

The Order of Service for the Worship of God  
Rumple Memorial Presbyterian Church  
April 1, 2018  
Easter Sunday

**WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME**

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

OUR RESURRECTION TESTIMONY

Christ has risen! Alleluia!

**He has risen indeed. Alleluia!**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

“Voluntary on the Old Hundredth”

Henry Purcell

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us rejoice this Easter day! Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave.

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

Sin and death shall reign no more.

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

Let the people of God join our voices in praise.

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

+HYMN OF PRAISE

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

No. 232

Text: Lyra Davidica Charles Wesley Music: Lyra Davidica

Tune: EASTER HYMN

+PRAYER OF ADORATION

**O Living Lord, on the first Easter Day you stood in the midst of your disciples as the conqueror of sin and death and spoke to them your peace. Come to us, we pray, in your risen power and make us glad with your presence this Easter Day. May you breathe your Holy Spirit into our hearts that we may be strong to serve you and share abroad the good news that Christ is risen! May the joy of this Easter day guide us to live for the glory of your great name. Amen.**

+RESPONSE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

No. 585

Text: Anon Music: Peruvian melody

Tune: MACHU-PICHU

**WE HEAR THE GOOD NEWS OF RESURRECTION**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

*The children are invited to bring their own offerings forward with them and place them in the offering basket.*

ANTHEM

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

Isaac Watts, Lowell Mason, arr. Gilbert Martin

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it Lord that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God,  
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down!  
Were e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
Love, so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all. \*

**WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:1-7; p. 165

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 16:1-8; p. 51

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Following the Resurrected Jesus”

Kathy Beach

**WE RESPOND TO THE GOOD NEWS**

+HYMN OF RESPONSE

“We Know That Christ Is Raised” stanzas 1 and 2

No. 485

Ext: John Brownlow Geyer Music: Charles Villiers Stanford

Tune: ENGELBERG

+REAFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Invitation

Profession of Faith

Do you believe in God the Father almighty?

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ God's only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated on the right hand of the Father and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessing

Baptism Hymn “We Know That Christ Is Raised” stanzas 3 and 4 No. 485

EASTER LITANY

**O God, open our eyes and awaken our lives to the Living Christ**

OFFERING OF OUR LIFE AND LABORS

OFFERTORY “Rush of Wind, Tongues of Fire” Richard Blake

+DOXOLOGY “Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna!” No. 248

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**O God of New Life, we know that what others reject as useless, you accept and use for your glory. We give ourselves and our offerings, this Easter day, in the confidence that you will use both to bring life and hope to the world. We give and we pray in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ, who is not dead, but alive. Thanks be to God. Amen.**

**WE DEPART TO SHARE THE GOOD NEWS OF RESURRECTION HOPE**

+SENDING HYMN “Thine Is the Glory” No. 238  
Text: Edmond Louis Budry Music: George Frederick Tune: JUDAS MACCABEUS

+CHARGE AND BLESSING

Go forth from this Easter worship in joy. Love and serve God in all that you do.

**We are sent in the name of the Risen Christ.**

Let us bless the Lord our God.

**Christ is Risen. Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

+POSTLUDE “Finale” Paul Fauchey

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Bold font indicates all say or sing in unison.

+Indicates those who are able may stand.

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## WORSHIP NOTES

**Leading worship:** Kathy Beach, Pastor; Cullie Tarleton, Liturgist; Dave McCollum, Director of Music, Sanctuary Choir; Eric Luke, Accompanist; Mack and Karen Gaddy, Jerry and Mary Hutchens, Bill and Linda Mauldin, Ushers and Greeters

**We thank Rumble member and artist, Wes Waugh,** for the art on the cover of our Easter 2018 bulletin. Wes says about this painting, “As an artist, and specifically a landscape artist, my creative senses often feel very reflective of not only the colors, but the moods of a season. The heart of winter, the beginning of the Lenten season, feels very somber and reflective. The rebirth of landscape color is right on our doorstep as Easter approaches, and practically impossible for an artist, especially a colorist, not to respond to. I often reflect on this passage from the far East, attributed to the Bauls, ‘Don't try to force anything. Let life be a deep let-go. See God opening millions of flowers every day without forcing the buds, waiting, never in a hurry, giving their time to them. Everything happens at its right time, everything happens in its own season. Wait, don't be impatient, don't be in a hurry. All hurry is greed, and all hurry is a subtle fight. That which is going to happen will happen. Whenever it is going to happen it will happen; you need not fight existence. You can surrender, you can trust.’ After a dark and gloomy episode, we now move to celebrate the Arisen Christ, the rebirth of spring and color.”

### **Happy Easter and welcome to Rumble Memorial Presbyterian Church!**

If you are a guest or a visitor, this church family welcomes you. We invite you to fill out a visitor card or leave your contact information on the fellowship pad. The Rumble family would love to get to know you and share information about the ministries and missions of Rumble. If you have questions, please speak to one of the ushers or with our pastor, Kathy. Join us for worship each Sunday at 11:00 (8:45 and 11:00 Memorial Day through Labor Day).

**Special Offering today,** in addition to our regular offering, we will receive the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering. All funds received go to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self Development of People. Look for special envelopes in the pews.

**Large Print Hymnals and Assistive Listening devices** for worship are available in the narthex. If you would like to use a “Sound Mate” while in worship, please see Kent Leonard (at the soundboard) or an usher for assistance.

**The flowers today** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ed and Tacky Vosburgh by Billy and Vicki Worsham.

**A Nursery is provided** each Sunday morning for infants through five years old in the Keys Church Nursery area on the downstairs level of the education building. Please ask an usher to direct you to the nursery. The nursery is staffed by wonderful church volunteers and paid staff.

**Children's Church:** Kindergarten through second grade are invited to remain in the sanctuary today for worship. Special worship sheets and a basket of Easter books are available in the back entrance of the sanctuary (narthex.) All elementary age children can enjoy these sheets. There are books for a variety of reading levels. Rumble offers Children's Church most Sundays for children K-2nd grade, during 11:00 worship.

## CALLED TO WORSHIP AND EMPOWERED TO SERVE

**The Rumble Church Tour is back!** Sunday, April 22, at 9:30 join Jane Rogers and Adele Dunbar for a tour and tales of Rumble. The group will gather in the office reception area and tour all of Rumble's facilities while learning stories of the history of the congregation and information about current ministries and mission. The tour will begin with coffee and goodies provided by the Welcome Team. The tour is open to all visitors and curious members.

**Would you like to become a member** or an affiliate member of Rumble? Rumble receives members and affiliates (members who retain membership in their church away from Blowing Rock but “affiliate” themselves with Rumble as well) throughout the year. If you would like to become a member or an affiliate member, you may indicate on the fellowship pad or one of the visitor cards. The next Welcome Class will be later this spring, on Sunday morning May 6 at 9:30. Folks who wish to join after the class will meet with the Session and be received as members that day.

**Second Sunday Lunch** returns April 8, immediately after worship. Chicken casserole, salad and dessert will be provided – just come and enjoy!

**Families and elementary-age children,** please join Kalie Gorham for the next GIFT class on Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 in the Fellowship Hall

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday food collections for Blowing Rock CARES** are year round! The first Sunday of each month is BR CARES food collection Sunday. Items needed for April 1 Easter Sunday are canned meats (chicken, tuna, etc.) canned beans, canned fruit in natural juices, and toilet tissue. We will have shopping carts in the church lobby for collections, and continue to have them there in case you miss the first Sunday.

**Please keep in your prayers Rumble members** Randy Stevens, surgery 3/26 and 4/2; Bill Thorn, recovering from surgery ; Brenda Lentz, chemotherapy treatments; Linda Steen, Roger Broeker, Erin Tobin, Darby Teander, Bill and Pat Magruder, Recie Craig, Natasha Schoonover

**Family and friends of Rumble** Linda Hawkins, (interim rector at St. Mary's) surgery 4/2; Helen, sister of Bill Magruder; Jon Wright, son of Norm and Melinda Wright; Betty Pitts, Mark Johnson's parents, Buck and Betty; Joyce Rodriguez, sister of Carolyn Nelson; Stanley Coffey, son of Betty Coffey, Phyllis Foster, friend of Wes Thompson, Ellen and Al Smith, missionaries in Russia