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WELCOME/ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

PRELUDE

†CHIMING OF THE HOUR & INTROIT

†CALL TO WORSHIP

Let the morning bring me word of your unfailing love;

For I have put my trust in you, O Lord.

Show me the way I should go;

For to you I entrust my life.

Teach me to do your will, for you are my God;

May your good Spirit lead us into new life.

†HYMN

“Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain”

No. 315

Come, you faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought forth Israel into joy from sadness;
loosed from Pharaoh's bitter yoke Jacob's sons and daughters,
led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

‘Tis the spring of souls today; Christ hath burst his prison,
and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen;
all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying
from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,
with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;
comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,
nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal;
but today amidst the twelve thou didst stand,
bestowing that the peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

"Alleluia!" now we cry to our King immortal,
who, triumphant, burst the bars of the tomb's dark portal.
“Alleluia!” with the Son, God the Father praising,
“Alleluia” yet again to the Spirit raising.

†OPENING PRAYER

Unison

Gracious and Almighty God: in whom we find our freedom from sin and death; in whom we receive new life; and in whom we are called to live in the Holy Spirit. Grant, O God, that we may set our minds on things above, that we may pray thy will be done, and that we may live to your glory and honor. Receive this day, and every day, our worship and praise. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: The Apostles' Creed

Unison

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
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.

†GLORIA PATRI

Unison

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.

CELEBRATIONS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Unison

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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever, Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3:1-10

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

WORSHIP WITH TITHES, GIFTS, AND OFFERINGS

†DOXOLOGY

No. 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

"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"

No. 420

Breathe on me, Breath of God, fill me with life anew,
 that I may love what thou dost love, and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, until my heart is pure,
 until with thee I will one will, to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, till I am wholly thine,
 till all this earthly part of me glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe on me, Breath of God, so shall I never die,
 but live with thee the perfect life of thine eternity.

SCRIPTURE

Romans 8:5-17

SERMON

"Resurrected Life...a life by the Spirit"

Pastor Powell

HYMN

"Take Time to Be Holy"

No. 395

Take time to be holy, speak oft with thy Lord;
 abide in him always, and feed on his word.
 Make friends of God's children, help those who are weak,
 forgetting in nothing his blessing to seek.

Take time to be holy, the world rushes on;
 spend much time in secret, with Jesus alone.
 By looking to Jesus, like him thou shalt be;
 thy friends in thy conduct his likeness shall see.

Take time to be holy, let him be thy guide,
 and run not before him, whatever betide.
 In joy or in sorrow, still follow the Lord,
 and, looking to Jesus, still trust in his word.

Take time to be holy, be calm in thy soul,
 each thought and each motive beneath his control.
 Thus led by his spirit to fountains of love,
 thou soon shalt be fitted for service above.

†BENEDICTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

Share His love by telling what the Lord has done for you
Share His love by sharing of your faith
And show the world that Jesus Christ is real to you
Every moment, every day!

TRINITY CHIMES

(Please remain in place at the end of the service until the conclusion of the Trinity Chimes)

CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

POSTLUDE

THE FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are dedicated to the glory of God and given in memory of Lura & Ted Garner by their family.

STEEPLE LIGHTING

The Steeple is lit the month of April to the glory of God and in memory of Carol Andrews Southerland, by her sons, John Isaac and Andy, and her husband, Ike.



Resurrected Life!

During the season of Easter, we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus: Jesus came, Jesus died, and Jesus rose again - all for us - that we might have abundant and eternal life now and forever! Join us as we explore Romans 8 and see the power of the resurrection in our lives today.

Baby Shower for Pastor Sarah Sunday, April 14th

Please join us for a Baby Shower honoring Pastor Sarah today, in the Atrium. Drop in between 2:00 and 4:00pm.

Brunch in the Loft April 21st from 9:45-11:45am

Gather in the Loft for brunch and enjoy fellowship with one another. We are expanding the hours to include Traditional and Rise worshippers. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend or neighbor.

**Connections Class
Sunday, May 5th**

Connecting to a community of faith can help us become more like Jesus and live a more abundant life. Connections is a one time class on Sunday, May 5th from 3:00-4:30 that will help you learn all about First Methodist as well as discover ways to connect through small groups, volunteer opportunities, and worship. You will get to explore the mission and belief of First Methodist as well as the structure of our administrative council. Come and meet our leadership team, explore our communication tools, and take a tour of our campus.

High School Senior Sunday

We want to recognize our High School Seniors on Sunday, May 5th and celebrate their accomplishments! Graduates are invited to process at the 9:45 and 11:00am services. Light snacks will be available for our graduates in the library between services.

**Service of One
Sunday, May 19th @ 10:30am**

One Lord. One Faith. One Church. Join us for a Service of One at West Carteret High School combining our 8:30, 9:45, and 11:00am worship services. Free box lunches will be served in the cafeteria following the service. Register online or at the church office for a simple headcount for lunches.

**Red Cross Blood Drive
Monday, April 22nd from 9-3**

Join us for the Red Cross Blood Drive in the Fellowship Hall on Monday, April 22nd from 9:00am - 3:00pm. If you are not able to donate, you can support the blood drive by baking snacks for our canteen table. Drop this off on Sunday afternoon or Monday morning. Contact Pat Bell if you have any questions.

