

BIBLE STUDY

LUNCH TIME BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, April 11, at Noon in the Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$10.00 **Menu:** Turkey and Dressing, Sweet Potato Soufflé, Green Beans, Apple Dumplings

Please make a reservation by 3:00 PM on Thursday, April 4.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

THIRD THURSDAY Senior Adult Ministry

April 18, at Noon in the Fellowship Hall
Sonny Reed's Gardening Tips

Cost: \$10.00 **Menu:** Hamburger Steak with Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cole Slaw, Apple Cake

Please make a reservation by 3:00 PM on Thursday, April 11.

DEACONS' MINISTRY

DEACONS SOCIAL AT THE DARBY FARM

Our next deacon's meeting will be a social at Darby Farm in Due West on Sunday, April 21. Deacons, collections team members, youth, music ministry members, pastors, and anyone who would enjoy this fellowship are encouraged to join us. Hamburgers and smoked chicken will be provided. Dress comfortably and bring your chair, a dish to share, and come enjoy fellowship together. Arrive anytime after 3pm with dinner served around 6pm. Please visit <https://bit.ly/FBCDeaconsSocial4-21-24> or scan the QR code to sign up or call the Church Office. Please sign up by Tuesday, April 16. Directions will be emailed. Contact Lyn Darby for questions.



PLEASE NOTE

HYMNALS

A variety of hymnals from the Baraca Sunday School Class Ministry are available in the vestibule at no cost. Please feel free to take as many as you like. If you know of a church or organization that is in need of hymnals please let them know these are available.

CHURCH

CONFERENCE & LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, APRIL 28 - 11:30 AM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

MENU

Bacon Wrapped Chicken (Kids-Chicken Nuggets), Broccoli Casserole, Rice Pilaf, Chocolate Drizzle Cake

Please call the church office or visit andersonfbc.org/community to make reservations by 3:00 PM, Wednesday April 24.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

MEALS ON WHEELS

Meals on Wheels in Anderson is hosting a Spring Into Volunteering Drop-In for anyone who is interested in learning how to be involved with their work. Join them on Tuesday, April 9th from 9:30 to 11:00am at 105 S. Fant Street. Light refreshments will be served. RSVP by Friday, April 5th to hdaniel@acmow.org to attend. Please contact Linda Chadbourne at lindadc800@gmail.com if you are interested in serving as a driver for Meals on Wheels regularly or for more information. If there are enough people, we could have a regular FBC route. If not, MOW is always in need of substitute drivers.

OPPORTUNITIES AT FIRST BAPTIST

Monday, April 1 - Friday, April 5
(Spring Break for School District 5)

Monday, April 1
Church Office Closed

Wednesday, April 3
No Evening Activities

Friday, April 5
Church Office Closed

Sunday, April 7
9:30 AM Worship
10:30 AM Sunday School
5:00 PM Youth Group and Dinner

MEMBERS IN ACTION

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Offertory Prayer: Jerry Minyard
Visitor Outreach: Lyn Darby
Children's Worship: Jeri Liles
Nursery: TBD
Security: Kevin McCoy and Donnie Campbell



FIRST BAPTIST

ANDERSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

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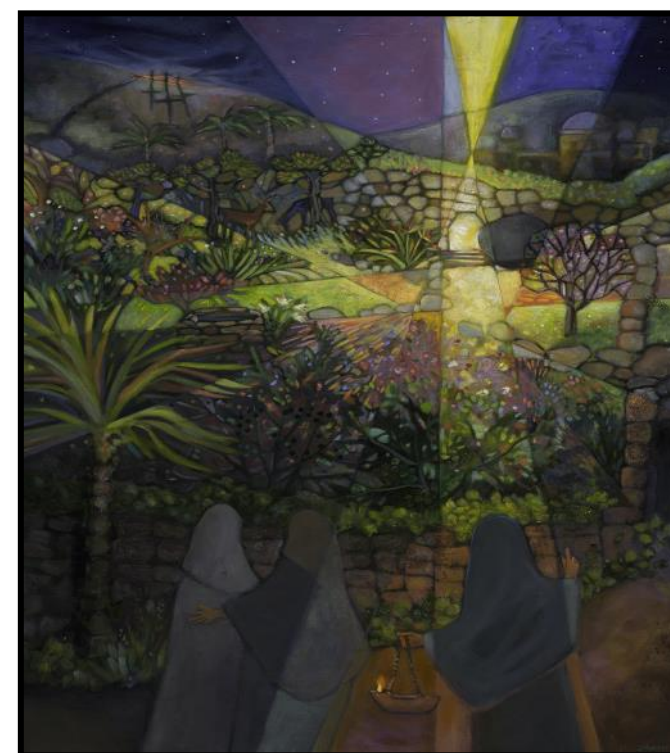
We covenant as Christ followers, through humility and love, to share in God's ongoing work of redemption and to serve our world by creating a safe space for healing and wholeness, growth and transformation, awe and wonder.

Welcome

March 31, 2024

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

The fullness of the resurrection requires more than a day to unpack. The Easter season is a fifty-day celebration that ends on Pentecost Sunday, which falls on May 19, this year. The season of Easter is a time to let the implications of the resurrection sink in deeper, inviting us to realign our worldview and conform our living to the reality that we have been raised with Christ to new life. Easter is full of joy and the laughter of love—the grave is empty, love has won, and Christ is risen! Give yourself over to the experience of that joy—take in the absolute wonder of God's purposeful plan of salvation. (from *Seeking God's Face* by Philip Reinders)



EASTER MORNING
by Jen Norton

Serving Today

Offertory Prayer: Jeff Neal
Visitor Outreach: Kelly Neal
Trinity Chimes: Harper Gilmer
Children's Worship:
Children will remain in the service.
Nursery: TBD
Security:
Charlie Ballentine and Chad Waters

Rev. Naomi Black-Bass, Associate Pastor
Mr. Mike Darby, Housing Ministry Manager
Mrs. Shannon Griffin, CDC Director
Mrs. Ramona Hallman, Organist
Mrs. Lesley Hudgins, Financial Manager
Dr. Josh Hunt, Pastor
Rev. Chris Liles, Associate Pastor
Mrs. Sharon Royals, Communications Manager
Miss Natalie Rutledge, Musician in Residence
Mr. Jamie Smith, Asst. Music Director
Mrs. Kelly Smith, Pianist
Mr. Addrian Wilson, Minister of Music
Mr. Greg Wilson, Facilities Manager

The Worship of God

“Our Lord has written the promise of resurrection, not in books alone,
but in every leaf in springtime.” -Martin Luther

Prelude *At the Name of Jesus* arr. Michael Bedford
Ramona Hallman, Organist

Call To Worship *Were You There?* WERE YOU THERE
Addrian Wilson, Soloist

Were you there when he rose up from the grave?
Were you there when he rose up from the grave?
Oh! Sometimes I Feel Like Shouting Glory, Glory, Glory!
Were you there when he rose up from the grave?

*Hymn No. 159 *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* EASTER HYMN

Welcome and Prayer Of Resurrection Chris Liles

*Hymn No. 161 *Crown Him with Many Crowns* DIADEMATA

Offertory Prayer Jeff Neal

Offertory Music *Beautiful Savior* arr. Michael Burkhardt

Praising God For His Gifts To Us Gloria Patri

Gloria Patri

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.

Scripture **John 20:1-18**
(Pew Bible Page 1074)

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

Trinity Chimes

Rung by one of our children as we pray, the Trinity Chimes are a reminder that God is revealed as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; that we gather in God's house; that we are God's people; and that we seek God's will for our worship.

Cheerful Giving Is a Part of Worship

While we will collect offering by passing our offering plates, we also have the ability to receive gifts electronically. Electronic giving is available at andersonfbc.org/give, through our church app, or by texting [fbcanderson](https://text.fbcanderson.com) and a dollar amount to 73256.

*Please stand if able.

Anthem *My Eternal King* Jane M. Marshall
Sanctuary Choir

My God, I love Thee; not because I hope for heaven thereby,
Nor yet because who love Thee not Must die eternally.

Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me Upon the cross embrace;
Thou, O my Jesus, Thou didst me Upon the cross embrace;
nails and spear, And manifold disgrace.

Why, then why, O blessed Jesus Christ, Should I not love Thee well?
Not for the hope of winning heaven, Or of escaping hell;
Not with the hope of gaining aught, Not seeking a reward;
But as Thyself hast loved me, O ever loving Lord!

Even so I love Thee, and will love, And in Thy praise will sing;
Solely because Thou art my God, And my Eternal King.

(Children will remain in the service today.)

Sermon Josh Hunt

*Hymn No. 163 *Thine Is the Glory* MACCABEUS

Easter Litany Naomi Black-Bass

And now we raise a shout:

HALLELUJAH!

That Jesus Christ, put to death on a cross

Is now alive and ruler of the world!

Again we raise our voices:

HALLELUJAH!

For death has lost its sting.

The grave has been overtaken by life.

The new Kingdom has begun.

The way of love is victorious.

And this gospel fills our hearts, and all the earth:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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Choral Benediction *Hallelujah!* G. F. Handel
Sanctuary Choir

Postlude *Great Redeemer, We Adore Thee* arr. A. L. Page
Ramona Hallman, Organist

The Invitation

We invite you to commit your life to Jesus Christ as His disciple and to join our congregation as a member. We receive members in one of three ways: upon profession of faith in Christ followed by believer's baptism; by transfer of membership from another Christian church; or by statement of previous Christian experience. This process begins when you respond to the invitation at the conclusion of worship by coming forward to request membership. It continues with a conversation with one of our ministers, a new member orientation (offered periodically), and a vote by the congregation at a quarterly business meeting. We'd love the opportunity to talk with you about becoming a Christian or joining our church as a member.