

THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH

MARCH 31, 2019
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT



BECOMING AWARE

“In the days of my girlhood, when everyone sat on their porches, usually on their swings, it was the way we all became acquainted with one another, the way we created community...A perfect porch is a place where the soul can rest.”

---bell hooks

GATHERING

RINGING OF THE SANCTUS BELL

INVOCATION

Marcus McFaul

PRELUDE

Praise the Lord

Douglas Warner
Bell Choir

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Austin Maynor

One: In the name of God,
**Many: who created us,
who holds us and the whole world with loving hands**

One: In the name of the Christ
**Many: who came into the world,
who reconciles us with God and one another.**

One: In the name of the Holy Spirit
**Many: who fills us with life anew,
who gives us a ministry of reconciliation
and calls us to peace,**

One: Let us worship God together,
Many: Welcomed home by a compassionate and merciful love. Amen.

~from the Church of Scotland

* OPENING HYMN

There's A Wideness in God's Mercy

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* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you.
Many: And also with you.

* SONG OF PRAISE

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

Robert Jackson

sung twice by all

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Breathe on Me, Breath of God'. It consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/4. The lyrics are: 'Breathe on me, Breath of God; fill me with life a - new, that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.'

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, SERVICE, & FELLOWSHIP

Please pass the Friendship Registers found on each row. Complete the requested information and then pass it back down the row.

Thank you for worshipping with us at Binkley!

LISTENING & PRAYING

THE PSALM LESSON

Psalm 32

One: The word of God for the people of God.

Many: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

In the quiet moments of Confession, consider where you have directly or indirectly turned away from or hindered the flourishing of the Divine, your self, your neighbor, our Earth.

RESPONSE

Kind and Merciful God

see insert

stanza 1

HOLDING SILENCE TOGETHER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. *II Corinthians 5:16-21*

THE MORNING PRAYER

RESPONSE

Kind and Merciful God

see insert

stanza 5

HEARING & GIVING

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 15:1-3, 16-32

One: This is the Gospel of Christ.

Many: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

I Will Arise

Alice Parker & Robert Shaw

The Chancel Choir

I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms. In the arms of my dear Savior, Oh! There are ten thousand charms. Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above, praise the mount I'm fixed upon it, mount of thy redeeming love. Come thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace, streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.

SERMON

A Front Porch Tale from Four Voices

Marcus McFaul

OFFERTORY

Song of the Spirit

Derek Hayes
Bell Choir

* DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

OLD HUNDREDTH

*The sign language accompanying the Doxology is suspended during Lent.
We will resume the signing of the Doxology on Easter Sunday.*

* AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Amazing Grace

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*If you wish to become a member of Binkley Baptist Church today,
you are invited to come forward during the hymn to be welcomed and received.*

* RECEPTION & INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

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* BLESSING & BENEDICTION

* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

Amen

John Rutter

POSTLUDE

How Firm a Foundation

Robert Lau

Upon leaving the Sanctuary, please be mindful of those choosing to use the Postlude as their final act of worship.



Guests, welcome! We are so glad you have chosen to worship with us today. Please leave your name and contact information in the Friendship Register so we can get to know you better.

The flowers on the communion table are given by Charles and Diana Coble in loving memory of their parents: Myrth & Glenn Semke and Mack & Margaret Coble.

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We are grateful for the musical gifts offered today by The Chancel Choir.

Hearing assistance devices and children's worship bags are available in the Narthex.

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Thank you for serving in the Nursery Heather McCuiston and Grace Wheeler.

*** The Congregation standing** as each is able.

Kind and Merciful God

1. Kind and mer - ci - ful God, we have sinned in your sight, we have
2. Kind and mer - ci - ful God, we've ne - glect - ed your Word and the
3. Kind and mer - ci - ful God, we have bro - ken your laws and in
4. Kind and mer - ci - ful God, in Christ's death on the cross you pro-
5. Kind and mer - ci - ful God, bid us lift up our heads and com-

all wan-dered far from your way; we have fol-lowed de - sire, we have
truth that would guide us a - right; we have lived in the shade of the
con - duct have veered from the norm; we have dreamed of the good, but the
vid - ed a cleans - ing from sin; speak the words that for - give, that hence-
mand us to rise from our knees; may our hearts now be changed and no

failed to as - pire to the vir - tue we ought to dis - play.
dark we have made, when you willed us to walk in the light.
good that we could we have fre - quent - ly failed to per - form.
forth we may live by the might of your Spir - it with - in.
long - er es - tranged, through the power of your par - don and peace.

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WELCOME TO BINKLEY!

Binkley Baptist Church is a community of faith on a journey that calls for questioning, humility and conviction.

As followers of Jesus, we embrace spiritual growth, mutual care, and service, assured that as we serve our neighbors, we joyfully serve God. Intentionally inclusive, we welcome people of all races, sexual orientations, and cultures, respecting diverse religious experiences within the church and beyond. We invite others to join us in our commitment to peace, justice, and care for creation. In a spirit of Christian love, we welcome you.



*The mission of Binkley Baptist Church is
building compassionate and joyful community,
freely exploring spiritual paths,
and pursuing justice and peace in the way of Jesus.*

THIS WEEK AT BINKLEY

Sunday	3/31	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching</i>	Sanctuary
		6:00 pm	Youth Group	Sunroom/Lounge
Monday	4/1	5:15 pm	Hand Bell Choir	Sanctuary
		7:00 pm	Diaconate	Sunroom
Tuesday	4/2	1:00 pm	Sermon Shaping	Library
		7:00 pm	Kerygma Bible Study	Lounge
		8:00 pm	Compline for Students	Chapel
Wednesday	4/3	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
		12:00 pm	Breathing Underwater Lenten Series	Lounge
Saturday	4/6	8:00 am	Men's Group	Off site
Sunday	4/7	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Austin Maynor preaching</i>	Sanctuary
		12:15 pm	College Student Ministry Lunch	Fellowship Hall
		12:15 pm	Fine Arts Reception	Narthex
		12:15 pm	Peace and Justice	Library
		6:00 pm	Youth Group	Sunroom/Lounge

LISTENING SESSION POSTPONED:

The Listening session scheduled for today regarding the new church sign has been postponed due to logistical considerations. The session will be rescheduled after Easter. Please refer to the links in the Friday update and newsletter to review the preliminary proposal and comments from the congregation. Prayerfully consider the needs of the church and participate in April by sharing your perspectives and listening carefully to those of others.

LENTEN COMPLINE SERVICES FOR STUDENTS: Tuesdays during Lent, 8 pm, Chapel:

All graduate and undergraduate students are invited to gather in the chapel each Tuesday evening during Lent for Compline. Offered at the close of day, Compline is an ancient prayer service that directs the heart toward God as the body prepares for evening rest. Our services will include poetry, scripture, responsive readings, and a guided prayer. The service will begin at 8PM and will last for about half an hour. Please contact Austin Maynor with any questions.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES: Apr. 3, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall: *One Breath at a Time: A Skeptic's Guide to Christian Meditation.*

The fifth installment of this six-part series led by Dana Trent. For full details, please check the March newsletter. Check 'Event' in the Friendship Register or RSVP to the office by Monday, April 1 at noon. Dinner is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children.

MEN'S GROUP: Saturday, Apr. 6, 8:00 am, The Egg & I Community Room:

All Men of Binkley and friends are welcome for breakfast

WALK THE LABYRINTH

The labyrinth is an ancient spiritual tool. Its winding walk symbolizes a pilgrim's walk with God. In walking the labyrinth, you may pray, let go of burdens, meditate, rededicate mind and heart, or simply be. After worship on Palm Sunday, Binkley members, along with 8 other area congregations, will transform the Sanctuary by laying a labyrinth in the middle. The labyrinth is available throughout Holy Week. Come as you are; children are also welcome!

and Fellowship. Dutch treat. 1101 Environ Way, Chapel Hill, 27517.

IN THE LIGHT OF SELF-COMPASSION: Women's Retreat, May 3-5, 2019 – Salter Path, NC.

Join Binkley women (and invite friends) for a weekend to renew body and spirit at the beach. We'll consider practices of self-care physically, spiritually and mentally. Laughter is sure to be on the menu. *The Trinity Center is our host*, and May is a lovely time to be at the seaside. Registration forms are available at Stephanie Ford's door.

MEET AND GREET ARTIST JOAN MEADE:

Guest artist Joan Meade will be available after worship on April 7 to meet and greet our congregation. She will be honored at a reception in the narthex sponsored by the Fine Arts and Fellowship committees. Mrs. Meade of Chapel Hill painted the 31 landscapes currently displayed in our sanctuary and narthex. Titled "For the Beauty of the Earth," the exhibit focuses on the natural world, particularly water, rocks, and trees in all their amazing manifestations. Its 31 paintings are inspired by her travels in the United States and Europe. The paintings will remain in place through Easter Sunday. Additional information about Mrs. Meade and her work are available on the credenza in the narthex and at www.joanmeade.com.

LENTEN BANNER: The banner hanging in the sanctuary this Lenten season shows the name Jesus in sign language, one hand touching the other where the nails were. The Greek letters Chi and Rho on the left side show one of the early forms of Christogram using the first two letters of the Greek spelling of Christos.

LABYRINTH AVAILABLE FOR WALKING	
Sunday, 4/14	4 pm-8:30 pm
Mon.-Tue., 4/15-16	6:30 am-8:30 pm
Weds.,-Thurs., 4/17-18	6:30 am-6 pm
Friday, 4/19	6:30 am-1:30 pm

See April newsletter for more details.



PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 14

Morning Celebration, 9:00 am
Church School, 9:30 am
Worship, 10:45 am

Marcus McFaul preaching; palm fronds and celebratory music commemorate Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.

Service begins at 10:45 am in the St. Francis Courtyard for the Palm Processional.

MAUNDY THURSDAY

APRIL 18

Meal with Communion, 6:00 pm

Service provided by the Deacons in the Fellowship Hall.



GOOD FRIDAY

APRIL 19

Service, 12:00 pm

Readings from the four Gospel passion stories as well as music and prayers. Four fifteen-minute opportunities to remember and reflect.

People may walk the labyrinth during the service. Held in the Sanctuary.



EASTER SUNDAY

APRIL 21

Sunrise Service, 6:30 am

St. Francis Courtyard

Led by Dale Osborne

Easter Breakfast, 9:45 am

Fellowship Hall

Bring your tasty contributions and fresh flowers to decorate the "Resurrection Cross."

Easter Worship, 11:00 am

Sanctuary

Marcus McFaul preaching; music from The Chancel Choir, brass, and organ.

Children's Easter

Egg Hunt, 12:15 pm

Big Playground



holy week

DEACON ELECTIONS

On April 28, we will elect new deacons to take office in May. These new deacons will replace those completing their three-year terms: Gretchen Ayslworth, Marcella Burk-Groon, Stuart Cantrell, Terry Huneycutt, and Allan Maltbie. The new deacons will join Chair-elect Jim Wise and Margie Billinger, Barbara Davis, Dele Famoyegun, Anne Fishel, Vivian Honor, Lyn Lamont, Karin Mills, Marty Moore, Sybil Wagner, and Anne Winfield. Our congregation speaks of the mission of Binkley Baptist Church as “building compassion and joyful community”. Deacons embody this by assisting our ministers in pastoral care for the congregation. This will differ from deacon to deacon as each decides how best to reach out to those members assigned to him/her in order to deepen our congregational connections.

A list of Binkley members eligible to serve as new deacons is currently posted in the narthex. Please prayerfully consider leaving your name on the list of possible nominees this year. If you feel you are not able to serve as a deacon at this time, **please mark your name off this list or notify Stephenie Sanders in the church office by April 22.** The names remaining will become the nominees on the ballot on April 28.

It has been my great joy to serve as your Diaconate Chair this past year. ~Terry Huneycutt

What it means to be a Deacon...

Pastoral Care	
General Contact	Reach out via phone, email, card, or visit following initial assignment of member/family. Recognize special occasions such as birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc. Notify church office, Deacon Buddy, and your Deacon Families if you are going to be away for an extended period of time. At Christmas and Easter, deliver remaining poinsettias and lilies (after the services) to members of your Deacon Family who are ill, shut-in, or recently bereave
New Members	Contact monthly for the first several months to ensure that they feel welcomed and are assimilating to the church.
Serious Illness/Crisis/Problem	When aware or alerted by the church office, contact the member to offer support and to ask how you can assist. If made aware by the member, contact the pastor(s).
Death in family	Talk with the family before the funeral/memorial service and ask how you can support them; coordinate with Deacon Chair and pastors regarding needs of the family; attend the service, if possible; maintain contact with bereaved persons over time
Worship/Church Life	
Monthly meetings and informal updates	Attend and actively participate in regular meetings of the Diaconate normally held the first Monday of each month.
Communion	Serve Communion at designated services, generally the first Sunday of each month, and provide communion assistance at Carolina Meadows.
Worship Greeters	Serve as a Greeter at one of the entrances prior to Church School and Sunday Worship services. Alert the ministers to the presence of visitors.
Nomination of officers	Identify nominees for Church Council offices and committee chairpersons as prescribed in the Constitution.
Birth of Baby	The Sunday after a baby’s birth (child, grandchild), place a rose on the Communion table. After the service, give the rose to the family.
Maundy Thursday	Volunteer to prepare, serve, or assist with set-up/clean-up for this evening event. This is a Deacon Sponsored event..
New Member Orientation	When possible, volunteer to assist with orientation sessions for new and prospective church members.

BINKLEY PRAYER CONCERNS AND JOYS

CHURCH FAMILY

Andrew Pike	Gladess Crisp	Marcella Wagoner	Edith Wiggins
Rachel Avery	Carl Henley	Weldon Thornton	Don Reinfurt
Mable Strowd	Al Wheless	Pam Swanson-Boyd	Marge Miles

Our condolences to Chon Shoaf, whose mother died recently.

HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Overton	Carolyn Kozelka	Nancy Joyner
Judy Eastman	Bill Bodkin	Margaret Atkins

EXTENDED FAMILY

Aaron and Vianey Perkinson, Moody AFB, Valdosta, GA (Nape Baker)	The Comprehensive Rural Health Project, Jamkhed (Connie Gates)	The Binkley Church Council The Binkley Diaconate
David Hilsabeck (Adams Wofford & Sybil Wagner)	Tom Long (Karen Long)	Dirk Leiser (Mary Lou Smith)
Nanh & Veo Siu (Ehn Rocham & Phytut Siu)	David Houser (Paul Lindsay)	Beth Posner (Sarah Hill Colwell)
Tan & Scott Coats (Burma missionaries)	LewLew Whyne (Julie Lentz)	Johnny O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)
Torren Kudzal, US Army (Roal Carlson)	John Wofford (Adams Wofford)	Nancy Dixon (Pam Swanson Boyd)
Maria de la Mata Bruno (Maribel Bruno)	Fred Clifford (Dick Clifford)	Ann & John Glover (Alice Glover)
Ellen Powell & Family (Myra Knight)	Betsy Bradley (Julie Lentz)	Ethan Zolit (Martha Hutt)
Pinheiro Baptist Church, Maceio, Brazil	Dan McInnis (Gary Stutts)	Alice Meisner (Craig Meisner)
Tara Strickland Hogan (The Walker Family)	Scott Carpenter (Libba Wells)	Don Knight (Josiah & Myra Knight)
Valerie & Percell Harper (April Harper)	Wendy Gulley (Teeta West)	Doris Tillman (Lori Barbier)
The Breckenridge Family (Tim Bradshaw)	Sarah Bednarek (Karen Long)	

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