April 18, 2021 Announcements
Pennies for Hunger: May 2, 2021
April special mission offering:
Habitat for Humanity
Women's Build

WELCOME TO WORSHIP today. Worship services are live-streamed each Sunday. Instructions to set up and use a Livestream account are on www.alamancechurch.org.

APRIL MISSIONS OFFERING is for the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Greensboro's 2021 Women's Build. See insert for details. **May** offering is for Mustard Seed Community Health Clinic.

MARCH MISSION FOLLOW-UP: The Juarez family says THANK YOU to APC for your generosity! "We appreciate your support. To follow our mission work in Peru, Laurie's bi-monthly blog reports are at: laurieslittlemonkeys.blogpost.com. To follow *Puriyninchik* (Quechua for "our walk") where Noé will work, check Facebook, Instagram, or https://puriyninchik.org/en/home/ Thank you again for your love and support."

<u>DIVINE FOCUS PHOTOGRAPHY</u> <u>CLUB:</u> in-person outing at Hagan-Stone Park, **today**, **Sun.**, **April 18** at **2p**. Rain-date is **April 25**. Meet in the parking lot by the little chapel, near the park entrance.

KIDS R.O.C.K.: Today, Sun., April 18: Bo Peep (Luke 15:3-7). This fellowship group for grades 3-5 meets 4:45p at the Pavilion unless otherwise noted. Masks and social distancing required. Last meeting of school year is April 25!

YOUTH GROUPS: Sun., April 18, 6p at the Pavilion. Middle schoolers meet this week, for Kick the Can and other games, and pizza. Masks and social distancing required. Last meeting of school year is April 25!

STEPSISTERS AEROBICS CLASS: Meets M-Th, 4:30-6p; Sat. 8:30-10a in the Community Room. Contact Phyllis Monroe (phylmonroe@gmail.com) or APC website for schedule details. APC BOOK CLUB meets **Tuesdays**, **7-8p**, via Zoom. Soon, they will meet weekly at Homeland Creamery. Email Rev. Jess Rigel for link to join study of **Getting Involved with God** by Ellen Davis (jess@alamancechurch.org).

OPEN WORD BIBLE STUDY meets in person at the Coble Center **each Wed.,** at **11a**. Bring a bag lunch for after class, if you like.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING: Sun., May 9; for the purpose of nominating and electing two more officers to the Class of 2023.

PRAYER REQUEST PUBLICATION: "Celebrations and Concerns" are posted on Home page of the website. www.alamancechurch.org.

Positions available at APC Child Development Center: full-time and part-time. Pay: \$8.25-\$8.50 / hour (\$9 with college degree. Annual merit-based raises) Link to access applications:

https://alamancecdc.com.

Substitutes also needed.

Required before starting (CDC will help with this):

- Qualification letter from state of NC (criminal background check)
- TB test and drug screen
- Medical form filled out by a licensed healthcare provider

COVID-19 considerations: This workplace follows CDC COVID-19 guidelines for safety of all children and staff.

<u>Christian sympathy is expressed</u> to the family and friends of Christine Trull, who died on April 11.

Presbyterian Women Circles meet

L.I.F.T.: every Sunday, 9-9:50a, by Zoom.

Martha Brown: Wed., May 5, 1p in Coble Center.

Red Hat: Mon., Apr. 19, 6:30p, Coble Center for Community Outreach.

Agapé: Tues., May 11. Meet in parking lot 11a to go eat, return 12:30p for Bible study in Uffman classroom.

Elders, Class of 2023

Elders elected on April 4 are **Darren Hadley, Tim Hobbs, Judy Uniatowski**; and Youth Elder **Nathan Garrett**.

We welcome them to the Session of Alamance Presbyterian Church!

There will be a Congregational

Meeting on **Sunday**, **May 9**, to receive the report of the Nominating Committee, and to elect two more Elders to the Class of 2023.

ONLINE GIVING: See the Bulletins & Announcement page of website (www.alamancechurch.org) for details of how to use. You need to sign up with this service to access online giving.

To give by Text: text the word "give" to **336-396-6133.**

Then follow the simple prompts to set up your account and make donations.

CHURCH OFFICE

(336)-697-0488

info@alamancechurch.org

NC's Safer at Home order is scheduled to end April 30. Church offices are open.

Buildings are now open for use by church-affiliated groups, with permission of the Session, our governing board.

Food Pantry

Special collection for April: Canned fruit

We can always use clean, dry, plastic grocery bags — and clean, dry, empty egg cartons, to re-pack the weekly bulk donations of chicken eggs for our honored guests.

VOLUNTEERS ESSENTIAL: Food Pantry Team *needs* you. Volunteer your service! **Go here to sign up:** http://signup.com/go/h2b6xy

NC Safer at Home pandemic protocols are now scheduled to end **Friday, April 30.**

Face masks are required at all public events, until further notice.

RE-OPENING: Worship inside the sanctuary is at 25% capacity. When sanctuary is full, overflow worship is in the Thin Place, via Livestream. Face masks, worn properly, are required for the entire time on church property. Welcome Back cards must be filled out each week (in case COVID-19 contact tracing becomes necessary).

WEAR a mask.
WASH your hands.

WAIT a safe distance apart.

Church Staff

Dr. Kyle Goodman, Lead Pastor
Rev. Jess Rigel, Discipleship Pastor
Andrew Long, Dir., Youth Ministries
Joy Thomas, Dir., Children's Ministries
Katie Long, Director of Music
Rebecca Oden, Accompanist
Dana Adams, Finance Coordinator
Lynn Barnes, Administrative Assistant

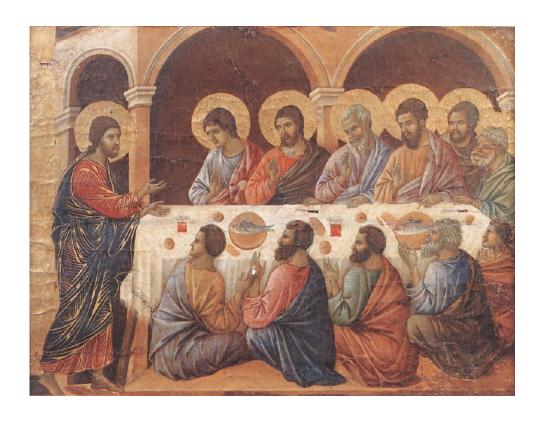
Mary Ellen Shores Director,
Child Development Center
Jane Preston Asst. Dir., CDC



We welcome all to the community of Jesus: to connect, to learn, to worship, to serve.

Third Sunday of Easter

April 18, 2021 10 a.m.



Gathering

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us - arr. John Carter

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn Christ Has Risen While Earth Slumbers

Song sheet

Thanksgiving & Offering

The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible is used during worship.

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you give to us your greatest gift, your Son Jesus Christ, and we still don't understand what is going on. You call us to be people of courage and hope; and yet we run and hide, doubting and fearing. You challenge us to proclaim our faith, but we huddle in darkness whispering our words of discouragement. Shake us up, Lord! Forgive us when we seem to need prodding over and over again. Help us to see the presence of Jesus in our lives; and remind us of all that he taught us, to help us to live as disciples, serving you by serving others. Change us! Remold us! Make us truly the disciples you have called us to be. Amen.

A Promise of Forgiveness and Peace

Passing of the Peace

We invite you now to take this time to pass the peace, however you can.

Send a text, post a tweet, share a photo, make a call.

God has blessed us with creativity. We can share Christ's presence with one another, even if we aren't in the same physical space.

One: The peace of the Lord be with you. All: And also with you.

The Word

Scripture Reading Luke 24:36-48

One: This is the Word of the Lord. All: Thanks be to God.

Message Telling Ghost Stories Dr. Kyle Goodman

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our God in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Call to Offering

Sharing of Offering

We invite you to prayerfully make a donation to contribute to the continued life and work of our congregation, even — and especially — in these times of anxiety. Please consider mailing contributions directly to the church, or using our online giving platform, available at https://www.alamancechurch.org/online-giving.

Offertory Were You There?

- arr. Larry Shackley

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sending

Sending Hymn Do Not Be Afraid

Song sheet

Charge and Benediction

Lectionary Year B Scripture for the Fourth Sunday of Easter, April 25:

Lectionary Year B Scripture for the Third Sunday of Easter, **April 18:**

Acts 3:12-19, Psalm 4, 1 John 3:1-7, Luke 24:36b-48.

Acts 4:5-12, Psalm 23, 1 John 3:16-24, John 10:11-18.

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We are an ecumenical congregation in a Presbyterian Church, USA form.

We are a *Matthew 25* Church.

We are a Hunger Action Congregation.

We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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