

THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

MARCH 22, 2026
FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT



Ventry Beach – County Kerry, Ireland taken by Marcus McFaul

BECOMING AWARE

I arise today through God's strength to pilot me;
God's might to uphold me,
God's wisdom to guide me,
God's ear to hear me,
God's word to speak for me,
God's hand to guard me,
God's way to lie before me,
God's shield to protect me afar and anear, alone or in a multitude."
— St Patrick

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

RINGING THE SANCTUS BELL

PRELUDE

Londonderry Air
Mike Harris, organist

arr. by John Gribben

CHORAL INTROIT

This is the Day

Mike Davis

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift up your voice and call out to God.

We cry out, believing that God hears us.

Come together and wait for God.

We come together, trusting that God is still speaking.

Surely God's presence is here with us now.

We wait in hope, for God's steadfast love lifts our hearts.

Come, worship the Lord.

We celebrate the power of God that restores us.

*HYMN

God of Generations
(tune: "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!")

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

God of generations, we are all your children;
To your church we bring our gifts, our worship and our song.
Young and old we follow, hand in hand together:
In your great love, together we are strong.

Christ, you welcomed children, called us to be like them,
And received a boy's small gift to feed a hungry crowd.
In our church's children, may we see you working:
More than "our future"! They are faithful now.

Spirit, freely moving, giving youth a vision,
By your grace young Jeremiah heard your loving call;
Mary was a young one when she learned her mission:
Through faithful youth, you offer truth to all.

God of men and women, Helper on our journey,
You have called us in our faith to grow and to mature.
May we keep on learning, worshiping and praying,
That each new day, we'll serve you all the more.

Abraham and Sarah trusted in your promise:
Age was no condition when you gave them work to do.
Old and young we follow, hand in hand together;
At every age, Lord, we belong to you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Claire Dillashaw

*Please pass the Friendship Registers found on each row.
Complete the requested information and then pass it back down the row.
Thank you for worshipping with us at Binkley!*

*Infants through Kindergarten are invited to Nursery care in the Sunroom.
Parents, please pick up your children at this location following Worship.*

CELEBRATING NEW LIFE IN OUR MIDST

*Dedication of Bowen McNeill Stokes, son to Jessica and Vanessa Clark Stokes
born Jan. 23, 2025*

Scripture

Mark 10:13-16

Vocal solo

*Strong, Gentle Children
Ginger Green, soloist*

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*Promises of Family, Congregation, and Children
(“With God’s help, we will”)*

Prayer of dedication

MUSICAL SELECTION

*Invaluable
Brad Berglund*

Ingamar Olsson

HEARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER

*Spirit, Open My Heart
Refrain - **all**
v. 1 – Kevin Ramer, soloist
v. 2 - choir
v. 3 - **all***

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DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE AND MORNING PRAYER

OFFERTORY

*Somos el Barco
Brad Berglund*

Lorre Wyatt

*We are the boat, we are the sea
I sail in you, you sail in me
**Somos el barco, somos el mar
Yo navego in ti, tu navegas en mi***

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 15:21-28

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her daughter was healed from that moment.

This is the Gospel of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

A CONTEMPORARY WORD

“The Cure of Troy”
Human beings suffer
They torture one another,
They get hurt and get hard.
No poem or play or song

as read by *Seamus Heaney*

Can fully right a wrong
 Inflicted and endured.
 The innocent in gaols
 Beat on their bars together.
 A hunger-striker's father
 Stands in the graveyard dumb.
 The police widow in veils
 Faints at the funeral home.
 History says, Don't hope
 On this side of the grave...
 But then, once in a lifetime
 The longed-for tidal wave
 Of justice can rise up,
 And hope and history rhyme.
 So hope for a great sea-change
 On the far side of revenge.
 Believe that a further shore
 Is reachable from here.
 Believe in miracles
 And cures and healing wells.
 Call miracle self-healing:
 The utter, self-revealing
 Double-take of feeling.
 If there's fire on the mountain
 Or lightning and storm
 And a god speaks from the sky
 That means someone is hearing
 The outcry and the birth-cry
 Of new life at its term.
 It means once in a lifetime
 That justice can rise up
 And hope and history rhyme.

SERMON	“The Outcry and the Birth-cry”	<i>Marcus McFaul</i>
*HYMN	O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines	711
*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION		
CHORAL BENEDICTION	Prayer of St. Patrick	Ethan McGrath
	<i>Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me, Christ to win me, Christ to comfort and restore me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me, Christ in quiet, Christ in danger, Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.</i>	
POSTLUDE	Jubilate Deo!	Chester Nordman



The flowers on the communion table today are given in loving memory of Gretchen Aylsworth. Her choir buds and other friends are invited to take roses home with them in her memory after the service.



TONIGHT

**TAIZE
WORSHIP**

LED BY BRAD BERGLUND
MARCH 22ND @ 5PM

**Next Sunday:
Palm Sunday –
Worship begins at
10:45 om the St.
Francis Courtyard
for a palm
processional into the
church. Dr. McFaul
preaches and our
Choir offers 2
anthems.**




**Easter Lily
orders**

Easter Lilies are \$20 each. Order forms are available in bulletins and on the welcome desk. You may order online [HERE](#). All orders must be completed by March 30.

A Service of Remembrance
and in Celebration
of the Life
of



Harry Jensen
Saturday, April 11
11 am

Binkley Baptist Church
Chapel Hill, North Carolina

(reception will follow service)




**Register TODAY! for the
2026 BINKLEY WOMEN’S RETREAT:
THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR PEACE.
May 15-17, 2026, at the Beach! – The Trinity
Center, Salter Path, NC. To hold your space, a
\$50 Deposit is due by Friday, April, 27.
Register online [here](#), use the QR code above,
or pick up a registration form at the Welcome
Desk or the mail box on Susan Rogers and
Diane Hill’s office door.**

Say it with Flowers

Sign up to provide flowers for the communion table

2026 Flower Sign Ups are NOW available.

Sign Up Here,
email Janet O’Neal at joneal23@nc.rr.com
or scan the QR code below.

Celebrating an occasion?
Honoring a loved one?



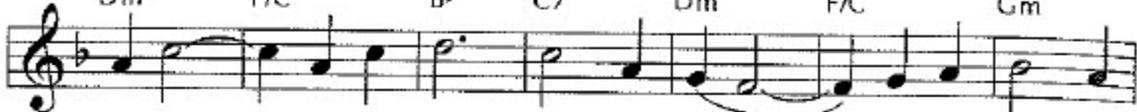
692 Spirit, Open My Heart

Capo 3: (D) (G) (D) (G) (A7)
 Refrain F B^b F B^b C7



Spir - it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of

(Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7) (Bm) (D/A) (Em)
 Dm F/C B^b C7 Dm F/C Gm



liv - ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing

(D) (G) (Em7) (D) (G) (D)
 F B^b Gm7 F B^b F



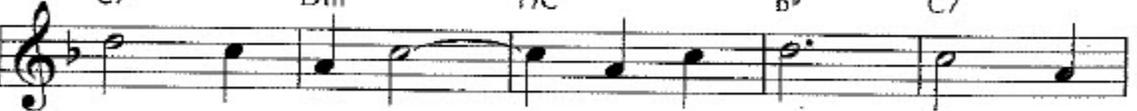
and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

(D) (G) (D) (G)
 F B^b F B^b



1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of

(A7) (Bm) (D/A) (G) (A7)
 C7 Dm F/C B^b C7



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
 sis - ter, broth - er. In the wel - come of

(Bm) (Em7) (D) (G2) (G)
 Dm Gm7 F B^b2 B^b



fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
 Christ, may we wel - come one an - oth - er.

The pace and diversity of modern life often hinder us from remaining vulnerable to our emotions and to the humanness of other people. This prayerful text to be open to such joys and pains draws on Ezekiel 11:19 and 36:26 in stanza one and echoes Jeremiah 31:33 in stanza two.

Strong, Gentle Children

Unison G C/G G C/G

1. Strong, gen - tle chil - dren, God made you beau - ti - ful,
 2. Strong, hurt - ing chil - dren, an - gry and ter - ri - fied,
 3. Strong, know - ing chil - dren, ut - ter your cry a - loud,

Bm Em7 Am7 D

gave you the wis - dom and pow - er you need;
 op - en the se - crets your life has con - cealed;
 hon - or the wis - dom God gave you at birth;

G C/G G C/G

speak in the still - ness all you are long - ing for;
 though you are wound - ed, know you are not to blame;
 speak to your el - ders till they have heard your voice;

Bm7 Em7 Am7 D7 G

live out your call - ing to love and to lead.
 cry out your sto - ry till truth is re - vealed.
 sing out your vi - sion of heal - ing on earth.

WORDS and MUSIC: Dan Damon, 1991

TWILIGHT
56.10D

O Day of Peace That Dimly Shines

Unison

1. O day of peace that dim - ly shines
2. Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb,

through all our hopes and prayers and dreams,
nor shall the fierce de - vour and the small;

guide us to jus - tice, truth, and love,
as beasts and cat - tle calm - ly graze,

de - liv - ered from our self - ish schemes.
a lit - tle child shall lead them all.

May swords of hate fall from our hands,
Then en - e - mies shall learn to love,

our hearts from en - vy find re - lease,
all crea - tures find their true ac - cord;

till by God's grace our war - ring world
the hope of peace shall be ful - filled,

shall see Christ's prom - ised reign of peace.
for all the earth shall know the Lord.



Sojourners: will meet this week as part of Brad Berglund's class.

"A Beautiful Year" - Understanding and Reflecting on the Liturgical Year: led by Charles Coble and Matthew Ripley-Moffitt will meet on March 29th and again on April 12th. For March 29th, please read the chapter on "The Holy Week." Binkley Lounge @ 9:45

Mindful Parenting: At each weekly meeting in the Chapel, the class discusses ideas about parenting from current resources. Novice and experienced parents and caregivers – all are welcome. Ty Hagler facilitates this class.



On Sunday, April 5th, we will have our annual Easter Breakfast at 9:30 am in the Fellowship Hall.

On Easter morning, one of our traditions is to bring a breakfast item to share with each other. If you would like to sign up to bring something please click the link below.

Please keep in mind that you do not need to bring an item to share in order to enjoy breakfast. **Please come EVERYONE! Bring your neighbors!**

Another tradition is to celebrate with a flower cross. This is a large cross that we fill with Spring flowers from your garden, flowers from the store, or anywhere you gather flowers, really (that's up to you!). Some other traditions—we will sing and pray.

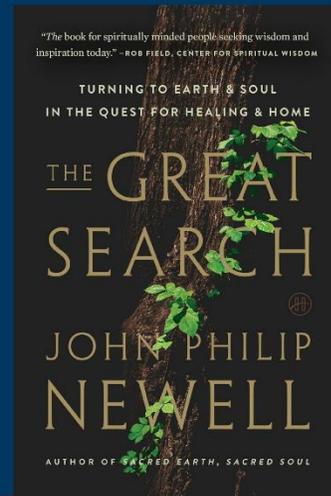
Click [HERE](#) to sign up to bring a breakfast item.

Eastertide to Pentecost Book Read

The Great Search: Turning to Earth and Soul in the Quest for Healing and Home by John Philip Newell

Thursdays, Noon
In the Lounge starting
4/9

For week one please
read: Intro and
Chapter 1.



Binkley Senior Adult Ministry Updates

From Diane Eubanks Hill, Minister with Senior Adults

Last Wednesday, thirty of us enjoyed gathering for a presentation by 1st Lt. Daniel Roberson of the Orange County Sherriff's Office, along with two of his colleagues in the Office. We learned lots of helpful information about protecting ourselves from ever-evolving scams, and they said they learned from our experiences. We're grateful to Lt. Roberson for sharing his expertise and wisdom and hope none of us will ever have sad tales to tell of falling victim to such scams! We concluded with a delicious meal of pizza and salad from Alfredo's, along with brownies and cookies and great conversation!

The coming months bring new opportunities for community and learning and inspiration.

Aging in Community led by April Kemper. This group is invited to meet at the Botanical Gardens on Thursday, April 9 at 11 a.m. to stroll around a bit and enjoy each other and the beautiful spring gardens. Drop ins are welcome! See April with questions.

Sunday Afternoon Hymn Sing -Is there a hymn that has been especially significant in your faith formation? Or one that brings a flood of memories every time you hear it? Or one that inspires or challenges you in a particular way? Join with your fellow Binklers on Sunday afternoon, May 3 at 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall to enjoy singing a few of our favorites. Fill out the insert found in your worship bulletin starting April 12, and return it to Sally or Diane by April 26. Plan to stay around after the Hymn Sing to enjoy ice cream and conversation with your Binkley friends.

Back Porch Brunch and Book Discussion -Monday, June 1, 10:30 a.m. Gather on my back porch to discuss Joan Chittister's fascinating book *The Gift of Years – Growing Older Gracefully*. The book is composed of about 40 brief chapters on topics such as transformation, fulfillment, learning, loneliness, and nostalgia. In her introduction, Chittister writes: "This a book for those who are on the brink of old age, ...for those who are concerned about their parents, ...and for those who do not 'feel' old, whatever their chronological age, but who one day realize with a kind of numbing astonishment that they have not managed to elude it. They are older than they ever thought they could possibly become." I hope you'll find a copy, enjoy it, and come to think about it out loud with your friends, but feel free to come even if you've not read a single page. I'll furnish sour dough sweet rolls, OJ, and decaf. Bring any brunch item you'd like to share with your friends. No registration needed.

All events offered by Binkley's Senior Adult Ministry are open to anyone interested, no matter the age. Questions? Contact a Senior Adult Planning Team Member (Tonya Hamm, Buck Horton, April Kemper, Denise Laux, Craig Meisner, Elizabeth Perry, Betty Prioux, Sheryl Scrimsher, Dennis Will or Diane Eubanks Hill, Minister with Senior Adults) Next planning meeting March 16th.



OFFICE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

to answer phones during Tuesday morning staff meetings - 10-Noon.

Typically only one Tuesday per month is needed.

Email or call the office or speak with Phala Gellert to sign up.

Children & Youth Activities

Date	Children	Youth
March 22	Chapel @ 9 Sunday School @ 9:45 Worship @ 11	Chapel @ 9 Sunday School @ 9:45 Worship @ 11
March 29	Chapel @ 9 Sunday School @ 9:45 Worship @ 11	Chapel @ 9 Sunday School @ 9:45 Worship @ 11

BINKLEY PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

CHURCH FAMILY

Liz Medefesser	Chet & Verla Insko	Al Wheless & Melissa Moore	Martha Smith & Allison Smith
Maribel Bruno	Lyn Lamont	Deborah Tippet	Susan Pike
Sue Wallace	Howard Tate	Susan Rogers	Elizabeth Eagle
Mike Ennis	Bo Lloyd	Art & Gwen Sherwood	Kay Maltbie
Jerry and Eileen Richards	Katherine Walker	Alan Brown	Lillian Lee

We extend our sympathies to Lillian Lee and her family on the loss of her brother, who died this past week.

HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Laurence & Rachel Avery	Betty Bean	Nell Morton	Ruth Ann Ross	Yvonne Holt
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EXTENDED FAMILY

Renzo Hernandez (Maribel Bruno)	Joe Grieshaber (Karen Long)	Lillian Moneyhun (Gloria Lightsey-Lewis)
Antonio Faria Bonano (Maribel Bruno)	Luisa Euwema (Julie Lentz)	Ethan & Charlotte Zolit (Martha Hutt)
Lidsi Diaz (Maribel Bruno)	John Coble (Charles Coble)	Roy Cotton (Karen Long)
Marlene Gual (Maribel Bruno)	Keith Siegel (Kimberly Eastman Zirkle)	Ruby Switzer (Katherine Walker)
Anthony Taylor (Dorothy Pennell)	Valerie Harper (April Harper)	Ben Armfield (Susan Rogers)
Jerry Nettles (Phala Gellert)	Penny Freeman (Wendy Gellert)	Kathy Gregory Bell (Myra Knight)
Thomas McIlwain (Ashley Nissler)	Rowan Caraway (Dennis Will)	Charles and Joyce Ham (Angie Hutto)
Philip Callen (Karen Long)	Randolph Wilson (Denise Laux)	Gene Carpenter (Libba Wells)
Banner & Ingrid Carrera (Dorothy Pennell)	Michele DeRieux (Kathryn Handley)	Bill Daniel (V Sue Wallece)
Jan & David Edwards (S. Ketchin)	Tom Dagenhart (Diane Eubanks Hill)	Debbie Hawkins (Mike Hawkins)
Mark Price (Jan Young)	Joyce Davis (Karin Mills)	Betty Hillman (Martha and Ginger Greene)

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

The Comprehensive Rural Health Project, Jamkhed Tan & Scott Coats (Myanmar missionaries)	Pinheiro Baptist Church, Maceio, Brazil - Odja Barros & Wellington Santos, Pastors
The People of Iran	People of Sudan
Hope Flowers School – Issa Family	Pastor Ishan Biswas, Native Evangelical Church, Bangladesh
Palestinian and Israeli victims of violence	Men of Orange Correctional Center
	The People of Ukraine

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