

EASTER
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Unless I See

LIVING THE RESURRECTION



South Hill United Methodist Church

April 11, 2021

11:00 am

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 11, 2021

ENTRANCE

GATHERING, WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE *Love Devine all Love Excelling* arr. Miller

ENTRANCE OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*CALL TO WORSHIP (Book of Prayers, USA, 20th Cent.)

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.

And kindle in them the fire of your love.

Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.

And you will renew the face of the earth.

*HYMN *Open My Eyes, That I May See* UMH 454

*OPENING PRAYER (Alan Paton, South Africa, 20th cent.)

O Lord,

open my eyes that I may see the needs of others;

open my ears that I may hear their cries;

open my heart so that they need not be without succor;

let me not be afraid to defend the weak because of the anger

of the strong, nor afraid to defend the poor

because of the anger of the rich.

Show me where love and hope and faith are needed,

and use me to bring them to those places.

And so open my eyes and my ears

that I may this coming day be able to do some work

of peace for thee. Amen

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace of Jesus Christ be with you,

And also with you.

PROCLAMATION

EPISTLE READING *1 John 1:1 – 2: 2* pg. 862

*GOSPEL READING *John 20: 19 - 31* pg. 769

CHILDREN'S TIME

MESSAGE *Unless I See* Rev. Susie Brack

RESPONSE

PRAYER (Olive Wyon, England, 20th cent.)

**Spirit of promise, Spirit of unity,
we thank you that you are also the Spirit of renewal.
Renew in the whole Church
that passionate desire for the coming of your kingdom
which will unite all Christians into one mission to the world.
May we all grow up together into him who is our head,
the Savior of the world. Amen.**

CONCERNS, CELEBRATIONS, AND TESTIMONIES

PASTORAL PRAYER

*THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* UMH 206

*BENEDICTION

*FOLLOWING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

*POSTLUDE *Chorale* Dupre

*Those who are able, please stand

John 20: 19 - 31

It was still the first day of the week. That evening, while the disciples were behind closed doors because they were afraid of the Jewish authorities, Jesus came and stood among them. He said, "Peace be with you." 20 After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. When the disciples saw the Lord, they were filled with joy. 21 Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so I am sending you." 22 Then he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23 If you forgive anyone's sins, they are forgiven; if you don't forgive them, they aren't forgiven."

Jesus appears to Thomas and the disciples

24 Thomas, the one called Didymus, one of the Twelve, wasn't with the disciples when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples told him, "We've seen the Lord!"

But he replied, "Unless I see the nail marks in his hands, put my finger in the wounds left by the nails, and put my hand into his side, I won't believe."

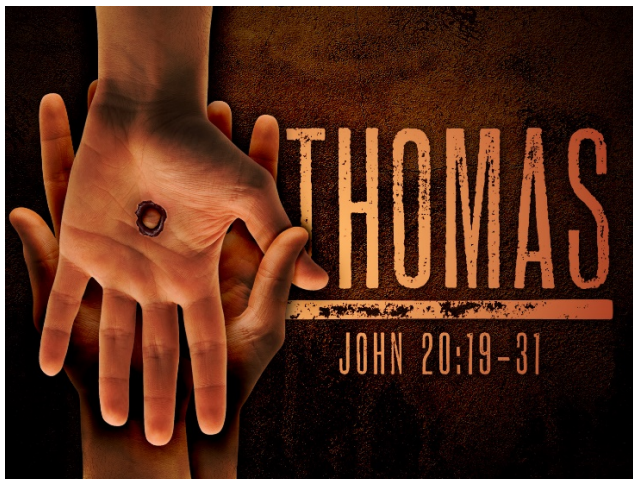
26 After eight days his disciples were again in a house and Thomas was with them. Even though the doors were locked, Jesus entered and stood among them. He said, "Peace be with you." 27 Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here. Look at my hands. Put your hand into my side. No more disbelief. Believe!"

28 Thomas responded to Jesus, "My Lord and my God!"

29 Jesus replied, "Do you believe because you see me? Happy are those who don't see and yet believe."

30 Then Jesus did many other miraculous signs in his disciples' presence, signs that aren't recorded in this scroll. 31 But these things are written so that you will believe that Jesus is the Christ, God's Son, and that believing, you will have life in his name.

Notes:



This Week at South Hill UMC

Today:	11:00 am	In-person & Online Worship in Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	Youth Meeting
Tuesday:	6:30 pm	Prayer Shawl
	7:30 pm	Synago
Wednesday:	8:00 pm	AA Group
Friday:	7:00 pm	AA Group
Saturday:	8 – 3	Upper Room Sale

The 8:45 am worship service is temporarily suspended.

Next Week's Sermon:

Luke 24: 36b – 48)

Touch and See

Coming Events:

April 21 st	Audit Committee 9 am
April 27 th	Prayer Shawl 6:30 pm
May 2 nd	Youth Sunday
May 9 th	Mother's Day
May 11 th	Finance Meeting 5:30 pm
May 17 th	Church Council Meeting 12:30 pm
May 23 rd	Pentecost
May 30 th	Trinity Sunday
May 31 st	Memorial Day – Office Closed

Virginia Annual Conference - The June Session of Virginia Annual Conference will be held virtually June 18 – 19, 2021.

Notes of Interest



April Special Offering - Native American Ministries - Nurtures missions with Native Americans and provides scholarships for United Methodist Native American seminarians.

Youth Sunday - May 2, 2021 - Everyone is invited to our annual youth-led worship service on Sunday, May 2nd at 11:00 am in the sanctuary. We are excited about this opportunity to worship with our young people. Our graduates will be recognized during the service, as well.



VIRTUAL LAY SERVANT CLASS BEING OFFERED - The Rappahannock River District is pleased to offer a virtual training session this May! We will offer the following classes on ZOOM: Basic, UM Polity, Leading Worship. The classes will be held on May 1, 8, and 15 from 8:30 am to noon. You must attend all 3 sessions to receive credit for the class. The classes are open to all districts.

<https://www.rappahannockriverdistrict.org/resources/summary/6-flyers/632-virtual-lay-servant-training-may-2021> HOW TO GET YOUR BOOK/S: You are responsible for purchasing the workbook: Bookstore.UpperRoom.org, cokesbury.com, or Amazon.com. Amazon may offer gently used books. Please make \$15 checks payable to Rappahannock River District UMC and mail check along with the flyer by Monday, April 26, 2021, to Rappahannock River District Office, PO BOX 100, Ladysmith, VA 22501. NO CASH, PLEASE. If you have any questions, please contact our Director of Lay Servant Ministries, Pastor Kevin Elmore, at kevinelmore@vaumc.org.

Prayer List – To help keep our prayer list up to date, please contact the church office if you would like to add or remove names from our list.

If you are visiting us, kindly take a moment to complete the Visitor Card and place it in the offering plate.

Church Office Hours This Week

Monday – Thursday: 9:30 – 3:30

Office phone: 434-447-4761

A cordial welcome to each of you! May God's loving presence be very real to you, and may you receive strength and guidance today that will enable you to handle life's challenges. We're glad you're here!

This Week's Worship Team

Liturgist: Victoria Kinker
Teller: Donna Glasgow
Music Director/Organist: Jimmie Crowder, Jr.
Worship Technicians: Sophie Crowder & Jake Calhoun
Bishop: Sharma D. Lewis
District Superintendent: Denise P. Bates

Known Prayer Concerns: Members

Bristol Glen: Ethel Klingenberg **Chase City:** John Turchetta **Chestnut Grove:** Georgia Shoop
Harmony: Dan Wilson **Hundley Center:** Jo Carol Cole **Pineview:** Ann Nichols
Petersburg Home for Ladies: Marjorie Grammer **Missionaries:** Guthrie Family and Annie Judd

Home:

Shirley Carrillo	Ann Gauchat	Jerry & Sarah Reynolds
Brenda Child	Ann Hardin	Roger Tanner
Anne Cole	Lynn Haskins	Herbert & Deborah Tuck
Paul, Nancy & Peggy Conner	Barbara Hudson	Carolyn Wagoner
Mary Coulter	Billy Judd	Deborah Walker
Maxine Crowder	Evelyn Lambert	Shirley Wetherbee
Donald & Diane Curtis	George Pearson	Dylan Willis
Herbert Farrar		

Family & Friends:

Baby Mackenzie	Queen Williams	Philip Kallam
Sandra / DS Bates & Family	Hope Zincone	Heather Kemp
Christopher Brack	Students/Teachers/Parents	Judi C. Newman
Carmela Clary	Our Leaders & Our Nation	Marsha R. Smith
Rachel Clary	Transformation at SHUMC	Robert Smith
Tony Kim	COVID – 19 Pandemic	Joe Young
Linda Montgomery		

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