# ANNOUNCEMENTS www.allgather.org/calendar

Women's Retreat. Women's Walk with Christ, an affiliate of Marked Men for Christ, will be having its first NC weekend next September 11-13. They limit it to 45 people so it fills up quickly. For more info and to register, visit www.womenswalkwithchrist.org. Be part of the first pilot group to go!

#### INFORMATION & CONNECTING

To find out more about the Gathering Church, or to connect, please fill out a card on the back table and place it in the black box.

#### GIVING www.allgather.org/giving

Giving is a vital part of our worship of God. If you would like to give this morning, you may do so by putting your offering in the black box on the back table. Thank you for your participation in the life and mission of this church.

#### Other ways to give:

- (1) By automating a draft through your bank.
- (2) By mailing a check to PO Box 16402/Chapel Hill, NC 27516.
- (3) Online through Paypal.

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# April 5, 2015 Matthew 28:1-8 | 2 Corinthians 5:14-15



The Resurrection, by Fra Angelico

# Easter Sunday

"The point of the resurrection is that the present bodily life is not valueless just because it will die. What you do with your body in the present matters because God has a great future in store for it. What you do in the present—by painting, preaching, singing, sewing, praying, teaching, building hospitals, digging wells, campaigning for justice, writing poems, caring for the needy, loving your neighbor as yourself—will last into God's future. These activities are not simply ways of making the present life a little less beastly, a little more bearable, until the day when we leave it behind altogether. They are part of what we may call building for God's kingdom."

-N.T. Wright

## WELCOME TO THIS WORSHIP SERVICE OF THE GATHERING CHURCH

Whether you come today as a skeptic, seeker, or believer, our hope is that you will sense the welcome of God, the love of others, and the opportunity to join Jesus Christ in sharing the grace of God with all people.

## CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

WESLEY

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia! Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia! Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia! Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia! Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia! Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia! Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia! Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia! Following our exalted Head, Alleluia! Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia! Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

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# **W**ELCOME

In Christ Alone Getty/Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light, my strength, my song
This cornerstone, this solid ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my all in all
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground his body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious day
Up from the grave he rose again
And as he stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am his and he is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from his hand
'Til he returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

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DOXOLOGY THOMAS/MAINZER

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

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#### COMMUNION

Each Sunday, we remember that we only find life in Jesus, through the love he demonstrated by his death on the cross. So, bringing nothing, we come and receive his grace in the Bread and the Cup that he offers to those who follow him.

#### **PRAYER**

If you would like to have someone pray for you or for any other need, you will find Prayer Team members at the back of the gym who will gladly pray with you.

Entrance

There you were hanging
Transforming the pain into
Entrance into your heart
Before we could come in,
You had to destroy within
The dark that kept us apart
Before we had heard of you,
But had no concern for you
Darkness was all around
The wall was so high, no way to get by
But then you tore it all down

We crossed the threshold
And death lost his control
As the sun rose in our hearts
We felt the warm embrace
Of your sovereign grace
Now, every day we can start
To live and love with you
Follow and worship you
With songs that flow from our soul
Filled with the light of you
As we are led by you
Longing with joy to be home

Jesus come, take our hand Lead us into the promised land

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#### **MATTHEW 28:1-8**

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. <sup>6</sup>He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

OUR GOD'S ALIVE	Muckala/Cherry/Ingram
Come on everyone	Reigning on his throne
See what he has done	Drawing ever close
He has lifted us,	Giving us this hope
He has overcome,	He'll never let us go
The power of the grave	Oh, death has been defeated
And the sin that once enslaved	Jesus Christ, Redeemer
Couldn't hold him in the ground	Conquered hell and freed us
Couldn't keep him down	Forever we are saved

Rise with a shout
Cry out our God's alive
Rise holy fire, burn bright, burn bright
Rise with a shout,
Cry out for freedom
Cry out for freedom
Rise church, arise
Our God's alive

He alone can save us
He will not forsake us
He remains forever,
Our Savior
See him reign in power
Stronger than our failures
Always and forever,
Our Savior

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THE SOLID ROCK

BRADBURY/MOTE

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' name

His oath, his covenant, his blood Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay

When darkness seems to hide his face I rest on his unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil When he shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in him be found
Dressed in his righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne

On Christ the solid rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

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Broken Vessels Houston/Myrin

All these pieces broken and scattered In mercy gathered mended and whole Empty handed but not forsaken I've been set free, I've been set free Oh I can see you now
Oh I can see the love in your eyes
Laying yourself down
Raising up the broken to life

Amazing grace how sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me I once was lost but now I am found Was blind but now I see You take our failure, you take our weakness You set your treasure in jars of clay So take this heart Lord, I'll be your vessel The world to see your life in me

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## DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN/YOUTH AND GREETING ONE ANOTHER

Children and Youth are dismissed to participate in their various classes. As they leave, meet and welcome those around you, especially those you might not know. Feel free to fill in the front and center areas.

#### 2 CORINTHIANS 5:14-15

For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again.

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