Outer Banks Presbyterian Church
Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina

The Third Sunday of Easter

REJOICE
& Give Thanks
GOD’S HOUSE, OUR TIME

Sunday, April 15, 2018
10:00 am

A Member of the Presbyterian Church (USA)
And the Presbytery of New Hope

This is God’s House! All are Welcome!

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The Order of Service for the Lord’s Day

As people enter the Sanctuary they are encouraged to greet one another and share the gifts of friendship and love. When the prelude begins, all are invited to begin personal preparation for worship. As a kindness to fellow worshippers, please silence all electronic devices.

♦ = Congregation Standing as Able
♀ = Appropriate times to be Seated when Arriving After Service Begins

~ We Gather Together as God's People ~


THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Please pass the guest pads)

♀ THE GATHERING: “Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation” ........... WESMINSTER ABBY
The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

♦ THE CALL TO WORSHIP (Spoken Responsively) ............................... Brenda Brown

ONE: The Lord is risen! Alleluia!
ALL: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!
ONE: Beloved, we are God’s children now;
ALL: when Christ is revealed, we will be like him.
ONE: Let us worship almighty God.

♦ THE OPENING PRAYER .................................................................... Brenda Brown

♦ ♀ THE HYMN NO. 233: “The Day of Resurrection” ......................... LANCASHIRE

THE CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Spoken in Unison)

Holy God, we confess that we fall short of your glory. Our wisdom is limited, yet we fail to rely on you when we do not understand. Even though some of our doubts can be healthy, we can let our doubts get the better of us; we can overanalyze a problem and end up doing nothing constructive, because of our uncertainty. God of mercy, allow us to find peace amidst our doubts and to cling to the sure hope that Jesus Christ offers. Amen.

THE SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S FORGIVENESS
Crown Him the Lord of heav’n! One with the Father known,
One with the Spirit thro’ Him giv’n from yonder glorious throne.
To Thee be endless praise, For Thou hast died for us.
Be Thou, O Lord, thro’ endless days adored and magnified.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE (Spoken Responsively)

LEADER: The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

(Children in K-5 are dismissed to go to Children’s Church)

THE MINUTE FOR MISSION

Clayton Rascoe
(Executive Director at Massanetta Springs Camp and Conference Center)

~ The Word of the Lord ~

THE PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Brenda Brown

THE FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON: Psalm 4

Brenda Brown

Answer me when I call, O God of my right! You gave me room when I was in distress. Be gracious to me, and hear my prayer. How long, you people, shall my honor suffer shame? How long will you love vain words, and seek after lies? But know that the Lord has set apart the faithful for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him. When you are disturbed, do not sin; ponder it on your beds, and be silent. Offer right sacrifices, and put your trust in the Lord. There are many who say, “O that we might see some good! Let the light of your face shine on us, O Lord!” You have put gladness in my heart more than when their grain and wine abound. I will both lie down and sleep in peace; for you alone, O Lord, make me lie down in safety.

THE CHORAL ANTHEM: “Hymn of Promise”

Natalie Sleeth

The Sanctuary Choir

THE SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON: John 20: 19-31

The Rev. Dr. Moore

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe.” A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” Then he said to Thomas, “Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe.” Thomas answered him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to him, “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may
come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON: “Connecting Doubt with Faith” ..........The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore

~ We Respond to the Word ~

♦ THE HYMN NO. 817: “We Walk By Faith and Not by Sight” ..........DUNLAP’S CREEK

♦ THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Spoken in Unison)

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal. (From a Brief Statement of Faith, Ch. 11.2)

THE PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD’S PRAYER (Spoken in Unison)

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, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING OF GIFTS .............................................. Barb Nowland, Greeting Elder

THE PIANO OFERTORY: “I Walk In Peace With God” .........................Lani Smith

♦ THE DOXOLOGY NO. 609 (Modified) .............................. LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;

♦ THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION ................................. Barb Nowland, Greeting Elder

~ We Go Forth in Jesus’ Name ~

♦ THE HYMN OF SENDING NO. 238: “Thine Is the Glory” ............. JUDAS MACCABEUS

♦ THE CHARGE & BENEDICTION

♦ THE BENEDICTION RESPONSE: “May the Lord, Gracious Lord” .......Unknown

The Sanctuary Choir & Congregation

May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.
Let us be more like thee in our every endeavor.
Holy Spirit, Eternal God, this we pray together.
May the Lord, gracious Lord, bless and keep us forever.


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This Week at OBPC

Sunday, April 15, 2017
9:00 am......................Sunday School
10:00 am .....................Morning Worship
3:00 pm......................Sanctuary Choir
4:00 pm........................Service of Hope

Monday, April 16, 2017
7:30 am.............................A.A.
10:00 am.............................A.A.
6:30 pm............................Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 17, 2017
7:30 am.............................A.A.
10:00 am.............................A.A.
6:30 pm............................Cub Scouts

Wednesday, April 18, 2017
7:30 am.............................A.A.
10:00 am.............................A.A.
2:00 pm......................Congregational Care
3:00 pm ......................Sharing Stories
6:00 pm............................Sanctuary Choir
6:30 pm......................Adult Evening Study

Thursday, April 19, 2017
7:30 am.............................A.A.
10:00 am.............................A.A.
12:00 pm........ Third Thursday Lunch

Friday, April 20, 2017
7:30 am.............................A.A.
10:00 am.............................A.A.
8:00 am..........................Men’s Bible Study

Saturday, April 21, 2017
7:30 am.............................A.A.
10:00 am.............................A.A.

Sunday, April 22, 2017
9:00 am......................Sunday School
10:00 am .....................Morning Worship
5:00 pm......................Youth Group

Those Serving Today

This Week....
April 15, 2018
Greeting Elder: Barb Nowland
Liturgist: Brenda Brown
Coffee Hour: Lydia Circle
Children’s Church: Hollie & Jody Lewis

Next Week....
April 22, 2018
Greeting Elder: Barb Nowland
Liturgist: Nonie Booth
Coffee Hour: Fellowship Committee
Children’s Church: Braymiller/Wood

We offer our deepest sympathy to Duel and Nathalie Ballard upon the death of their daughter, Kathy Winters, on Thursday, April 5, 2018.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at E. Alvin Small Funeral Home in Colonial Heights, VA.

Please continue to pray for her parents, her daughter, her two sons, five grandchildren and numerous other family members and friends during this difficult time.

Sun., April 8 .................... $6,237.00
Total for April .................. $13,942.00
Pennies for Hunger ............ $54.01

Attendance
Sun., April 8 (AM) .............. 114
Third Thursday Luncheon

We will be meeting for the final Third Thursday lunch at Sugar Creek Restaurant in Nags Head, on April 19 at noon. Sugar Creek is on the causeway to Manteo (drive south on the bypass, past the outlet mall, and follow the road to the right).

Everyone is invited to come. You will select what you want to eat from their menu and pay your own bill. Please contact Jeanne Martie by Sunday evening, April 15, if you are interested in attending 441-8608 or jlmartie@charter.net.

On a side note, this is the last time I will be arranging for Third Thursday lunches. If anyone would like to start making arrangements with area restaurants, please contact me. I can give you all of the information I have accumulated the past few years. Lunches range from September to May. You can decide if you want to do it every month, every other month, or like this year, just three times. Third Thursday lunches are a fun opportunity for people to get to know each other.

Relay For Life: Service of Hope

This afternoon, April 15, at 4:00 pm, Outer Banks Presbyterian Church will host the Dare County Relay For Life Service of Hope. Several area ministers as well as a community choir will participate in this celebration of HOPE in the fight against cancer. Individuals will be given the opportunity to purchase a luminary for $10.00 prior to the service “In Honor Of” or “In Memory Of” a loved one. As part of the “Service of Hope” luminaries (bags with glow sticks) bearing the name of a person touched by cancer will be displayed.

Pastor’s Bible Study

The Rev. Dr. Jody Moore will be teaching a Tuesday evening Bible Study beginning on April 24th that will continue until May 22nd at 5:15 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Most of the lessons will come from the book of Acts, which tells the story of the early church. These lessons from Acts teach us some of the most foundational things about being in Christian community together. You are invited to come any week that you are able. It will follow the same format as the Bible Studies we have done in the past. We will be studying together on Tuesday the same passage that will be preached on the following Sunday. Please invite any friends or neighbors to come and join us. The schedule is as follows:

- April 24: Acts 4:5-22
- May 1: Acts 10
- May 22: Proverbs 8

Faith Knitters

Please note that Faith Knitters will meet on Tuesday, April 24, at 10:00 am, as opposed to what is printed in the church newsletter this month. Also, the last knitting before summer will be on May 15th. We will start up again in September.
Each day, let us remember the many in our church family who are ill, hurting, homebound, and lonely along with those who have lost loved ones this year.

**Homebound, Nursing Home & Out of Town Members**

Bud Sheets ........................................ 5500 W. Seachase Dr., Nags Head, NC 27959
Don & Nancy Bierwerth .......... 410 Hastings Ln, Apt. 309, Elizabeth City, NC 27909
Etta Parrott .......................... 3400 Bay Drive, Kitty Hawk NC 27949
Mickey Meekins .. Peak Resources, Rm. 407, 430 Health Center Dr., Nags Head, NC

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Suzanne Olejasz .............................................. Health Concerns
Ellen Grove ..................................................... Health Concerns
Dot Deal .................................................... Recovering from Pneumonia
Bettye Machen (Susi Gentry’s Stepmother) ................................ Health Concerns
Hans Stelzer (friend of Donna Lowcher) ................................ Health Concerns
Helen Gauvereau .................................................... Health Concerns
Nancy Messinger ..................................................... Health Concerns
Dorothy and Matt George .................................................. Health Concerns
Jack Abernathy ....................................................... Health Concerns
Shirley (Friend of Sharon McRee) .................................. Cancer Treatments
Frank Stalling (Jim Goes’ Son-in-Law) ................................ Health Concerns
Millie Rickers ..................................................... Health Concerns
Anne Cramer .................................................... Health Concerns
Jerry Hale ............................................................ Undergoing cancer treatments
George Daniels .................................................... Recovering from cancer
John Dick .............................................................. Health Concerns
Sarah Garvin (Mother of Teddy Garvin) ...................... Serious health concerns
Lawrence Rust (Grandson of Barbara Rust) ............... Deployed to Afghanistan
Russell Taylor (Lauren Taylor’s father) ......................... Advanced cancer
Amanda Kirkman (Friend of Trish Thomas) ..................... Health concerns
Ansley Johnson (Friend of Sharon McRee) ..................... 7-year old with Leukemia
Tim Tiller (Friend of Kathryn Lamb) .......................... Recovering from a stroke
Richard Pfersick (Friend of Barbara Rust in Georgia) ........ Serious heart problems
June Harris .......................... Recovering from brain injuries sustained in a car accident
Welcome to the Outer Banks Presbyterian Church. Our Church exists to worship God in Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament; to join others to know the joy of God’s forgiveness in Jesus Christ; to grow under the Lordship of Christ and to serve Christ’s world in His name. We invite you to share with us our trust in Jesus Christ and to join us as we strive to:

- Grow and strengthen our FAITH,
- Love and support our FAMILY,
- Reach out to our FRIENDS in need.

We encourage you to read “Sue’s Story,” the inspiration behind these goals in its entirety, on our website, on a brochure in the Gathering Space or on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We hope you will be inspired as we have been.

At OBPC, we recognize all of our visitors as God’s children, united as brothers and sisters in Christ. We hope our service inspires you and strengthens your faith. We hope you will join us again in celebration and worship to God. If you are interested in becoming a member or would like to know more about our church or any of our programs, please contact us!

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Our church believes providing worship for visitors is a vital part of our mission. Our building was planned to accommodate the many visitors who come to this vacation community. This places an additional financial challenge on our resident membership. We need and welcome financial support from our visitors.

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