

REMEMBER IN PRAYER & with your cards, calls, and visits

PLEASE REMEMBER

Wanda Sue Ammerman
Libby Overcash—prayers & cards at this time
Jane Hamilton
Sherry Eckard
Dolores Mueller
Darlene Whittaker—radiation treatments
Debbie & Frank Dickerson
*Lynn Dee David
Aimee Falder
Jane Bartholomew
Carolyn Reitzel
Debbie Spencer-Ahrens

OTHERS

*Mike Simmons (T. Simmons' Brother)
*Michael Gantt
*Bill Barnard (B. Adams' Brother)
*Al Johnson (friend of Carole C.)
*Steve Hass—recovering from stroke
*Sean Berry (Samantha Hill's Father)
*Jodie Coffey (Debbie R.'s Daughter)—recupe:
thyroid surgery

RECUPERATING AT HOME

Stan & Margie Griffin
Rev. Earle Potts

ASSISTED-LIVING FACILITIES

CONOVER NURSING & REHAB
Conover, NC 28613
Ken Poovey (Rehab, Room 404)

SPRINGS OF CATAWBA
Hickory, NC 28601
Cyndy Adams

CV ASSIST. LIVING—ROCK BARN
Conover, NC 28613
Jeanne Whitmire (Room 107)

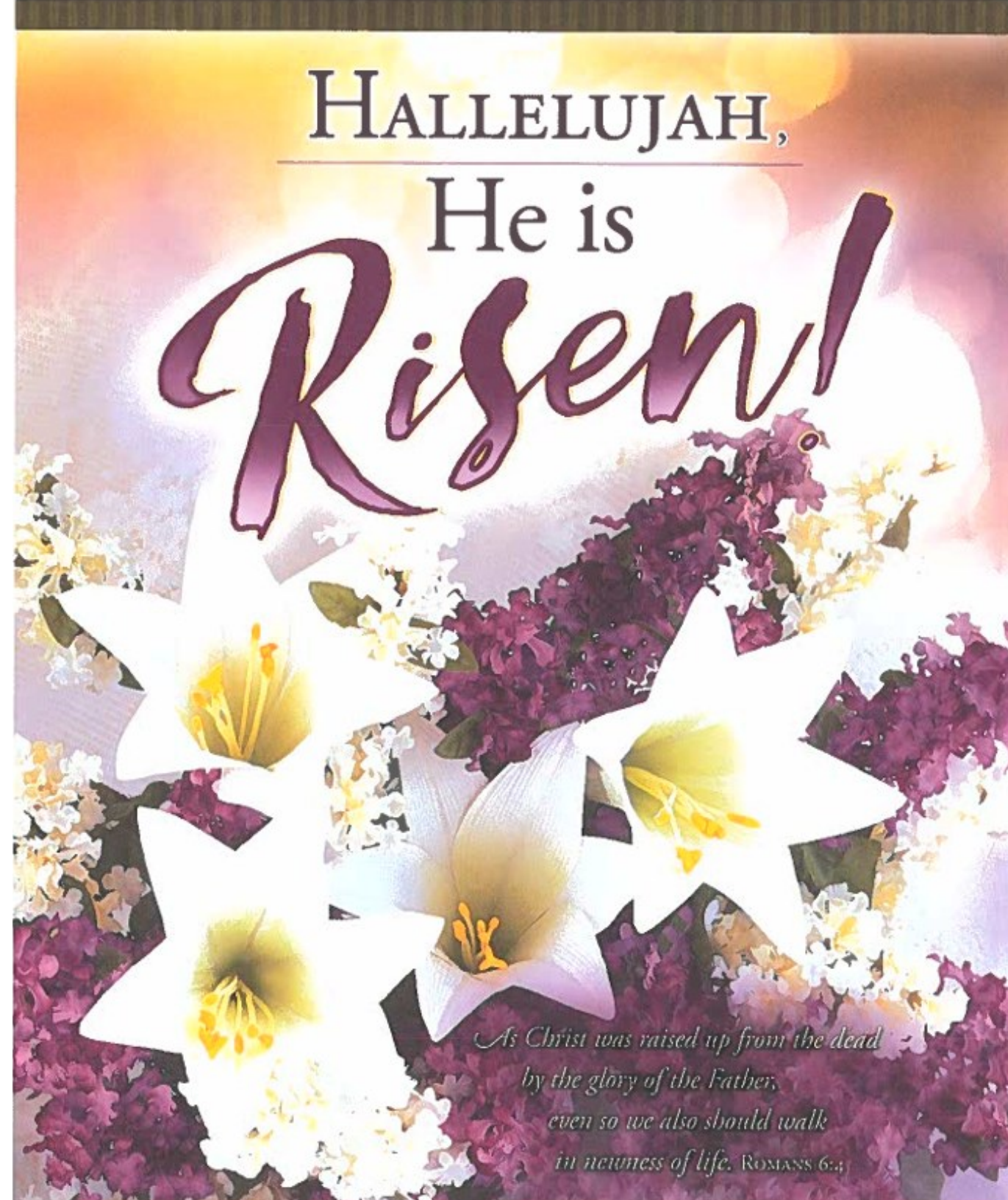
MAGNOLIA LANE
Morganton, NC 28655
Pat Roark (Room 1)

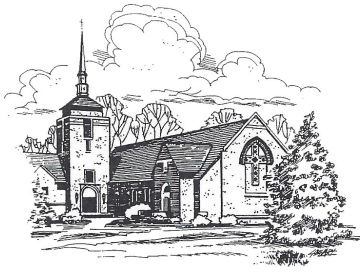
CLEMMONS VILLAGE
Clemmons, NC 27012
Danna Perkins (Room 1)



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Trinity Reformed
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

EASTER SUNDAY
April 5, 2026—10:30 A.M.

*Indicates “all who are able please stand.”

COMING BEFORE GOD

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Peggy Stout

PRELUDE

“Easter Sunrise”
(by James Mansfield)

Marty Light, Organist

*CALL TO WORSHIP (*Responsively*)

Dawn Kilby, Liturgist

Alleluia! Christ is Risen.

He is Risen indeed. Alleluia!

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ—He has raised Jesus from the dead and He has given us new life and hope.

He has brought us out of darkness and has made us light to the world.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

*HYMN

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

#289 Blue Book

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION (*Responsively*)

Dawn Kilby, Liturgist

O Living Lord, on the first Easter day you stood in the midst of your disciples as the conqueror of sin and death and spoke to them of your peace.

Come to us, we pray, in your risen power. Breathe your Holy Spirit into our hearts that we may be strong to serve you and spread the good news of your glorious resurrection for us and all the world. Amen.

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (*Responsively*)

Rev. Peggy Stout

Merciful God, on this Easter morning, we come face to face with the miraculous and the most astounding event of all time, the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. Yet, we confess that we try to confine Jesus to our limited human understanding. We fear a close encounter with the living Christ because of what that might mean. In the face of life’s trials, in despair or death, we too easily forget the wondrous evidence that good has triumphed over evil, love over hate, and life over death.

Forgive us, O God, the sins that separate us from the fullness of abundant life in Jesus Christ. Guide us back into your presence that we may know your joy and peace—



Thank you for joining us in worship today. Go with God’s blessing and assurance that HE IS RISEN, INDEED!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Our **Spring Congregational Meeting** will be held on **Sun., April 19th at 11:45am** immediately following worship. We hope you will stay after worship for a few minutes to hear and vote on some important things coming up in the business of our church.



Tuesday, April 21st at 5pm. Trinity Singles’ will be meeting out at **Chili’s**. Please look for the sign-up sheet at the back of the sanctuary, or call the church office to let us know to expect you! (828-464-8226) See you there!

Youth Group to Slick City ~ Sunday, April 26th

Please send your youth with \$ for fast food lunch on the way to **Slick City in Charlotte**, where they will also need \$5 for the reusable, required socks. Come have some fun and invite a friend! Please contact Patrick (828-578-0119) or Ashley (828-217-7509) with any questions.

IN THE LORD’S SERVICE

(04-05-26)

Acolyte: Madelyn Birchfield

Cross Bearer: David Setzer

Elders: Deb Hill and Johnny Lamp

Treasurer’s Assistant: Scott Love

April

REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acolyte: Madelyn Birchfield

Cross Bearer: David Setzer

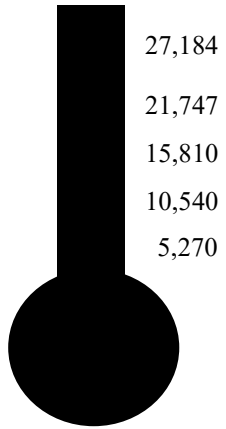
Elders: Deb Hill and Johnny Lamp

Flowers: (Easter Lilies)

Lay Reader: Kathy Alexander

Liturgist: Michael Lingle

Treasurer’s Assist: Luana Wright



ATTENDANCE FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH

	Sanctuary	Lahu	Live Stream	Total	Offering
Mar 1	103	24	41	168	\$11,929.00
Mar 8	91	18	43	152	\$7,056.63
Mar 15	94	24	64	182	\$3,032.00
Mar 22	127	24	41	192	\$2,905.00
Mar 29	122	18	58	198	\$6,346.00
Total	537	108	247	892	\$31,268.63

Goal for a four week month is \$21,747 and for a five week month is \$27,184*.
 — Denotes combined Traditional & Lahu service

This Week

SUNDAY, APRIL 5

Easter Sunday

6:30 am—Community-Wide Sunrise Service
 7:30 am—Community-Wide Easter Breakfast
 No Sunday School
 10:30 am—Traditional & Lahu Worship Holy Communion
 10:30 am—You Tube Live Stream

He is risen

MONDAY, APRIL 6

Easter Monday
 Church Office Closed

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

6:00 pm—Open Gym
 6:30 pm—A. A. Meeting
 7:00 pm—Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

9:30 am—Hugs & Stitches
 6:00 pm—Sweet Adelines

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

SATURDAY, APRIL 11

12:00 pm—LEC RES. (Tellado)

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Second Sunday of Easter
 9:30 am—Sunday School (all ages)
 10:30 am—Traditional & Lahu Worship
Infant Baptism
 10:30 am—You Tube Live Stream
 11:45 am—Consistory Meeting

Attention Graduates: If you are graduating from high school, college, or graduate school in Spring 2026, please share your info, accomplishments, future plans, and a picture with the church office (handwritten or through email) by **Friday, May 1st**.



and may we see and experience anew the depth of your sacrificial love and mercy for us, that it may call us to live a more passionate obedience to your will and way. We ask in the name of Jesus Christ, who taught us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

***PRAISE RESPONSE**

“Christ Arose” (chorus)

#298 Blue Book

***Up from the grave He arose,
 With a mighty triumph o’er His foes;
 He arose a victor from the dark domain,
 And He lives forever with His saints to reign;
 He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!***

(Please be seated.)

LISTENING TO GOD’S WORD

CHILDREN’S SERMON

Jessica Spain

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Responsively)

Tommy Simmons, Lay Reader

God of life, your Spirit raised Jesus from the dead. Your Spirit inspired the prophets and writers of scripture. Your Spirit draws us to Christ and helps us to acknowledge Him as Lord.

We ask that you will send your Holy Spirit now to give us deeper insight, encouragement, faith, and hope through the reading and proclamation of the Easter gospel. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 12:2-6

Tommy Simmons

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM #1

“Alleluia, Christ Is Alive!”

(Joel Raney)

Chancel Choir
 Martha Caldwell, Director

***GOSPEL READING**

Luke 24:1-12

Rev. Peggy Stout

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

All praise to you, Christ our Lord!

SERMON

Rev. Peggy Stout

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

***HYMN**

“Because He Lives”

#292 Blue Book

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Rev. Peggy Stout

The Invitation

The Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Communion

Sharing of the Bread

Sharing of the Cup

Prayer of Thanksgiving *(Responsively)*

Loving God, you have fed our spirits with bread and wine, and you have made us one body with all your children.

Accept our gratitude, O Lord, and send us forth in power to share the good news of your resurrection in the world. Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

Invitation

Rev. Peggy Stout

Offertory

"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!" by Frederick Maker/arr. by Henry Balcombe

*Doxology

"Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer

(Please be seated.)

ANTHEM #2

"Empty Grave"

Chancel Choir

(arr. by Ed Hogan)

*BENEDICTION

Rev. Peggy Stout

*CHIMES

*POSTLUDE

"Hallelujah Chorus"

Marty Light

(by George F. Handel/arr. by Diane Bish)

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**THE EASTER LILIES** adorning the church today are given in memory and honor of our loved ones. *(Please see insert.)*



**THE FLOWERS** on the piano today are given to the glory of God and in honor of Tera Rockett on our 46<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary today (4/5).

Given by: Bruce Rockett

**Reminder:** *Our church office will be closed Monday, April 6<sup>th</sup> (tomorrow) in observance of Easter Monday.*



OLD TESTAMENT READING

*Isaiah 12:2-6 (NIV)*

<sup>2</sup>Surely God is my salvation; I will trust and not be afraid. The Lord, the Lord himself, is my strength and my defense; he has become my salvation. <sup>3</sup>With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. <sup>4</sup>In that day you will say: "Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted. <sup>5</sup>Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world. <sup>6</sup>Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion, for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

The Word of the Lord.

***Thanks be to God!***

\*GOSPEL READING

*Luke 24:1-12 (NIV)*

<sup>1</sup>On the first day of the week, very early in the morning, the women took the spices they had prepared and went to the tomb. <sup>2</sup>They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they entered, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were wondering about this, suddenly two men in clothes that gleamed like lightning stood beside them. <sup>5</sup>In their fright the women bowed down with their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee: <sup>7</sup>"The Son of Man must be delivered over to the hands of sinners, be crucified and on the third day be raised again.'" <sup>8</sup>Then they remembered his words. <sup>9</sup>When they came back from the tomb, they told all these things to the Eleven and to all the others. <sup>10</sup>It was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the others with them who told this to the apostles. <sup>11</sup>But they did not believe the women, because their words seemed to them like nonsense. <sup>12</sup>Peter, however, got up and ran to the tomb. Bending over, he saw the strips of linen lying by themselves, and he went away, wondering to himself what had happened.

The Gospel of the Risen Christ.

***All praise to you, Christ our Lord!***

"Thank you for the cards, concern, and care I have received during the time of my brother's illness and death. Your words of support and encouragement were deeply appreciated."  
~Tommy Simmons