

A Celebration of the Resurrection

Rev. Sherri Barnes, Pastor

April 4, 2010

Prelude Elizabeth Walters, Helen Phifer

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Christ Candle Katie Melvin, Acolyte

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship *Introit for Easter Day* arr. Bryan Jeffrey Leech

*Hymn of Praise *Christ the Lord is Risen Today v 1-4* UMH 302

*Opening Prayer

Mighty God, your steadfast love endures forever. Through your Son you overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we who celebrate our Lord's resurrection, by the renewing of your Spirit, may arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Children's Message Jimmy Tucker

Anthem *Joy in the Morning* Natalie Sleeth

Prayers of the People (Joys and Concerns)

The Lord's Prayer

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering

Offertory Elizabeth Walters, Helen Phifer

*Doxology UMH 95

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. Amen

Hymn of Preparation *Christ is Risen* UMH 307

Scripture Lesson Acts 10:34-43 pew Bible p 129

Message "Testify" Pastor Sherri Barnes

*Hymn of Invitation *He Lives* UMH 310

*Parting Blessing

*Choral Response to the Blessing *Benediction for Easter Day* arr. Bryan Jeffrey Leech

Postlude Elizabeth Walters, Helen Phifer

****Please stand as you are able***

Serving our church today: Elizabeth Walters, organist; Helen Phifer, pianist; Lauren Hill, choir director; Katie Melvin, acolyte; Wanda and Claude Sherrod, nursery; Wayne Hamilton, Megan Huggins, Tim Huggins, Bill Walters, ushers; Sonia Chaney, Kevin Meares, Steve Melvin, financial stewards.

Serving our church next Sunday: Elizabeth Walters, organist; Helen Phifer, pianist; Lauren Hill, choir director; Lainey Blalock, acolyte; Leah and Todd Rummage, nursery; April, ushers; Sonia Chaney, Kevin Meares, Steve Melvin, financial stewards.

Throughout the season of Lent we have followed Jesus' journey to the cross. Over the last six weeks, the cross in our sanctuary that was raised on Ash Wednesday has gone through a series of changes, and we offer a special thank you to Linda McIver for helping us to see the journey progress. The cross has borne the rocks of the wilderness, the crown of thorns and the nails which held Him there. The sign INRI which Pilate placed on the cross attempted to tell the crowd who hung there, Jesus the Nazarene, King of the Jews. From the purple of Lent to the glorious white of Easter we are grateful for this ever-changing reminder of the story we claim. Today robed in the flowers of spring, the cross expresses that Jesus Christ is King of Kings and Lord of Lords. And we can shout with all of God's creation, "Christ is Risen! He is risen indeed!"

*Marshville United Methodist Church
Church Calendar*

Sunday, April 4

7:00 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service
 8:00 a.m. Breakfast
 9:00 a.m. Choir Warmup in Sanctuary
 9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Easter Worship Service

Monday, April 5

7:00 p.m. Scouts

Tuesday, April 6

NO BIBLE STUDY

Sunday, April 11

9:30 a.m. Sunday School
 10:30 a.m. Scout Sunday Worship Service
 11:45 a.m. Lunch served by the Scouts in the Fellowship Hall
 5:00 p.m. UMY Fun/Game Night, Ross, Lisa and Alan

By our Presence Sunday School 79 Worship Service 124

By Our Gifts:

Weekly Needs: \$2,854.62 **YTD Needs:** \$37,109.16

Received 03-28-10 \$1,805.00 **YTD Received:** \$31,899.21

Gifts were given to the Building Fund in memory of Bill Phifer by Arlie and Elsie Baucom; in memory of Joe Ross and Mary Jane Williams by Bill and Elizabeth Walters. Gifts were given to the Nicaragua Mission Team in memory of Bill Phifer by Tammy and Steve Melvin and family; in honor of Calvin Helms and Gary Pennigar and in memory of Bill Phifer by Hoover and Sarah Ross. A gift was given to the Hope House in honor of Nell Presson, Gary Pennigar and Calvin Helms and in memory of Bill Phifer by Ned and Doris Beachum. A gift was given to the Property Note in memory of Joe Ross and Bill Phifer by Frederick and Frances Griffin.

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