

THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

APRIL 5, 2026
EASTER SUNDAY



Hallelujah by Mike Moyers

BECOMING AWARE

"Jesus' resurrection is not to convince the incredulous nor to reassure the fearful, but to enkindle the believers. The proof that God raised Jesus from the dead is not the empty tomb, but the full hearts of his transformed disciples. The crowning evidence that he lives is not a vacant grave, but a spirit-filled fellowship. Not a rolled-away stone, but a carried-away church."

-Clarence Jordan

"Alleluia! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns!"

-Revelation 19:6

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

PRESERVICE MUSIC

Binkley Brass

(Graham Hallquist, trumpet, Angela Zoss, trumpet, Garth Molyneux, horn, Amanda Day, tuba)

Thine Is the Glory
That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright
Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!
Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!
Now the Green Blade Rises
Hail the Risen Lord

Mike Harris, Organist

RINGING THE SANCTUS BELL

*THE EASTER GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1-10

This is the Gospel of Christ!
Thanks be to God.

*CHORAL INTROIT

Christ Is Risen: Alleluia!

Ralph L. Grosvenor

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The tomb is dark, but empty
The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness
The stone has been rolled away
The one you are looking for has overcome death
The burial clothes are put aside
The one you are looking for is alive!
There is Good News! Christ is Risen!
Christ is Risen Indeed!
Let all the earth proclaim the joy!
Let all of heaven show forth in praise.
Alleluia! Christ is risen!
Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed!

*HYMN

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

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*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

May the peace of the Risen Christ be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your heart.
We lift them up unto the Lord.

*CELTIC ALLELUIA



WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Claire Dillashaw

*Infants through Kindergarten are invited to go to the Nursery
or stay in the service and continue ringing their bells!*

*Parents, please pick up your children in the Sunroom
immediately following Worship and bring them to the egg hunt.*

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24

O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever!
Let Israel say, "God's steadfast love endures forever." The Lord is my strength and
my might; God has become my salvation. There are glad songs of victory in the tents
of the righteous: The right hand of the Lord does valiantly; the right hand of
the Lord is exalted; the right hand of the Lord does valiantly." I shall not die, but I
shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord has punished me severely,
but God did not give me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of
the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered
me and have become my salvation. 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.

Colossians 3:1-3

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ
is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on the things that are above, not
on the things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ
in God.

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

A CONTEMPORARY WORD

The World I Live In

Mary Oliver

I have refused to live
locked in the orderly house of
reasons and proofs.
The world I live in and believe in
is wider than that. And anyway,
what's wrong with Maybe?

You wouldn't believe what once or
twice I have seen. I'll just
tell you this:
only if there are angels in your head will you
ever, possibly, see one.

HEARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Susan Rogers

CALL TO PRAYER

That Easter Day with Joy was Bright
Diya Kayaleh, soloist v1
Henry Reacher, soloist v2
Choir v3
All v4

DISCIPLINE OF SILENCE AND MORNING PRAYER

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH AND SENTENCES OF STEWARDSHIP

**This Easter day, we rejoice that death is not the last word.
God raised Jesus from death,
turning sorrow into joy, despair into hope.
We sing of Jesus raised from the dead. We sing hallelujah.
The Risen Christ lives today,
present to us and the source of our hope.
We sing of a church
seeking to continue the story of Jesus
by embodying Christ's presence in the world.
We are called together by Christ
as a community of broken but hopeful believers,
loving what he loved, living what he taught,
striving to be faithful servants of God in our time and place,
even as we look in hope for a new heaven and a new earth.**

(The United Church of Canada)

Let us now offer and share our tithes, gifts, and offerings.
May the God of Resurrection, receive the gifts we offer alongside our alleluias.
and use them to take this celebration out into a world that desperately needs justice,
mercy, love and hope. In the name of the risen Christ, we give and we pray. **Amen.**

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Crown Him!

Den Forrest, arr.

Alleluia! Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne:
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity. Alleluia!

Crown Him the Lord of love: behold his hands and side -
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified;
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond'ring eye at mysteries so bright.

Alleluia! Crown Him the Lord of life! Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious in the strife for those He Came to save;
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die. Alleluia!

Crown Him the Lord of heav'n: one with Creator known,
One with the Spirit through Him giv'n from yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, for Thou for us hast died;
Be Thou, O Lord, through endless days adored and magnified! Alleluia!

*DOXOLOGY

Please sign with the leader or simply sing.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

***PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

Now may the words of my mouth
and the meditations of all our hearts,
be pleasing and acceptable to you, O God,
our Rock and our Redeemer. **Amen.**

SERMON

“Little Alleluias”

Marcus McFaul

*HYMN

Christ is Alive!

Insert

INVITATION TO SING “THE HALLELUJAH CHORUS”

Sally Molyneux

*BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Toccata in F' from Symphony #5

Charles Marie Widor



The flowers on the communion table today are given in memory of Tom Rock, and in honor of both the Rock and Griffith families. Happy Easter!

The front cover according to artist Mike Moyers is, “An impression of The Hallelujah Chorus from Handel’s Messiah. This painting depicts the scene from the book of Revelation referenced in Handel’s masterpiece.” It is in the Divinity Library collection of Vanderbilt University.

Next Sunday: Baptism and communion celebrated! Dr. McFaul preaches, “Water, Word, and Table.” Music from our chancel choir.

Our Stewardship of Giving:

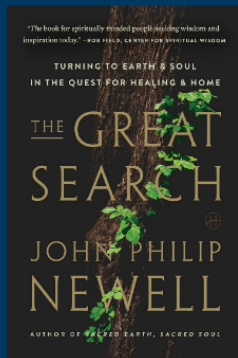
As of April 3, the Year-to-Date amount given is **\$234,959*** and our Year-to-Date budgeted amount is **\$183,750**. Thank you for your continued generous financial support to our ministries at Binkley. (*reflects some one-time annual pre-payments.)

**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.



**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 Monday, April 6. 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. Completed forms can be
returned to the church office.

Lilies Given

In Memory Of

By

Our Parents

Karen Long & Arlon Kemple

David Green

Martha, Ginger and Laura Green

W.I. Bill Herring Sr.

Harriet Herring

Lew Miles, Peg Shandon

Marge Miles

Neal Cheek

Nancy Cheek

Our Parents- Faith & Terry Young and William & Catherine MacPhillimy

Hal & Jan Young

Brenda Baker

Richards-Baker Family

Our Parents

Charles & Diana Coble

Our Parents

Abbie & Bill Dickinson

Ann & John Glover

Alice Glover and Family

Paul Lindsay, his peaceful presence and activism

MaryLou Smith

F. Marie Will (mom)

Dennis Will & Rick Johns

Our son Eric and our parents and sister

Michael and Barbara Davis

our parents

Pat and Bill Harriss

Lilies Given

In Memory Of

By

Ernestine and Elmer Pendergraft, RosAnne and John Sheldon

LuAnn and Don Pendergraft

Lockwood Bultman

Sharlene Meisner

my son Bernie Lamont Jackson

Aaire Jackson

Dean Smith, Ray Olsen, Liz Newcombe

Kristen Young

Richard Brice

Christy Brice

Fred Stock

Catherine Hoyo and James Stock

Our parents, grand son and other departed family members

Howard and Lillian Lee

Our Fathers

Alan Brown and BH Baek

Roy Brock

Ann Brock

Evelyn and Doyle Fosso / Terry and Banks McNairy

Bill, Camille, Libby McNairy

Longtime Ushers: David Green, Harry Jensen, and Dan Textoris

Margie Billinger

Our Parents: Mr. & Mrs. Lewis B Gregory and Mr. & Mrs. Russell V. Knight

Myra and Josiah Knight

my uncle, Fred Taylor

Elizabeth Perry

my mother, Margaret Perry

Elizabeth Perry

Bill Robison, Susan Robison-Fabiano

Nancy Shepherd

my mom, dad, granny, daughter, and sons

Patricia Johnson

Lilies Given

In Memory Of

Daniel Textoris/ Lillian Textoris Toennies

Bill & Judy Eastman, Anne, Leon, & Donald Zirkle

Zeke, our grandson

By

Linda Textoris

Kimberly Eastman Zirkle

Lori & Rob King

In Gratitude For

Our Grandaughters

Marcus McFaul

Our Family

Palestinian steadfast and non-violent resistance to oppression

Sound of the Binkley Ringers (please each ringer take home a plant after services)

Our Binkley Family

Regina Haring (mom)

Debbie Johns (sister)

Love and Faith

Lillian Lee, Laura Davidson, Lori Barbier, Gary Stutts, Alan Brown

By

Karen Long & Arlon Kemple

Charles & Diana Coble

Abbie and Bill Dickinson

MaryLou Smith

Charles Carver

Jim & Susan Pike

Rick Johns and Dennis Will

Rick Johns and Dennis Will

LuAnne and Don Pendergraft

Kristen Young

Lilies Given

In Gratitude For

Robin Brice

Our Binkley Family and Friends

Richard's sister Anne Gillenwater

Our mothers

Marcus McFaul

my friend Velma Ferrell / husband Nelson Ross

My family

Our sons, daughters in love, and grandson

By

Christy Brice

Howard and Lillian Lee

Trish and Richard Blackmon

Alan Brown and BH Baek

Ann Brock

Sheila Sholes-Ross

Linda Textoris

Kimberly Eastman Zirkle

Binkley Senior Adult Ministry Updates From Diane Eubanks Hill, Minister with Senior Adults

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

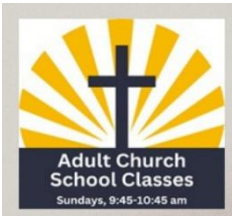
Aging in Community led by April Kemper. This group is invited to meet at the Botanical Gardens this Thursday, April 9 at 11 a.m. to stroll around a bit and enjoy each other and the beautiful spring gardens. Recent studies have confirmed that getting out in nature is a stress reducer. Drop-ins to this group are always 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. Start thinking of your requests, then fill out the insert found in your worship bulletin starting next Sunday, 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 is 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 sourdough 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 May 13th.



Next Sunday – April 12th
“A Beautiful Year” - Understanding and Reflecting on the Liturgical Year: led by Charles Coble and Matthew Ripley-Moffitt.

Upcoming Adult Christian Formation classes:

April 12th – “A Beautiful Year” Diana Butler Bass’s chapter on “Easter” led by Charles Coble and Matthew Ripley-Moffitt.

April 19th - Earth Day! Outside in our Peace Plaza – Avery Davis Lamb from Creation Justice Ministries leads an adult class and will preach.

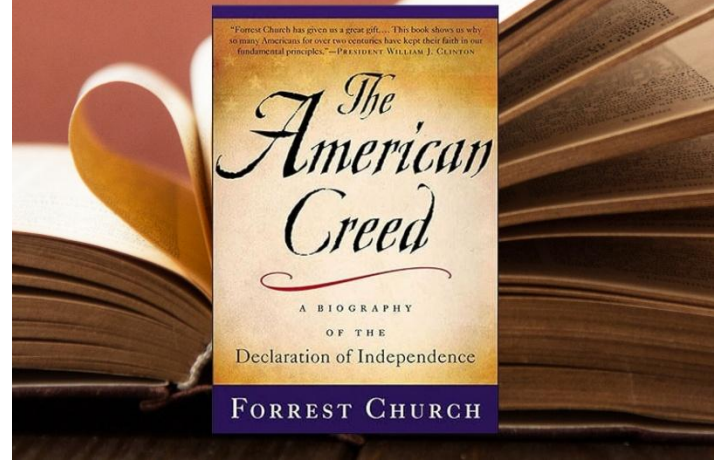
April 26th – May 17th Herman Green will teach the book “American Creed” by Forrest Church.

America in Crisis: The Need for Renewal and Refounding

Celebrating the 250th Anniversary of the United States

Herman Greene will lead a five-week class from April 26 to May 17 on renewing and refounding the United States. In 1776, there were 2.5 million people in 13 colonies, today there are 345 million in 50 states and 3.7 million in the US territories. Global population has grown from 800 million to more than 8 billion. As these examples indicate, much has changed.

Here are the classes: **April 26** The First Founding (1776-91) the American Creed; **May 3**: The Second Founding (1863-1877) “A New Birth of Freedom”; **May 10**: Attempts to re-establish the United States (2010-) as an Illiberal democracy; **May 17**: The need for a Third Founding (2026 -) to more fully realize the promise of our original founding and to meet the ecological and other challenges of our time; and the role of religion in the Third Founding.



Wednesday Night Potluck

with special guests

The Old Time Gospel Band

Lasagna(both meat and veggie) will be provided as the main dish.

Please bring a side dish or dessert.

Dinner: from 5:30-6:30

Entertainment from 6:30-7:30

[Sign Up Here](#)



Wednesday, April 15, 2026

5:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

An Evening of Classical Music

April 26, 2026

7:00 pm

Binkley Sanctuary

Featuring:

Chancel Choir, Binkley Bells, Choral Scholars, Mike Harris, Brooks de Wetter-Smith, Kai-Li Ho, etc.

Performing music from the Renaissance through the 21st century, including Victoria, Handel, Mozart, Mendelssohn, and others.

A free will offering will be taken, with proceeds going to support the music program at Binkley.

A reception will follow the concert

Christ Is Alive

1. Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2. Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3. In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4. Wo - men and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5. Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - ery age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

WORDS: Brian Wren, 1968

MUSIC: Thomas Williams' *Psalmodia Evangelica*, 1789

TRURO

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Church in Conference

Sunday, April 26th
 after the worship
 service in the
 Fellowship Hall to
 vote on Council.



April Birthdays / Anniversaries

Let's Celebrate!
 Sunday, April 19th
 After Worship
 Fellowship Hall

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)

Children & Youth Activities

Date	Children	Youth
April 5 Easter	Breakfast @ 9 Worship @ 11 Easter Egg Hunt after Worship	Breakfast @ 9 Worship @ 11 Easter Egg Hunt after Worship
April 12	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	Howard Tate	Deborah Tippet	Elizabeth Eagle
Sue Wallace	Bo Lloyd	Susan Rogers	Kay Maltbie
Mike Ennis	Lori Barbier	Art & Gwen Sherwood	Lillian Lee
Jerry and Eileen Richards	Gary Stutts	Jan Clark	Jim Wise

We extend our sympathies to **Luz Cobos** whose husband Jurgen Wanke died Saturday, March 28th.

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)
Anthony Taylor (Dorothy Pennell)	Keith Siegel (Kimberly Eastman Zirkle)	Ruby Switzer (Katherine Walker)
Jerry Nettles (Phala Gellert)	Valerie Harper (April Harper)	Ben Armfield (Susan Rogers)
Thomas McIlwain (Ashley Nissler)	Penny Freeman (Wendy Gellert)	Kathy Gregory Bell (Myra Knight)
Philip Callen (Karen Long)	Rowan Caraway (Dennis Will)	Charles and Joyce Ham (Angie Hutto)
Banner & Ingrid Carrera (Dorothy Pennell)	Randolph Wilson (Denise Laux)	Gene Carpenter (Libba Wells)
Jan & David Edwards (S. Ketchin)	Michele DeRieux (Kathryn Handley)	Bill Daniel (V Sue Wallece)
Mark Price (Jan Young)	Tom Dagenhart (Diane Eubanks Hill)	Debbie Hawkins (Mike Hawkins)
Rose Bruner (Phala Gellert)	Joyce Davis (Karin Mills)	Betty Hillman (Martha and Ginger Greene)

CONTINUING PRAYER CONCERNS

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

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