

We welcome you to worship the Living and Triune God. Christ is alive and with us in the power of the Spirit. Prayer and counsel are available after the service.

You are called to be a follower of the Lord Jesus, a member of his people, and a participant in his mission to spread his kingdom and all its benefits. It's our main business as we serve the world from the center of Greenwood, SC.

Sunday, March 10, 2013
Services at 8:30/11:00am

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This week's Lenten Pilgrimage Service and lunch is at Resurrection Episcopal Church

THE SUNDAY SERVICE

11:00am

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Color: Purple

*Stand as able

A nursery is provided

Large print hymnals, bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

“The end of the long history of sin and evil is the surprise arrival of Jesus in his own time.”

ENTRANCE

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE Pray as You Enter; Assume Silence at the Chiming

TRINITY CHIME

MaryAshlynn Perkey

PRELUDE

The Nave (Gordon Young)

Joyce Nickles: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

You Are My All in All (Jernigan)

U.M. Worship & Song

**You are my strength when I am weak,
You are the treasure that I seek, You are my all in all.
Seeking You as a precious jewel,
Lord, to give up I'd be a fool, You are my all in all.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, Worthy is Your name
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**Taking my sin, my cross, my shame,
Rising up again, I bless Your name, You are my all in all.
When I fall down You pick me up ,
When I am dry You fill my cup, You are my all in all.**

***GREETING**

Trinitarian Greeting, Romans 13:11-12

As the friends of God, let us bless the Lord.
Blessed be God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever! Amen.

Paul wrote to a sleepy church, “Beside this, you know what hour it is,
how it is full time now for you to wake from sleep.
For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed;

the night is far gone, the day is at hand.

Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light;
let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day,
**not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness,
not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ,
and make no provision for your fallen nature."**

***PROCESSION HYMN, No. 716** *Rejoice, the Lord is King*

Crucifer: Jay Logan; Acolytes: Layton Logan, Vivi Joy Pinckney

***MUTUAL BLESSING, CONFESSION AND PARDON**

Based on Luke 21:5-38

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
you have served the world notice that its days are numbered.
In Jesus you interrupted time and revealed a new world,
and in his resurrection gave us a grand preview of coming attractions.
But we have lived as if there was no end and no judgment.
We have turned away from the call to love because it was inconvenient.
We have embraced pleasures that dull our senses and numb our souls.
We have been hesitant to speak up for our Savior and his holy ways.
We have spent too much time with television and too little in the Scriptures.
We have played it safe instead of risking ourselves in your service.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord, for we are unfaithful servants.
Forgive us, sober us, stir us, pierce our hearts, set our minds on fire,
and may your Holy Spirit keep before us the true end of our lives.
Amen. (Silence is kept for confession. Pardon is announced.)**

***ACT OF PRAISE, No. 70** *Glory Be to the Father*

WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Zella Williams: UMW

ON THE WITNESS STAND

Alpha Parenting Class

Charlie and Leslie Barrineau

PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE

FIRST LESSON

Last Things

Revelation 20:11-21:8

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

(Myra Greene: Lay Reader)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kathy Kelly: Church Programming

A TEACHING MOMENT

A Dose of Reality!

Book of Discipline 2012: 74

Confession of Faith, Article XII: "The Judgment and the Future State"

"We believe all men (and women) stand under the righteous judgment of Jesus Christ, both now and in the last day. We believe in the resurrection of the dead; the righteous to life eternal and the wicked to endless condemnation."

ANTHEM

Come, Ye Sinner, Poor and Needy (arr. R. Turner)

Chancel Choir

Larry Moore: Director

SERMON LESSON

Jesus Reads History From The End

Luke 21:5-38

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SERMON

Get Smart! Get Ready! Stay Alert!

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

Am I thinking and living with a focus on the ultimate victory of Jesus Christ?

RESPONSES TO THE WORD

*INVITATION HYMN, No. 529

How Firm a Foundation

OFFERTORY

The Rose Window (Gordon Young)

Joyce Nickles: Organist

*DOXOLOGY, No. 95 *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever.

*CONFESSING THE ANCIENT FAITH: "The Apostles' Creed"

Hymnal: No. 881

SENDING FORTH

*WESLEY HYMN ON DAILY WORK, No. 438

Forth in Thy Name, O Lord

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

*SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 666

Shalom to You

*POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!

Joyce Nickles: Organist

The chancel flowers are given to God's glory and to honor the birthdays of Betsy Stockman Cureton and Joy Pinckney by Pierce and Betty Stockman