# The Beacon

Sunrise Presbyterian Church

April 2022 Newsletter

#### Services and Special Events in Lent and during Holy Week

Sunday, April 10	Palm/Passion Sunday Services at 9 and 11 a.m.			
	Family Service at 10:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt to Follow Procession of the Palms at 11 a.m.			
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Thursday, April 14	6:00 p.m. Maundy Thursday Seder; Fellowship Hall			
Friday, April 15	7:30 p.m. Good Friday Service of Shadows (sunset is at 7:49 p.m.)			
Sunday, April 17	6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service on the beach			
	9:00 a.m. Celebration of the Resurrection			
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#### A Special Easter Season

#### Holy Week

This year, we plan to be back together for all the special services of the Easter Season. Yes, there will be the Community Sunrise Service on the beach, starting at 6:30 a.m. Holy Week will include the Maundy Thursday celebration of the Passover/Last Supper in the Fellowship Hall, and the Good Friday *Service of Shadows* at 7:30 p.m. Let me describe each of these special events and encourage you to attend.

#### Palm Sunday, April 10th

Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday. It is a wonderful celebration. This year there are two services in the sanctuary, 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The Family Service will be held in the Family Chapel at 10:00 a.m. with the Easter Egg Hunt following. Children are invited to bring their baskets!

#### Maundy Thursday, April 14th at 6:00 p.m.

This year, we will be back in the Fellowship Hall sharing the Passover Seder meal and the Lord's Supper. This is a very special evening. The Last Supper that Jesus celebrated with his disciples in the Upper Room was the Passover Seder. It retells the story of God rescuing the people of Israel from Egypt. It was during the Last Supper that Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper. This event makes that important connection as we first share the celebration of the Passover and then finish the evening with Communion.

#### Good Friday Service of Shadows, April 15th at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday sets the stage for the glory of Easter morning! During the *Service of Shadows* we are brought to the foot of the Cross. As the sun sets the sanctuary is filled with shadows until it is nearly dark. The service closes with the tolling of a bell thirty-three times for each year of our Lord's earthly life. If you have never attended the *Service of Shadows*, I invite you to experience the journey of Jesus from the Upper Room to the Garden of Gethsemane to his final words on the Cross.

#### Easter Sunday, April 17th

#### Community Sunrise Service on the Beach, April 17th at 6:30 a.m.

This year, Easter will dawn with the Community Sunrise Service on the beach at Breach Inlet for the first time since 2019! Rev. Paul Coleman, pastor of DeepWater will be giving the message. The service begins at 6:30 a.m. [sunrise is at 6:47 a.m.]

#### Celebration of the Resurrection, April 17th ~ 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

On Easter morning, we have two worship services in the sanctuary at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The services are the same except Reece Humphreys preaches at 9:00 a.m., and I will be preaching at 11:00 a.m.

We are excited to be returning to our familiar Holy Week and Easter morning schedule. This year, the sanctuary will be filled with joy and excitement on Easter morning!

In God's grace,

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**Palm Sunday Worship, Easter Egg Hunt & Procession of the Palms: April 10<sup>th</sup>**. Worship Services will be held at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The Procession of the Palms will be during the 11:00 a.m. service. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt that morning following the 10:00 a.m. Family Service. Bring your baskets!

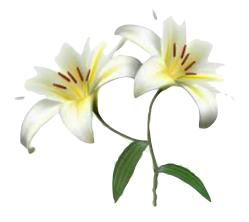
**Maundy Thursday Service and Seder: April 14**<sup>th</sup> **at 6:00 p.m.** We join the disciples in the Upper Room for their celebration of the Passover with Jesus. This is Jesus' Last Supper. Around tables in the Fellowship Hall, we retell the events of the first Passover in a Jewish Seder Meal. The evening will close with communion. This is a wonderful family event that recalls the story of the Exodus, as well as the historic context for Jesus' institution of The Lord's Supper.

**Good Friday - Service of Shadows: April 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 p.m.** This service is an adaptation of an early fourth-century worship service, traditional to Holy Week. The church is well lighted at the beginning of the service. The lights dim as it continues, until, at the end, the sanctuary is shrouded in deep shadows. The gradual extinguishing of the lights and candles is symbolic of the flight of the disciples and the resentment of the world leading to the final isolation of Jesus on the cross. At the conclusion a bell is tolled thirty-three times, recalling each year of Christ's life.



#### **Easter Services: Celebration of the Resurrection: April 17th.** The Community Easter Sunrise Service will be at 6:30 a.m. at Breach Inlet. The 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services will be in the Sanctuary. Easter Day flowering of the cross - Children may bring

flowers to decorate the cross during both later services.



Help decorate our Sanctuary for Easter Sunday! **Easter Lily** order forms are available in the Narthex. Please consider ordering them *in memory* of or *in honor* of loved ones. Forms may be placed in the offering plate or turned into the church office. You may also give online at <u>https://</u> <u>www.oursunrise.org/give/</u> with "Easter Lily" in the memo line and email your dedication to the church office at sunrisepresbyterian3222@gmail.com. The flowers are a beautiful way to help decorate our sanctuary for the *Celebration of the Resurrection* on Easter Sunday. The order deadline is April 3rd.

### NE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING SPECIAL OFFERINGS HUNGER • DISASTER • DEVELOPMENT

The three programs supported by One Great Hour of Sharing -Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People - all work in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need. From initial disaster response to ongoing community development, their work fits together to provide people with safety, sustenance, and hope.





### our **ELDERS**

Alan Henderson (Missions Elder) Eric Kimker (Worship Elder) Andy Rhyne (Pastoral Care Elder) Ross Heaton (Personnel Elder) Hannah Kern (Spring 2022 Elder for Youth) Georgia Stewart (Summer 2022 Elder for Youth) Kristen Champagne (Building & Grounds Elder) Jon Mercereau (Clerk of Session, Elder) Cal McRae (Finance Elder) Jimmy Hiers (Fellowship Elder)

A BIG thank you to our Elders who rotated off the Session: Kellie Apat, Ammeline Stewart, Cathy Blackwelder, Steve Bostic, Dan Hancock



## Sunrise Mission Project

The children of Sunrise are excited about a mission project they're getting ready to undertake, and they need your help! In late April they will be assembling hygiene kits for Church World Services. These kits will go to individuals and families in need both in the U.S. and across the globe. Whether they've lost their home to a natural disaster, are suffering from the effects of poverty or war, tens of thousands of these kits are distributed each year to those who need them. This is where you come in; we need supplies.

The good news is we have some items leftover from taking part in this project three years ago, so the list is limited. Here's what we need:

- •Hand towels (no wash clothes)
- •Sturdy wide tooth combs (with at least six inches of teeth no pocket combs or picks)
- •Standard size Band-Aids
- •Bath-size bars of soap in original packages
- •Fingernail or toenail clippers

These are the only items we need. They cannot accept things like toothpaste and shampoo.

Finally, we include a \$2.00 processing fee for each kit. If you would prefer to make a financial donation to help us cover this cost, make your check out to Sunrise Presbyterian Church and write "hygiene kit" in the memo line.

If you have any questions, please contact Reece at <u>reecehsmith@yahoo.com</u>. Thank you for your help!

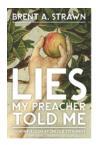


**Recent Prayer Concerns** (Names are listed for a month): Harper Uyttenhove (niece of Pam & Tim Kane), Trip Ritchie, Bill (Lynn Riker's brother-in-law), Lauren Nelson, John Nelson, Margaret Lavender, Kimberly (daughter of Marty & Don Belk), Alan & Melissa Henderson.

**Continuing Prayer Concerns** (Names are listed for 3 months): Finny (family friend of the LaTorres), Nancy Hitchcock (friend of Cal & Billie McRae), Tracy Lambros (friend of Mary Ann and Jack Heidenreich), Gerry Hiers (Jimmy Hiers' mother), Lou Mintz, Leesa Phipps, Gail Owen (Lynn Riker's sister), Lee Sarp, Patrick McDougal, Linda Scott, John Myatt, Linda Hawkins, Frank Godfrey, Peggy Wolford, Nancy Butler, Betty Imsande, Lou Bovie.

If you'd like to add someone to either prayer list, please let the church know at <u>sunrisepresbyterian3222@gmail.com</u> or <u>843.883.3888</u>. 1) indicate if the person should be placed on the **Recent** OR **Continuing** prayer list and 2) the **individual's mailing address** so that they may receive postcards with expressions of care and concern from the congregation.

### Join a Small Group at Sunrise!



The Women's Evening Bible Study will meet April 19th at 5:30 p.m. We are using the book *Lies My Preacher Told Me: An Honest Look At The Old Testament* by Brent Strawn as our study guide. We will meet in person at the church and there will also be a zoom link for a remote option. Any questions, please contact me at <u>reecehsmith@vahoo.com</u>. ~ Reece



The Miriam-Naomi Circle will meet at 10:00 a.m. on April 12th. All women of the church are invited to attend. Our minister, Vance will lead us in our study book *Inviation To John* by Robert D. Kysar. We will continue our fellowship after the study with lunch at a convenient location for those who can do so.



Start off your Tuesdays with the Jerry Dillon Men's Prayer Breakfast at 7:30 am in the Fellowshp Hall. The Prayer Breakfast is back in full swing, starting the day off right with great food, fellowship, and a devotion.



Youth Group is meeting under the leadership of Caroline Faltynski and Heather Heckart (see their bios below), two Sunrise young adults who have volunteered to prepare programs and meet with the youth weekly. Looking ahead to Sunday, April 3rd , they are planning a pancake making dinner. The youth are invited to come and create amazing pancakes! Youth Group meets every Sunday from 5:30-7:00 p.m. There is dinner and a program. Youth Group includes middle school and high school age young people.



Hi! My name is Heather Heckart, I'm 23 years old and I've been volunteering with the Youth Group since I moved here from Columbia about 3 years ago. I'm a licensed cosmetologist working at a barbershop near Isle of Palms. I live in West Ashley with my very lovely cat, Hugo. My family has been attending Sunrise since 2014. I'm so honored to be welcomed in as part of the Youth Leadership team.



Hi, I am Caroline, and I am excited to continue to work with the Sunrise youth group. I am from Mt. Pleasant and graduated from Wando High School in 2014. I am now pursuing a BS degree from Western Governors University. I live in North Charleston with my dog, Scout. My favorite things to do are fishing and spending time with my little cousins. I am looking forward to the fun upcoming activities we have planned for the youth!



Easter Sunday music will feature Baroque composers Purcell, Bach, and others played by Brendan Breen and John King. Read their bios below:



My name is Brendan Breen and I am a junior at Wando High School. I have played the trumpet for 6 years and I am a drum major in the Wando Band. In my free time I enjoy hanging out with my friends and watching movies. In college I hope to study trumpet performance to become a classical musician!



Hi, my name is John King and I am in 12th grade at Wando High School. I have been playing trumpet for nearly 8 years. I am currently a member in the Wando Symphonic Band and hope to continue my musical career at the University of South Carolina.



Thank You Heidi and Kent for the beautiful music you brought to Sunrise. Your voices and musical talent will be greatly missed!

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