if we lose our hope, that's our real disaster.

Dalai Lama XIV

Offertory

O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing

O Filli Et Filiae
 Traditional French Melody
 arr: Noel Rawsthorne

★ Response

Doxology 27

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise God all creatures here below; O praise God! Alleluia!
 Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
 Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost.
 O praise God, O praise God! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

★ Recognition of New Members

In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for you in this place. We offer you our love, our care, our kinship and our hopes. We hope to learn from you, give to you and receive from you, by God's grace. Thank God you are here!

GO

★ Benediction


Michael Usey

★ Response *You are Holy* Du Ar Helig

★ Postlude *Festival Postlude* Iouri Grichetchkine
Depart in Peace

The best way to not feel hopeless is to get up and do something. Don't wait for good things to happen to you. If you go out and make some good things happen, you will fill the world with hope, you will fill yourself with hope.
Barack Obama

Sunday Announcements



Creation. Care. Consideration.

Donate!
Donate your old household items so someone else can reuse them. **Don't just throw your old stuff in the trash. Consider selling it or giving it away to someone who can use it.** Donate clothes and household items to a charity or non-profit organization!

Adult Choir
Adult Choir rehearsals are Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm-9:00pm. Please see Christian McIvor if you're interested or feel free to just come to rehearsal!

No Youth Activities Tonight

No Wednesday Evening Activities this Week.

Social Committee Sign Up
Calling all introverts, extroverts and everyone in between! The Social Committee is looking for a few good people to help plan some (not all) social events for (and with) our College Park family. **We're also looking for a few fine baristas to make coffee for the Tessera service. Upside: All the coffee you want and you choose what everyone's drinking on the Sundays you serve. Apron and training included.** Interested in helping out? Contact Mary Herbenick at Mary.herbenick@gmail.com or at 336-337-4016. Thank YOU!!

Choir Concert
Our Adult Choir will be joining with the Sedge Garden United Methodist Church Choir for a concert of mostly new settings of traditional hymns. Join us on Sunday, May 5 at 3pm at Sedge Garden UMC in Kernersville! If you'd like to come but would prefer not to drive, please sign up on the sheet outside of Christian's office and the choir will arrange transportation for you. Admission is free and a love offering will be taken.

Bible 101 – Reading through the Bible
The Bible 101 Adult Sunday School class is reading through the book of Judges. The class meets on Sundays at 10am in Room 305. You are welcome to join us as we journey through the scriptures.

Women of Valor
The Women of Valor's new book, *Original Blessing* by Danielle Shroyer, is available for pick up. The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 23, 6:30pm at Lisa Elkins' home. Please bring a snack to share.



College Park Baptist Church fully welcomes and affirms all persons without distinction regarding race, ethnicity, national origin, class, sexual orientation, gender identity, or any other human category.
The Liturgist today is Adam Team.
The Deacon Greeter today is Randy Henderson.
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★ Please stand as you are able.



THE 13 VALUES OF OUR CHURCH

- Worship the Living God corporately and privately.
- Enjoy fellowship with a community of faith.
- Provide quality Christian education for all ages.
- Support varied missions activities both here and abroad.
- Encourage creativity.
- Honor the integrity of the family, in all its various forms.
- Value an inclusiveness of all who confess Jesus is Lord.
- Use excellent music to praise and enjoy God.
- Promote radical stewardship of all talents.
- Plan for the future so the Church will flourish.
- Respect the diversity of our members.
- Be faithful to historic Baptist beliefs and Christian history.
- Encourage a deep Christian curiosity and spiritual openness.

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Tai Chi

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Ultimate Frisbee

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2. We encourage everyone to be connected. We seek connection through small groups that offer opportunities for fellowship, for deeper relationships, and for developing our faith. Because of the growing number of these groups, new members will find ready opportunity for becoming involved and making friends.
3. We sustain the financial health of our congregation. We are mindful of the financial well-being of our congregation; we ensure that the buildings housing our ministries are maintained and preserved, and the programs and staff supporting our ministry are fully funded.
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