

May 1, 2022

Pennies for Hunger: May 1

May mission offering: Todd Luke's cistern ministry in Mexico

WELCOME TO WORSHIP! Services are live-streamed each Sunday. Find out how at www.alamancechurch.org.

SPECIAL MISSION OFFERING for May is to The Outreach Foundation, for Todd Luke's cistern ministry in Mexico. See insert for details.

YOUTH GROUPS: Fellowship groups for 6th-12th graders. This Sun.: Meet from 6-7:30p to prepare for Youth Sunday (May 8).

SERVING GREENSBORO TOGETHER's 30th anniversary is Tues., May 3. Many area restaurants donate a portion of the day's receipts to the Greensboro Urban Ministry's Potter's House Kitchen. See insert for more.

OPEN DOOR FELLOWSHIP: Last Open Door of this season is on Wed., May 4, 5:45-6:30p. Meal in Gathering Place: bring a dish to share. Program: 6:30-6:50p in sanctuary.

YOUTH SUNDAY is next week, Sun., May 8. Members of our youth groups, and their advisors, will lead worship that day.

YOUTH COOKIE SALE is before and after worship on Sun., May 8, in the Gathering Place. \$12 per box, fill-your-own from a massive selection of homemade delights. Benefits youth mission trips this summer.

PLEASANT GARDEN FIRE DEPT. holds yard sale to help fund Donald's Fire Haven Museum: Sat., May 14, 8a-1p. Contact Terry (tbradley@pgfd3.com) to reserve a 10x10 space (\$10) and/or to rent a table (\$5). Biscuits, snacks, coffee and drinks available; hot dog lunch starts at 11a.

POTTERS HOUSE MEALS: Supper at Greensboro Urban Ministry's dining room is on the third Sat. of odd months. Next times: May 21, July

16, Sept. 17, Nov. 19. Contact Darren Hadley to serve (darren.hadley@triad.rr.com). APC has served supper to hungry guests there since 2004.

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSE on Wed., May 25 while staff takes a spiritual retreat off-campus.

PASTOR JESS'S BOOK CLUB: Tues., May 24 at 7p for Blood Brothers by Elias Chacour. Contact Jess at jess@alamancechurch.org to join.

SENIORS & FRIENDS meet in the Coble House on even months for a meal and fellowship. Next meal: Mon., June 6, 11:30a. On Tues., June 28, they take a road trip downtown; for a museum tour, then to dine at an historical eating place. Details of trip follow in weeks ahead.

MEAL TRAIN for Barbara Reece, after her major surgery. Go to https://mealtrain.com/oqr8g1 to sign up.

STEPSOULS EXERCISE CLASS meets M-Th, 4:30-6p; Sat. 8:30-10a in the Community Room under sanctuary. Details: APC website and Phyllis Monroe (phylmonroe@gmail.com).

OPEN MEETING: 12-step recovery program (AA) is 7p every Thurs., in the Picnic Pavilion. All are welcome. Meets in Gathering Place when the weather is bad.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in memory of Harold & Betty Bennett's wedding anniversary, and in honor of Darren & Elizabeth Hadley's wedding anniversary, by Darren Hadley.

Food Pantry

Please: No more egg cartons, for now.

Special collection for May: Canned vegetables

A large RED bin behind Brown Fellowship Hall is for shelf-stable food donations. Contact the Food Pantry to donate fresh produce or meat.

A large carton in the Gathering Room is for shelf-stable food, and clean dry plastic grocery bags.

VOLUNTEERS ESSENTIAL: Food Pantry Team needs you. Go here to sign up: https://signup.com/go/FLfKFNp

Team needs: unpackers of food deliveries, shelvers of those foods, phone answerers for client calls, grocery cart fillers, takers of info from clients in their cars, putters-in-cars of each client's groceries.

Presbyterian Women Circles meet:

Martha Brown: Wed., May 18, 1p, at Coble House.

Red Hat: Mon., May 2, 6p; Coble House.

Agapé: Tues., May 10, 11a to go out to eat; return to church for Bible study.

L.I.F.T.: Check with your moderator.

Church Staff

- Dr. Kyle Goodman, Lead Pastor
Rev. Jess Rigel, Discipleship Pastor
Andrew Long, Dir., Youth Ministries
Joy Thomas, Dir., Children's Ministries
Katie Long, Director of Music
Rebecca Oden, Pianist
Dana Adams, Finance Coordinator
Lynn Barnes, Secretary
Mary Ellen Shores Director, Child Development Center
Jane Preston Asst. Dir., CDC

Notice:

Masks are strongly recommended in the Child Development Center. Masks are now optional at worship and fellowship events.

This congregation adheres to all federal, NC state, and Guilford County recommendations and mandates for safe behavior during the pandemic.

COVID-19 PANDEMIC continues to plague us. All scheduled events at APC are still subject to change. Ask group leader about your meeting.

ONLINE GIVING:

www.alamancechurch.org has instructions to sign up with Easy Tithe for online giving.

To give by Text: text the word "give" to 336-396-6133. Follow the prompts to set up an account and make donations.

This is the only reason to text: The church phones cannot accept regular text messages.

Need to make changes to your account? Contact Dana Adams: 336.697.0488 x 127, dana@alamancechurch.org.

WE STILL ACCEPT DONATIONS for the Hea-van! This resource sees near-constant use by individuals with mobility issues. Thank you for your gifts to the Lift Van Fund.

Thou mayest also donate to the worthy cause of obtaining covered parking for the church and daycare bus fleet, so that we can exercise good stewardship of those resources.

CHURCH OFFICE

(336)-697-0488

info@alamancechurch.org
During normal business days, the church office is open
8:30a-2:30p on M-T-Th-F;
8:30a-12:30p on Wednesday.



We welcome all to the community of Jesus: to connect, to learn, to worship, to serve.

Third Sunday of Easter

May 1, 2022 10 a.m.



Gathering

Welcome and announcements

Lay Reader today is Kathy Medder.

Opening Music

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

- John Carter

Call to Worship

One Voice: Christ asked Peter if he loved him.
All Voices: Peter affirmed three times his love of the Lord.
One: Christ asks us if we love him.
All: We affirm our love of the Lord in our worship.
One: Christ calls us to demonstrate our love in service.
All: Lord, help us to witness to your love in the ways in which we care for others.

*Opening Hymn

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Song sheet

Confession & Reconciliation

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

We rejoice in the wonder of your resurrection, O Christ; but then tend to sink back into our old ways of thinking, behaving, responding to people's needs. We can dance with angels and all humankind on Easter Sunday, but the days following the Day of Resurrection cause us to slip back into apathy or despair. Forgive us when we so easily become distracted by our own cares and worries that we ignore the needs of others around us. Forgive us when we forget your power and love for us. Charge us up, O Lord! Set our hearts to dancing! Give us a spirit for rejoicing, willing hearts and hands for helping, voices for praising you forever! Amen.

A Promise of Forgiveness and Peace

Passing of the Peace

We invite everyone to share Christ's peace with your neighbors in whatever way you can, both now and after the service.

One: The peace of the Lord be with you. **All: And also with you.**

***Sung Response** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* Song sheet

The Word

First Scripture Reading *John 21:1-14*

One: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *The Lord Is My Shepherd* - Allen Pote

Children's Message

The Sacrament of Baptism Fields Wyrick Oliver

Presentation

Profession of Faith *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living 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.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Baptism

Baptismal Hymn *Step by Step* Song sheet

Children from age 4-5th grade may now leave the sanctuary for Children's Church — a worship time designed especially for them. They will rejoin us after the Message.

Second Scripture Reading *John 21:15-19*

One: This is the Word of the Lord. **All: Thanks be to God.**

Message *To Follow or Fall Back* Dr. Kyle Goodman

Thanksgiving & Offering

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer King James Version

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowéd be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Pray with the words that hold the most meaning for you, even if your words are different than your neighbor's.

Call to Offering

Sharing of Offering

We invite you to prayerfully make a donation to contribute to the continued life and work of our congregation. Please consider mailing contributions directly to the church, or using our online giving platform, available at <https://www.alamancechurch.org/online-giving>.

Offertory *I Love to Tell the Story* - arr. Mary McDonald

* **Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Song sheet

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly hosts.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Sending

* **Sending Hymn** *The Summons* Song sheet

*Charge and Benediction

Closing Music

* One asterisk means to stand, as you are able.

After worship, the minister stands at the side door, the closest exit for those with special needs.

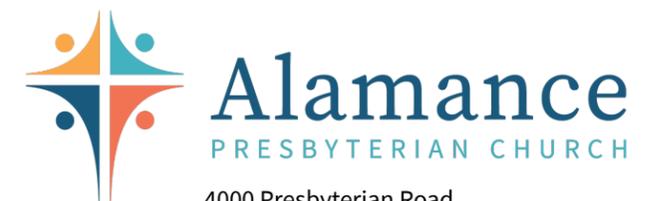
Citations for references used during worship are available upon request, from the ministers.

The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible is used during worship, *unless otherwise noted*.

Lectionary Year C Scripture for the Third Sunday in Easter, **May 1: Psalm 30; Acts 9:1-6, (7-20); Rev. 5:11-14; John 21:1-19.**

Lectionary Year C Scripture for the Fourth Sunday in Easter, **May 8: Acts 9:36-43, Psalm 23, Revelation 7:9-17, John 10:22-30.**

A lectionary is a selection of Bible readings to be used for worship and study. This congregation uses the Revised Common Lectionary, which follows the liturgical year in a three-year cycle. Its scriptural recommendations complement the current season of the liturgical year.



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We are a **Matthew 25** Church.
We are a Hunger Action Congregation.
We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.

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