



*We are a Christ-Centered congregation committed to the authority of the Bible as the inspired Word of God. We follow His Word, which commands us to reach out to all people with the saving power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ through worship, witness and service.*

# Christiana Courier

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An NALC Congregation that is Christ Centered, Mission Driven, Traditionally Grounded & Congregationally Focused

## *Holy Week & Easter Services*

*(All services in person and livestreamed except Sunrise)*

**Psalm Sunday, 10:30 am, March 28**

**Procession with Palms**

**Holy Communion**

**Maundy Thursday**

**7:00 pm, April 1**

**Return to the Table**

**Good Friday**

**7:00 pm, April 2**

**Return to the Truth**

**Easter Sunrise**

**Livestreamed on Facebook**

**6:30 am, April 4**

**The Resurrection of Our Lord**

**April 4**

**9:15 am Sunday School**

**9:15 am Children's Easter Program**

**10:30 am Worship**

**Liturgy with Holy Communion**

**Concludes with singing of**

***The Hallelujah Chorus***



## **BITS OF HISTORY**

After our church building was completely destroyed by fire in March of 1945, the congregation, friends and family of the congregation, other churches, and the community worked to build the brick building where we worship today. The building was completed in 1948 (debt free!) at the cost of \$120,000.00. A dollar in 1945 would be worth \$14.63 in 2021, so the cost of the building today would be about \$1,756,000.00.

The Building Committee members were: Odell Lingle, General Chairman and Chairman of the Planning Committee; P. J. Lyerly, Chairman of the Finance Committee; P.H. Lyerly, Treasurer; L.R. Cauble, in charge of Construction; W.O. Brown; Carl Cross; Lester Eller (deceased 8-21-47); Leon Hamilton; A.B. Honeycutt; Lee Kluttz; Roy Lingle; E.L. Lyerly; C.H. Lyerly (deceased 10-19-46); Claude Lyerly.

The pews cost \$115 each (1945 value). The stained glass windows cost \$130.50 each (1945 value). Small name plates on them give the name of the donor(s).

The Altar and Reredos (wooden altarpiece or "wall" behind the altar) were given "In Honor of the Young Men Who served in the U.S. Forces During World War II" by the congregation.

The large stained glass window above the balcony was given "To The Glory of God and In Appreciation of the Prayers of Their Home Congregation by the Veterans of World War II." All 37 returned from the war.

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

### WHAT A SURPRISE! THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING

Have you ever received a surprise gift? How did it make you feel? Someone loved you so much to share with you.

What did you do with it? Keep it to yourself or share the news with others?

We have now received the best gift of all. GOD gave us his Son, Jesus. Jesus gave his all for us. Jesus wants us to spread the word so all can receive this gift.

If you have not planted a seed of stewardship, now is the time. GOD has planted his seed. What about you? Do you want more in life? Then plant your seed and GOD and Jesus will give you more!

## Last Month's Attendance

### March 7

Sunday School: 56

Worship: 84

### March 14

Sunday School: 40

Worship: 77

### March 21

Sunday School: 55

Worship: 86



## Those Who Serve in April

### Nursery Attendants

**April 4** Susan & Kevin Holland

**April 11** Emily Barnes & Laura Ritchie

**April 18** Chris & Katie Sease

**April 25** Jason & April Smith

**Reader:** Dale Beaver

**Usher:** Brian Barringer

**Greeter:** Jenny Roberts

**Communion Assistant:** Richard Crouch

**Sound:** Terry Ritchie

**Lock Up:** Kevin Holland

**Altar Guild:** Debbie & Eddie Eller, Linda Crouch, Wendi & Tony Hawkins

## April Birthdays

5 Gabriel Honeycutt	15 Don Smith
5 Melody Riddle	17 LaVaughn Beaver
6 Geraldine Kluttz	17 Laurie Ritchie
8 Stella Kluttz	18 Linda Crouch
9 Robert Barringer	18 Brandy Madison
9 Abegail Thompson	19 Syler Hayes
10 Betty Hatley	20 Kathy Haynes
10 Betty Weant	23 Doris Ritchie
10 Cam Ritchie	24 Leanne Kluttz
10 April Smith	24 Scott Lowry
11 Onetia Bruce	25 Joyce Cavanagh –Wood
12 Emmett Shank	26 Chris Fleming
14 Terry Ritchie	
15 David Preslar	

Happy  
Birthday!

### April Altar Flowers

Apr. 4 *Easter Lilies*  
*Pedestal* Harold Morris

Apr. 11 Debbie Eller

Apr. 18 Suzanna Roth-Tubman  
*Pedestal* Emily Barnes

Apr. 25 Marlene Pethel





## *Another Form*

*"After these things he (Jesus) appeared in another form to two of them,  
as they were walking into the country."*

Mark 16:12

In Luke's account of the Resurrection he tells the story of two disciples walking on the road to their home in Emmaus. They are sad and confused about Jesus' death and supposed rising from the dead. They felt hopeless and decided to leave the other disciples and go home. As they traveled, Jesus joins them. Luke records that *"their eyes were kept from recognizing him."*

I have often wondered how they were kept from recognizing Jesus, especially when he interpreted the Scriptures to them about how the Christ was prophesied to suffer and die and rise from the death. Movies I've seen about this showed Jesus with his face covered by a hood or his prayer shawl. I found that a bit hokey. Still I pondered, "How were their eyes kept from recognizing Jesus?"

Mark gives us the answer in his account of this incident— *"he appeared to them in another form."* Of course! In his post resurrection body Jesus is able to change forms, change his appearance if needed. And that's what he did to keep Cleopas and his companion from recognizing Jesus. The Good News translation says: *"He did not look as he usually did."* The Passion Translations reads: *"appearing in a form they did not recognize."* The NIV records: *"Jesus appeared in a different form..."*

By changing his appearance Jesus was able to keep the two men from recognizing him and so focus their attention on his teaching them what the Scriptures had to say about his suffering, death and resurrection. When the three men arrived at Cleopas' home, "the stranger" was invited to stay the night and have dinner. Jesus accepted. At dinner he did a most presumptuous thing, he assumed the role of the host and took the bread and blessed it. At that moment Jesus changed his form to the one the disciples recognized and their eyes were opened and they recognized him in the breaking of the bread.

Luke records that Jesus then disappeared from their sight. Excited, the two men got up from the dinner table and hurried back to Jerusalem to tell the other disciples Jesus was indeed risen from the dead!

Today Jesus appears to us in "another form"—the bread and wine of Holy Communion. For those of us with the eyes of faith, we see Jesus in, with, and under the form of bread and wine and know it is his body and blood given and shed for us for the forgiveness of our sin.

Not only do we see Jesus in this form, but we are blessed to touch and taste him and take him into ourselves to receive the gracious gifts of forgiveness and eternal life. Believing this, partaking of our Lord's body and blood is something we want to do often. We should plan our lives around receiving this Sacrament. It is that important.

Luther reminds us that this Sacrament is for sinners, so we do not come to the Lord's Table in fear and trepidation, but in joyful anticipation, believing full well that we eat and drink in faith for the forgiveness of our sin.

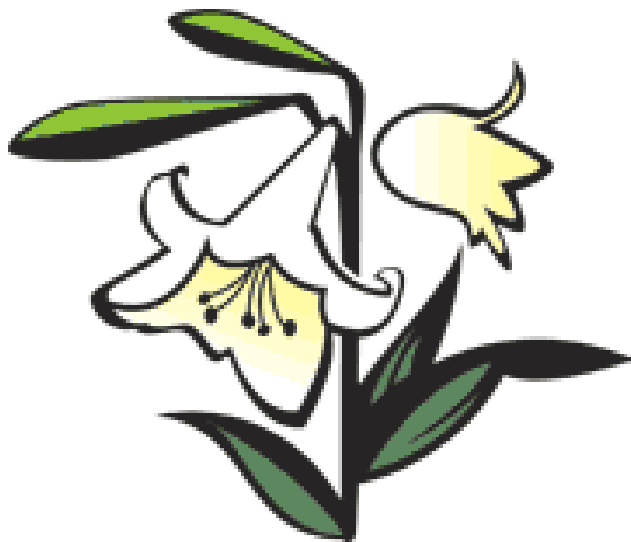
And as we eat and drink, we are commanded by Jesus to "do this in remembrance of me." We remember that Jesus took on our human form for the expressed purpose of suffering and dying on the cross to pay for our sin. And he rose from the dead to assure us that by believing in him we have the promised hope of eternal life.

Trusting this promise we take to heart the words of the Preface in our liturgy: It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day, overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. He will come again one day to judge the living and the dead. And so, with the Church on earth and the host of heaven, We praise your name and join their unending hymn...

May we receive our Lord Jesus in the form of the bread and wine with thanksgiving and sing his praises forever!

*Pastor Carl*

On behalf of my brother Wally Zieverink, thank you for all your thoughts and prayers during his bout with COVID19. I truly appreciate all your prayers, phone calls to check on him, and so many good thoughts. He is slowly getting better each day and able to resume some normal activities. Hopefully in the next couple of months his energy level will be back to normal. It is truly a blessing from God that he is doing so much better. Thanks so much to my Church family.  
Madeline Zieverink



**LILY**—The lily that blooms around Easter is a symbol of Christ's resurrection because it rises from a seemingly lifeless bulb decaying in the ground. It is also used as a symbol of Christ himself. The lily, a symbol of purity, is often used to represent the Virgin Mary.

## Directory Updates

The following updates can be added to your new Annual Report/Church Directory:

Scott Kelsoe	Cell # (479) 409-0660
Robin Adkins	1870 Harrison Rd. Salisbury 28147
Bruce Wilhelm	PO Box 476 Salisbury 28145
Faye Thornton	347 Woodbridge Drive, Aiken SC 29801
Scott Isley	4621 Emanuel Church Rd. Rockwell 28138

## Help provide items for Blessing Bags

An sign-up sheet for needed items will be available in the narthex during April.

The packing party date will be set for sometime in May.

Won't you assist us with doing God's work in our community?!





Volunteers are needed for a clean up day on April 24 beginning at 9 a.m.

People of all ages: women, men, & children will find a job to do inside or outside!

A lunch consisting of delicious chicken halves will be provided to all workers.

## LCW April Events

Miss Katherine Lyerly Group will meet in the Smith Assembly Hall on **April 8** (note change of date) at 10 a.m.

with Marlene Pethel, program leader.  
Following lunch at church, circle will go to RHM to pack bags

Sister Lucille Group will meet in the Smith Assembly Hall on April 6 at 7 p.m.  
with Robin Adkins, program leader and Karen Goodman, hostess

## Remember those in Nursing Homes

**Autumn Care**  
Joe Haas

**Liberty Commons:**  
Elizabeth Ritchie

**Trinity Oaks:**  
Cardell Gibson



## Gift and memorials received this month

### To the Memorial Fund

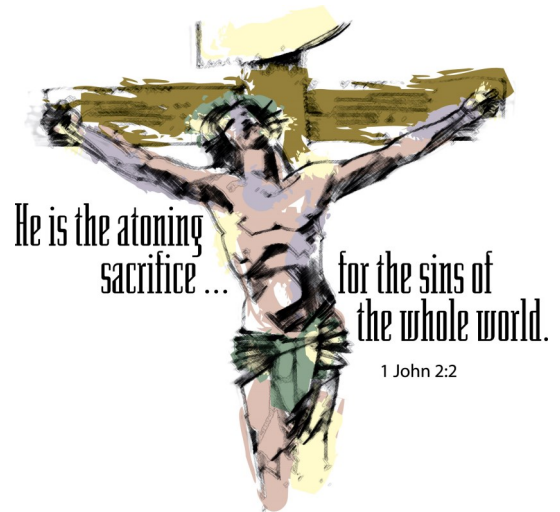
In memory of Albert Daniel Thomas, Steven Ray Abernathy and Ralph Daniel Thomas from Patricia Thomas Pena and Kaitlin Christiana Pena.

### To the Pastor's Discretionary Fund

In memory of Matthew Beaver by Charles & Jenny Roberts

### To the Lenten Offering

In memory of Lane Pethel by Eddie & Debbie Eller



**GIVE BLOOD  
SAVE LIFE**

**SUNDAY, APRIL 18  
12:00- 4:30 P.M.  
CHRISTIANA  
FELLOWSHIP HALL**

## **Christiana Council Minutes**

**March 14, 2021**

### **Present:**

Jason Smith, President  
David Preslar, V Pres.  
Eddie Eller

Sue Wall

Earlene Ritchie  
Robbie Robinson  
Jeff Fleming

Jenny Roberts

Laura Ritchie  
Kevan Barringer

### **Also Present:**

Carl Haynes, Pastor  
Laurie Ritchie, Treasurer

### **Absent:**

Thomas Mead  
Kevin Holland  
Marlene Pethel  
Mike Yarbrough

### **Concerns, Receptions and Approvals:**

#### **Votes of Reception and Approval**

Minutes from February 2021 were approved.

Financial report February 2021 approved.

Pastor's Report for February 2021 presented and approved.

Removal of the orange tape currently blocking off every other pew in the sanctuary to allow appropriate distancing on each pew. Motion was made and approved to remove the tape today.

### **Treasurer's Report**

February income was \$3,768.92 below budget.

YTD income was \$2,980.68 below budget.

February spending was \$6,264.27 below budget.

YTD spending was \$11,721.10 less than budgeted.

Cash on Hand was \$54,026.97 after transferring \$50,000 to a dedicated money market account that was approved at our February Council meeting.

February contributions to Brighten the Beacon were \$375.00.

### **Committee and Auxiliary Concerns:**

#### **Stewardship:**

Harry Agner shared that even though we didn't meet budget for giving in February, giving has been good overall and excellent the last three weeks.

#### **Worship (services delivery):**

On-line Lenten services.

Both the Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services will be live and on-line.

Easter Sunrise service will be on-line.

#### **Fellowship:**

April 17<sup>th</sup> chicken plates for the Gables Community.

Schedule to be done cooking by 10am

Harry needs volunteers to assist with putting plates together starting at 10am to be done by noon

Only preparing enough chicken to support ticket sales

Plates are \$10

#### **Evangelism:**

Continuing work on Favorite Scripture Devotion. Only have 15 turned in at this point and hoping to get about 50 more.

David will continue to announce at church services

Dale Beaver is challenging his Sunday School class and those participating on-line to complete the process

Working on completing another round of Blessing bag for congregation distribution.

Will introduce a 14-day LovedBibleProject for this summer's TRIP Bible reading process.

Have completed two of the parenting class. Paused during lent and will pick back up in April after Easter.

#### **Property/Landscape:**

Workday is scheduled for April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Start at 9am

Work for two and a half to three hours

Lunch to be provided to participants

Women to clean the inside

Kevan to determine outside opportunities



**LCW:****Sister Lucille:**

Receiving donations for soon to be ordained and married Pastor Mwavu Ronald.

Volunteered and completed a Food for Thought bagging event at Rowan Helping Ministries.

**Miss Katherine Lyerly:**

Made Easter baskets for shut ins with lots of cool items included. The recipients were very appreciative of this effort.

**CRS:**

Plan to go out and eat soon after identifying bus driver.

**Bus:**

License tag has been recovered.

Going forward the tag will remain in the bus and we'll use a magnetic plate to attach it to the bus when being driven

**Prayerful Consideration of Council Matters:**

**The Youth Day Camp** that was originally scheduled has been canceled due to the lack of counselors signing up to facilitate. Instead, PC is working with several other Lutheran churches in Rowan County to deliver the day camp. The schedule is:

5 years old to 5<sup>th</sup> grade, week of 7/18

Middle and high school, week of 7/25

The cost will be \$50 for the week

More details will follow as PC gets additional information.

**Looking to close out** the Boy Scouts bank account.

This will be pending until September 2021.

Our Boy Scout group has merged with the Faith group.

Need to determine what needs to be done with scouting equipment not being used.

Potentially Jeff Fleming and Mike Keene to filter through

Determine if there is any equipment that could be utilized by our youth

**Discussion concerning what needs** to be done with items stored in the garage behind the house on Old 80.

Potentially clear out on cleanup day and sell.

Have a community yard sale where congregational members can rent booths and sell items they want to get rid of.

Clean out other items that are in church buildings not being utilized to be included in sale. Let congregation members have first option to purchase items from the church and storage garage.

Eddie Eller and Tony Hawkins to review and discuss potential options at our next Council meeting.

**Jason Smith reminded council members to** continue to pray for guidance and to provide leadership for our church through pandemic/COVID issues. Council needs to stay on the same page in terms of COVID procedures.

**Closing Prayer: Pastor Carl Haynes**

**Next Council Meeting: April 11, 2021 7:30 am**

**Church Lock-Up and Devotions for April: Kevin Holland**

**Meeting Adjourned.**

**Lock-Up/Devotion Schedule**

April: Kevin Holland	September: Jenny Roberts
May: Harry Agner	October: Jeff Fleming
June: Kevan Barringer	November: Thomas Mead
July: Earlene Ritchie	December: Tony Hawkins
August: Laura Ritchie	January: Robbie Robinson

Respectfully submitted,

David Preslar, Council Vice President

## April Scripture Lessons

### Maundy Thursday, April 1

Exodus 24:3-11

Psalms 116:12-19

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

Mark 14:12-26

### Good Friday, April 2

Isaiah 52:13-53:12

Psalms 31

Hebrews 4:14-16, 5:7-9

John 18:1-19:42

### Sunrise, April 4

Exodus 15:1-11

Psalms 118:15-29

1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

John 20:1-18

### Resurrection of Our Lord, April 4

Isaiah 25:6-9

Psalms 16

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Mark 16:1-8

### 2nd Sunday of Easter, April 11

Acts 4:32-35

Psalms 148

1 John 1:1—2:2

John 20:19-31

### 3rd Sunday of Easter, April 18

Acts 3:11-21

Psalms 4

1 John 3:1-7

Luke 24:36-49

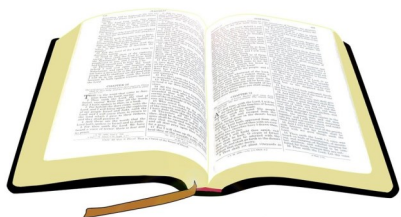
### 4th Sunday of Easter, April 25

Acts 4:1-12

Psalms 23

1 John 3:16-24

John 10:11-18



## Bible Quiz

We know the name of only one of the two disciples to whom the risen Jesus appeared on the road to Emmaus.

Who was he?

- A. John
- B. Paul of Tarsus
- C. Joseph of Arimathea
- D. Cleopas

Answer: D (See Luke 24:18.)



For you are **receiving**  
the outcome of your **faith**,  
the **salvation** of your **souls**.

**1 PETER 1:9, NRSV**



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Organist/Music Director: Becky Morris

Christiana Lutheran Men: Jason Smith  
Christiana Rowdy Seniors: Jenny Roberts

Chancel Choir  
Becky Morris, Director  
Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.

Handbell Choir  
Kathy Haynes, Director  
Now on hiatus

Children's Choirs  
Becky Morris, Director  
Now on hiatus



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## Prayer concerns

Becky Kepley, light stroke; and she and her husband Steve both hospitalized with COVID pneumonia. He is in ICU, she in a regular room. Bruce Wilhelm, low energy; possible pace-maker/defibrillator install. Janet Allen's grandson, JJ, broken foot. Janet Allen, broken shoulder blade. Linda Cline's mom in nursing home for rehab, hopefully coming home March 24. Kathie Albright, bone-on-bone knee pain. Woodrow Frick, hip continues to heal; no surgery needed. Ron Turbyfill, taking a break from chemo treatments. KC Coffey's sister in law Angela, radiation treatments for stage 3 breast cancer. Tom Chapman's niece, Vickie McSwain, colon cancer. Avalyn Scott being treated for asthma and allergies. Linda Crouch's sister, Diane Owens, being treated for breast cancer. Tammy Hill's friend, Linda Shaw, breast cancer spread. Joe Haas, Autumn Care, room 808. Wanda Smith's friend, Becky Lord, stage 4 cancer. Don & Rose Dedmon, in poor health. Bill Welch, bladder cancer. Wanda Smith, limited mobility due to severe inflammation of lower back, spinal stenosis, stage 3 kidney disease, and hypertension. Denise Koehn's friend, Sandy Morris, stage 3 breast cancer. April Smith's brother, Chase Deal, continues to improve and gain strength. Matthew Cairrikier's friend, Shane Herrin, deployed to Kuwait.