

THE OLIN T. BINKLEY MEMORIAL BAPTIST CHURCH



APRIL 28, 2019
A CELEBRATION OF GOD'S CREATION

BECOMING AWARE

*God of all creation,
Thank you for the wonderful things you have made.
Thank you for the universe full of stars and planets.
Thank you for our world, full of life.
Thank you for making each one of us.
Thank you for loving each one of us.
Take these gifts we now offer back to you.
May they be used to the glory of your name.
We offer you ourselves, and all the gifts you have blessed us with.
Take us and use us to share your love with the world. Amen*

~ from the Diocese of Bath and Well

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Medley of Favorite Hymns

The Old Time Gospel Band

INVOCATION

Austin Maynor

* LITANY OF COMMITMENT TO EARTH CARE

One: Grant us a spirit of concern for the future of our environment; bring an end to the exploitation of the earth's scarce resources; encourage us to be responsible stewards of your Creation.

Many: Creator God, make us prophets of our time.

One: Grant us a spirit of respect, recognizing the value and integrity of all Creation; encourage us to be accepting of ourselves and of others.

Many: Creator God, make us prophets of our time.

One: Help us become advocates of peace, bringing an end to conflict and division; renew our commitment to challenging the causes of injustice.

Many: Creator God, make us prophets of our time.

One: Grant us a spirit of openness to see God within and around us; help us to rejoice in the good we have experiences as we move forward to the future; help us use our senses to celebrate beauty and creativity in the world.

Many: Creator God, make us prophets of our time.

One: Grant us a spirit of truth to recognize failings, which have hurt us, others and the world; give us the humility to ask forgiveness for our part in any wrongdoing.

Many: Creator God, make us prophets of our time.

One: Grant us a spirit of generosity to reach out in trust to those who we encounter; help us to embody God's love in our relationships with one another and with all Creation.

Many: Creator God, make us prophets of our time.

* OPENING HYMN

Morning Has Broken

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* PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

One: The peace of Christ be with you!

Many: And also with you!

WELCOME & OPPORTUNITIES FOR GROWTH, SERVICE, & FELLOWSHIP

LISTENING & PRAYING

OLD TESTAMENT LESSONS

Genesis 1: 31; Genesis 9: 8-10; Exodus 23: 10-11;
Leviticus 25: 3-7; Job 12: 7-10

EARTH TESTIMONY FROM A YOUTH

Caroline Butler

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 4:26-29

RECOGNIZING OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

Marcus McFaul

EARTH DAY MEDITATION “The Grass is Always Greener”

Dale Osborne

REFLECTING WITH ALL OUR SENSES

OFFERTORY

Keep on the Sunny Side

The Old Time Gospel Band

* DOXOLOGY

Please sign with the leader or simply sing.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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

PRAYERS FOR THE EARTH

Terry Huneycutt

* AN INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

Neighbors, Let Us Join Together

TUNE: HOLY MANNA

*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.*

**1) Neighbors, let us join together
in communion with our Lord.
God is present in the Spirit;
let us go with one accord.
In the world our task awaits us
all our talents to employ
in the process of creation,
evil forces to destroy.**

**2) Much we know not; much we suffer
from our failures and our fears.
What we do and what we see done
give us cause for grief and tears.
We must fight, and we must conquer
greed, pollution, power, hate.
Love impels, and we must follow
where it leads—we must not wait.**

**3) Let us start by treating all life—
people, plants, and minerals, too—
with respect and needing nurture
in the search for what is true.
Let us uphold grace and justice,
peace and human dignity;
thus we'll know God's wondrous promise:
time becomes eternity.**

Text: Pauline Binkley Cheek

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

This Land is Your Land

The Old Time Gospel Band



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.*

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.

Today's floral arrangement is given by The Earth Ministries and Grounds Committees in gratitude for the congregation's support in our efforts to beautify our property and be sustainers of God's creation.

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.

EARTH DAY TREE PLANTING CEREMONY

Binkley Baptist Church

April 28, 2019

OPENING COMMENTS

Charles Coble

ADVICE FROM A TREE/ADVICE FOR PLANTING A TREE

Janet O'Neal

TREES: WHY SHOULD WE CARE?

Nancy and Neal Cheek

BLESSING OF THE TREE

Rev. Dale Osborne

PLACING SOIL AROUND THE TREE

*Kevin, Jennifer, Ashlynn and Erin Mahoney
followed by all Friends and Members of Binkley Church*

Just a few contributions to other life from trees:

- ❖ Trees are the 'lungs' of the Earth and are essential to animal and plant life on Earth. They create the very air we breathe and filter air pollution.
- ❖ An average size tree produces enough oxygen in one year to keep a family of four breathing.
- ❖ Trees provide shelter and food for wildlife such as birds, squirrels, and a myriad of insects. Groves of trees provide food and cover for larger mammals, such as raccoons and deer.
- ❖ Trees in the landscape calm and relax us, lower heart rates, and reduce stress; they make people feel good.
- ❖ Trees are material providers such as drugs, teas, essences, pigments, wood, fiber, resin, paper, oils, honey, fruits, flowers, seeds, and much more.
- ❖ Trees reduce urban runoff and erosion by storing water and breaking the force of rain as it falls.
- ❖ Trees absorb sound and reduce noise pollution.
- ❖ Trees encourage us to be out of doors more, improving our health through physical activity.



Advice from a Tree

*Dear Friend
Stand Tall and proud
Sink your roots deeply into the Earth
Reflect the light of your true nature
Think long term
Go out on a limb*

*Remember your place among all living things
Embrace with joy the changing seasons
For Each yields its own abundance
The Energy and Birth of Spring
The Growth and Contentment of Summer
The Wisdom to let go like leaves in the Fall
The Rest and Quiet renewal of Winter*

*Feel the wind and the sun
And delight in their presence
Look up at the moon that shines down upon you
And the mystery of the stars and night
Seek nourishment from the good things in life
Simple pleasure
Earth, fresh air, light*

*Be content with your natural beauty
Drink plenty of water
Let your limbs sway and dance in the breezes
Be flexible
Remember your roots
Enjoy the view!*

THIS WEEK AT BINKLEY

Sunday	4/28	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Earth Day Outdoor Worship: <i>Dale Osborne preaching</i>	Peace Plaza
		6:00 pm	Youth Group	Sunroom/Lounge
Monday	4/29	5:15 pm	Hand Bell Choir	Sanctuary
Tuesday	4/30	9:30 am	Staff Meeting	Library
		1:00 pm	Sermon Shaping	Library
Wednesday	5/1	9:00 am	Morning Prayer	Chapel
		5:30 pm	Wednesday Night Series	Fellowship Hall
		7:30 pm	Chancel Choir	Choir Room
Friday			Youth & Women's Retreats Depart	
Saturday	5/4	8:00 am	Men's Group	Offsite
Sunday	5/5	9:00 am	Morning Celebration	Lounge
		9:30 am	Sunday School	
		11:00 am	Worship: <i>Marcus McFaul preaching; Communion</i>	Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERIES: May 1, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall. At the Intersection of Faith and Medicine: Ray Barfield

Dr. Barfield, oncologist and pediatric palliative care specialist at Duke Health, professor at Duke Divinity School, and writer, will share his latest thinking at this complex and critical juncture in the healing arts. At Duke he considers theology, humanities, and the arts in the formation of physicians. Check out Ray's Ted Talk, and come to meet Peart Barfield's son! Check 'Event' in the Friendship Register or let the office know you are coming by noon on Monday, April 29. Dinner is \$7 for adults, \$4 for children.

PRESCHOOL PIZZA PICNIC! Thursday, May 2, 5:30 pm, Binkley Playground: All are welcome to attend Binkley Preschool's Pizza Picnic. The Preschool will be selling Village Pizza and Pasta pepperoni and cheese pizzas. Choose from large 18" pepperoni or cheese pizzas or order by the slice at \$2 each. You can send your order to courtneygracewright@gmail.com by May 1st. Come visit with Preschool parents and their kids! Have fun! Eat pizza!

MEN OF BINKLEY: Saturday, May 4, 8 am, The Egg & I: The May gathering of the Men of Binkley will be Saturday, May 4 at the Egg & I, 8:00-9:30 a.m. All Binkley men and friends are welcome.

WELCOME TO BINKLEY! INQUIRER'S CLASS: Sundays, May 5-26, 9:45 am, Library: An Inquirer's Class Opportunity for those interested in learning about the mission and ministries of our church. Facilitated by Senior Minister Dr. Marcus McFaul, these sessions are designed especially for those who are interested in joining by membership. May 5, 12, 19, and 26 during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:30 am in the Library). **Register for the class no later than April 30** by contacting the church office: office@binkleychurch.org

BLOOD DRIVE: Thursday, May 9, 2-6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall. Sponsored by Health Ministries. Sign up to donate blood by visiting redcrossblood.org, sponsor keyword BINKLEY or call 1-800-RED CROSS. See Linda Textoris for more information.

NEEDED: BINKLEY BODIES AND SOULS FOR JUSTICE: Thursday, May 9, 7:30 pm, Lattisgrove Missionary Baptist Church: At least 12 Binkley members are needed to lend support to the churches of Orange County Justice United at its Public Assembly, Thursday, May 9. Orange County Schools will soon enter another hiring season. Will they have the necessary resources in place to hire more diverse teachers and front office, bi-lingual staff? Board Chair Brenda Stephens, Vice Chair Sarah Smylie, and Superintendent Todd Wirt will be at the meeting to report on promising developments. Meanwhile, extremely low income residents face a crisis of displacement and homelessness in Chapel Hill. The first clients have moved into housing under the Justice United's Master Leasing Plan. We will celebrate this success and chart a path toward a more inclusive and affordable community. The assembly is at Lattisville Grove Missionary Baptist Church, 1701 Jimmy Ed Rd., Hurdle Mills. 7:30 to 9:00 PM. Gathering begins at 7:00 PM. A free bus will leave from St. Thomas More Church at 6:30 p.m. Carpools can also be arranged. For information, please contact Paul Lindsay, 919-604-1699, plindsay2@aol.com.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019: June 24-28: Using an animated version of C.S. Lewis' timeless *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, this year's VBS curriculum, entitled "Aslan is on the Move!" offers participants an opportunity to experience the story through imaginative role-playing, games and discussion. Be inspired by Aslan, resist the White Witch, and enter Narnia through the "wardrobe door." Exploring together events and issues presented in the story, children and adults consider profound new understandings about life. **Open to all!**

FREE MORNING SESSIONS
9 am – 12:15 pm VBS Program
snacks and playground time included

OPTIONAL AFTERNOON PROGRAM
Offered by Town of Chapel Hill Parks & Rec
12:15 – 3:15 pm
\$10 per child for the week, bring bag lunch

Registration now open! Space is limited.

Visit binkleychurch.org for more information and to register or contact Stephanie Ford, stephanie@binkleychurch.org.

CELEBRATE EARTH DAY AT BINKLEY
by becoming familiar with some important NC State legislation possibilities:

HB767: State Clean Energy Goal for 2050 - This bill establishes a state goal that 100% of North Carolina's electricity be generated by renewable energy resources by December 31, 2050. Requires the State Energy Office, in consultation with the North Carolina Utilities Commission and the Public Staff, to develop a plan to achieve that goal, and to submit its plan to the 2020 Regular Session of the 2019 General Assembly upon its convening.

HB750: Clarify Deed Restrictions/Solar Collectors - This bill amends GS22B-20, which makes deed restrictions and other agreements prohibiting solar collectors on residential property void and unenforceable. It reduces the restrictions of solar by Home Owner Associations that currently can prohibit residential solar installations that are public-facing or force a home owner to reposition a solar installation.

HB632: Hydraulic Fracturing/Statewide Ban - Prohibits any agency of the State, including the specified entities, from issuing a permit for oil or gas exploration or development activities using horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing treatments.

NORTH CAROLINA INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT

Who We Are:

NCIPL connects the faith voice of North Carolina around climate change, encouraging mitigation of the effects and resilient communities through its programs and engaging in the public policy process by advocacy with compassion. We speak for what we love and take action for the future of our children and the children of all species. www.ncipl.org

Morning Has Broken

1. Morn - ing has bro - ken like the first morn - ing, black-bird has
 2. Sweet the rain's new fall sun - lit from heav - en, like the first
 3. Mine is the sun - light! Mine is the morn - ing born of the

spo - ken like the first bird. Praise for the sing - ing! Praise for the
 dew - fall on the first grass. Praise for the sweet - ness of the wet
 one light E - den saw play! Praise with e - la - tion, praise ev - ery

Am G C G Am Dm G7 C

morn - ing! Praise for them, spring - ing fresh from the Word!
 gar - den, sprung in com - plete - ness where God's feet pass.
 morn - ing, God's re - cre - a - tion of the new day!

WORDS: Eleanor Farjeon, 1931
 MUSIC: Gaelic melody; arr. Dale Grotenhuis, 1985

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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

Thank you for your prayers and warm thoughts for my nephew, Torren Kudzal, who is completing his term of service in the U.S. Army and will be returning to civilian life. ~Roal Carlson

Our condolences to the family of Denton Lotz, who died on Tuesday, April 23. He was the general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance from 1988 to 2007, a UNC alum, and was ordained at Binkley in 1966.

HEALTH CENTER RESIDENTS AND THOSE IN THE HOSPITAL

Ann Overton	Carolyn Kozelka	Nancy Joyner	Anne Winfield
Judy Eastman	Bill Bodkin	Margaret Atkins	Charlie Kinnaird

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 McIntyre)
Tan & Scott Coats (Burma missionaries)	LewLew Whayne (Julie Lentz)	Johnny O'Neal (Janet O'Neal)
The Breckenridge Family (Tim Bradshaw)	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)
Sarah Bednarek (Karen Long)	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)
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