

The Order of Service for the Worship of God
Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church
April 2, 2017
Fifth Sunday in Lent

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

GREETINGS OF PEACE

The grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

"I Know My Redeemer Liveth"

G.F. Handel, arr. Victor Labenske

+CALL TO WORSHIP

O mortal, can these bones live?
Only the Lord God knows.
O People, hope in the Lord.

With the Lord there is steadfast love and great power to redeem.

+HYMN OF PRAISE

"In the Bulb There Is a Flower"

No. 250

Tune: PROMISE

+PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of New Life, we confess before you and one another that we grow comfortable with the way things are in our lives, in the church, and in the world. We do not always welcome the new life you offer in Christ, for you overturn our notions of power and protocol. Sure of our own righteousness, we are critical of others. Wanting to control our assets, we hoard the gifts you give us. Forgive us, we pray, for seeking our gain at the expense of others. Help us bend our lives toward your own life of self-giving and sacrifice. Fill us, our homes and churches, the whole world, with the abundant love of Christ until all are made new. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.

+SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

+KYRIE "Lord Have Mercy" (sung responsively) Cantor, Evan Adair
Lord Have Mercy.... Christ Have Mercy..... Lord Have Mercy

+ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, this is the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

"Gloria Patri"

TIME WITH CHILDREN

Cameron Womack

ANTHEM

"Jesus Paid It All"

Words by Elvina M. Hall, Music by John T. Grape, arr. by Brad Nix

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small;
child of weakness, watch and pray, find in Me thine all in all"
(Refrain) Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe;
sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find Thy power, and Thine alone,
can change the leper's spots and melt the heart of stone. **(Refrain)**

For nothing good have I whereby Thy grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary's Lamb. **(Refrain)**

And when before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat **(Refrain)** *

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

O Lord, we wait for you, and in your Word we trust. By the power of your Spirit, set our hearts and minds on the source of life and peace: Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 37; p. 759

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

John 11 selected verses; p. 98

The word of the Lord
Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"New Life"

Kathy Beach

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

No. 834

Tune: PRECIOUS LORD

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from A Declaration of Faith

God keeps his promises and gives us hope. In the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, God kept his promises. All that we can ever hope for was present in Christ. But the work of God in Christ is not over. God calls us to hope for more than we have yet seen. The hope God gives us is ultimate confidence that supports us when lesser hopes fail us. In Christ, God gives hope for a new heaven and earth, certainty of victory over death, assurance of mercy and judgement beyond death. This hope gives us courage for the present struggle. Hope gives us courage and energy to contend against all opposition, however invincible it may seem, for the new world and the new humanity that are surely coming. Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (using "debts")

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 and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

MINUTE FOR MISSION

Wine to Water

Madi Barker, Shane Hillman

OFFERINGS OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY

"Prayer"

Leslie Adams

Evan Adair, Baritone

+DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+SENDING HYMN

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

No. 286

Tune: TRENTHAM

+CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

+POSTLUDE

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Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison.

+Indicates those who are able may stand.

RUMPLE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church! Visitors, we hope that you will feel welcomed in your time with us today. We hope you will fill in the card in the pew so we can be in touch with you. If you have any questions, our pastor and elders will be glad to help you. This church was organized in 1887 and is a member of Salem Presbytery, Synod of Mid-Atlantic in the Presbyterian Church (USA).

Please be sure to sign and pass the Friendship Pad found in the pew rack. If you are a guest, this gives us the opportunity to be in touch with you.

Leading worship: Kathy Beach, Pastor; Cameron Womack, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Jonathan Asbell, Accompanist; Maggie Cheves, Acolyte; Maurice and Bonnie Ewing, Mike and Ann Rhyne, Ushers and Greeters

Child care is provided for children ages infant through 5 years old during worship in the Keys Church Nursery area downstairs staffed by Kelly Ginsberg and Claire Denness.

Volunteer NEXT Sunday: Sylvia Tarleton

Children's Church: After "Time with the Children", all children ages K-2nd grade are invited to follow our adult leaders to the Butterfly Classroom upstairs for their own worship time. Children will return to the sanctuary for the baptism. **Volunteer NEXT Sunday: Darby Teander**

Easter Lilies There are two options for your memorial/honor gift. You may choose to purchase an Easter Lilly and/or make a donation to the Music Fund. There are forms in the pew pads and on the display case in the church lobby. All forms are due to the church office by Wednesday, April 12, in order for names to be printed in the Easter bulletins.

Lenten Bible Study with our new pastor, Rev. Kathy Beach, continues Tuesday April 4 at 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in the Rumple House.

Blowing Rock C.A.R.E.S. is a local food bank, housed at Rumple and open Monday mornings til noon. Item needed for April is canned fruit in natural juice (no heavy syrup due to dietary needs). There is a shopping cart located in the church lobby where these items and any other donations may be placed.

Photo Directory Updates are here. If you already have a full directory, please pick up an update and new printed address directory. If you had your photo taken last summer during the update, then you will need a full directory, update and address list. All items are on the pew in the lobby. Please see Cameron Womack if you have questions.

Assistive Listening devices for worship are now available at Rumple! If you would like to use a "Sound Mate" while in worship, please see Cameron Womack or an usher for assistance.

The glass display case in the library needs a new home. Anyone who is interested in it, please contact Rita White at 828-414-9345.

Save the date: VBS 2017 is June 19-23, 9:00 to 12:00. You can find more information and register on our website www.rumplechurch.org.

Keep in your prayers: Curt Salthouse upon the death of his father, Ken Salthouse on March 23; Matt Jay, and his children Sadie, Calvin, and Eleanor upon the death of his wife, their mother, Sarah, on Saturday, March 11; Jim Gee, George Snyder, Bill Thorn, Brenda Lentz; Earl Trexler, Pat Coley, Nancy Trexler, Jim Burgess, and Cecil Brandon. Please contact Hazel, in the church office, if you have other prayer concerns we can add.

This Week at Rumple

Sunday 4/02/2017
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship
4 - 6 Youth Group (YC)

Tuesday 4/04/2017
11:30 – 1:00 Lenten Bible Study (RH)
Wednesday 4/05/2017
11:00 Staff Meeting (L)
2:30-4:30 KICKS and Fusion (YC) (KMC)
7:00 Sanctuary Choir (KMC)

Holy Week and Easter at Rumple	
<u>Sunday April 9 – Palm Sunday</u>	
11:00 Worship	
<u>Wednesday April 12</u>	
12:00 Noon Community Holy Week Service at First Baptist	
12:40 Covered dish lunch provided by people from each church	
2:30 KICKS and Fusion	
<u>Thursday April 13</u>	
7:00 Maundy Thursday Worship with Communion and choir-led worship	
<u>Sunday April 16</u>	
7:00 Sunrise Service, Rumple Church	
8:00 Community Breakfast by Carter Lentz Men's Class	
10:30 Butterfly Release in Rumple House garden	
11:00 Worship	