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, April 28, 2013
Services at 8:30/11:00am

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"Following Christ from City-Center"

# THE SUNDAY SERVICE 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

11:00am

Color: White

\*Stand as able A nursery is provided Large print hymnals, bulletins, and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

"A church in mission needs regular correction from our risen Lord Jesus."

## **ENTRANCE**

**GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE** Pray as you enter; assume silence at the chiming **TRINITY CHIME** MaryAshlynne Perkey

**PRELUDE** Chorale in E Minor (J.S. Bach) Joyce Nickles: Organist

WELCOME AND SILENCE Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

CALL TO WORSHIP Lo, God Is With Us Celebration Singers

Larry Moore: Director

\*GREETING Trinitarian Greeting, Easter Shout!

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.

Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Blessing and honor, dominion and power,

be to God for ever and ever!

Christ is risen! Alleluia!

\*PROCESSION HYMN, No. 157 Jesus Shall Reign

Crucifer: Wylan Radcliffe, Acolytes: Sam Crooks, Rebekah Lomax

\*MUTUAL BLESSING, COMMON PRAYER

Based on Acts 1:1-11

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, in Jesus you displayed your heart and wisdom to a broken world. Today we remember the disciples who were his first followers. They were witnesses of all he did and taught as they learned his ways. We thank you that what they observed, they remembered; and what they remembered they taught; and what they taught was written down and preserved for us. They are the deep foundation stones on which your church is erected, and to them we turn to find our way as Jesus' followers today. So as the Scriptures are read and preached, and as the ancient sacrament of baptism is celebrated, may your Holy Spirit pour light and life upon us all, and may we never be ashamed to be public Christians. Make yourself known in every heart as we wait in silence before you. Amen. (Silent prayer by all. Listen for the voice of the Lord.)

\*ACT OF PRAISE, No. 162 Alleluia, Alleluia Stanza 4 Only WELCOME VISITORS, REGISTER ATTENDANCE, CHURCH CONCERNS
ON THE WITNESS STAND Stop Hunger Now Pastor Phil Thrailkill

National Day of Prayer, Thursday May 2, 7:00pm

**ANTHEM** Dry Bones (arr. Hal Hopson) Celebration Singers

## **PROCLAMATION AND PRAISE**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Kathy Kelly

**UNITED METHODIST TEACHING** Ascension, Return, Holy Spirit

## U.M. Articles of Religion III: Of The Resurrection of Christ

"Christ did truly rise again from the dead, and took again his body, with all things pertaining to the perfection of man's nature, wherewith he ascended into heaven (1), and there sitteth (2) until he return (3) to judge all men at the last day (4)" (BOD 2012, 64).

### **U.M Confession of Faith Article III: The Holy Spirit**

"We believe in the Holy Spirit who proceeds from and is one in being with the Father and the Son. He *convinces* the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. He *leads* men through faithful response to the gospel into the fellowship of the Church. He *comforts*, sustains and empowers the faithful and guides them into all truth" (BOD 2012, 71).

**ANTHEM** 

Go Forth and Tell (David Ogden)
Larry Moore: Director

**Chancel Choir** 

**SERMON LESSON** Two Corrections From the Risen Lord

Acts 1:1-11

This is the word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

**SERMON** Where Is Jesus Now? What Are We To Do?

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

Do I have a piece of the action, or am I sitting on the sidelines?

## **RESPONSES TO THE WORD**

\*HYMN, No. 571 Go, Make of All Disciples

**OFFERTORY** Improvisation on "Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken" (W.A. Mozart)

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.

#### THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT I

A Word of Special Introduction Hymnal: 864-865 A Baptism Song Down to the River to Pray Granger, Mary Lyle Smith The Baptism of Stephanie Adams on Confession of Faith

## SENDING FORTH

\*HYMN, No. 593 Here I Am, Lord

\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

Shalom to You

\*SUNG RESPONSE, NO. 666 Shail
\*POSTLUDE, TIME TO GREET A VISITOR!

Joyce Nickles: Organist

Phil Thrailkill: Pastor

Hymnal: 33-39

The flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of *Edward F. Workman* by his family.

Sermon manuscripts are available after the service and on the website.