



BALLANTYNE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

ASCENSION SUNDAY

May 12, 2024

6:00 p.m.

<https://www.ballantynepres.com/webcast>

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;

To all who mourn and long for comfort;

To all who struggle and desire victory;

To all who sin and need a Savior;

To all who are strangers and want fellowship;

To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;

And to whoever will come –

This church opens wide her doors

And offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

* HYMN OF PRAISE

Trinity Hymnal No. 289

289

A Hymn of Glory Let Us Sing

Why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus ... will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven. Acts 1:11

1. A hymn of glo - ry let us sing; new songs thro' - out the world shall
 2. The ho - ly ap - os - tol - ic band up - on the Mount of Ol - ives
 3. To whom the an - gels, draw - ing nigh: "Why stand and gaze up - on the
 4. "A - gain shall ye be - hold him so as ye to - day have seen him

ring: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ, by a road be - fore un -
 stand; Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! and with his fol - low - ers they
 sky?" Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! "This is the Sav - ior," thus they
 go, Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! in glo - rious pomp as - cend - ing

trod, as - cend - eth to the throne of God.
 see Je - sus' re - splen - dent maj - es - ty. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 say, "this is his no - ble tri - umph day."
 high, up to the por - tals of the sky."

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

* INVOCATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Ephesians 1:15-23, ESV page 976

HYMN OF ADORATION

Trinity Hymnal No. 482

482

Come unto Me, Ye Weary

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.
Matt. 11:28

1. "Come un - to me, ye wea - ry, and I will give you rest."
2. "Come un - to me, dear chil - dren, and I will give you light."
3. "Come un - to me, ye faint - ing, and I will give you life."
4. "And who - so - ev - er com - eth I will not cast him out."

O bless - ed voice of Je - sus which comes to hearts op - pressed!
O lov - ing voice of Je - sus which comes to cheer the night!
O peace - ful voice of Je - sus which comes to end our strife!
O pa - tient love of Je - sus which drives a - way our doubt;

It tells of ben - e - dic - tion, of par - don, grace, and peace,
Our hearts were filled with sad - ness, and we had lost our way;
The foe is stern and ea - ger, the fight is fierce and long;
which calls us, ver - y sin - ners, un - wor - thy though we be

of joy that hath no end - ing, of love which can - not cease.
but morn - ing brings us glad - ness, and songs the break of day.
but thou hast made us might - y, and strong - er than the strong.
of love so free and bound - less, to come, dear Lord, to thee!

CONFESSION OF FAITH: *To Be a Christian*

Q. 71. How should you understand Jesus' ascension into heaven?

A. 71. Jesus was taken up out of human sight and returned in his humanity to the glory he had shared with the Father before his incarnation. There he intercedes for, and receives into heavenly life, all who come to him in faith. Though absent in body, Jesus is always with me by his Spirit and hears me when I pray.

Q. 73. What does it mean for Jesus to sit at God the Father's right hand?

A. 73. The throne on the king's right hand was traditionally the seat of one appointed to exercise the king's own authority. Ruling with his Father in heaven, Jesus is Lord over the Church and all creation, with authority to equip his Church, advance his kingdom, bring sinners into saving fellowship with God the Father, and finally establish justice and peace upon the earth.

EVENING PRAYER

21B

Because the King Trusts in the LORD

Psalm 21:7-13

...When the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven
with His mighty angels. —2 Thessalonians 1:7

4. ⁷ Be - cause the king trusts in the LORD His con - fi - dence is sure;
5. ⁹ In an - ger You will burn them up At Your ap - point - ed hour;
6. ¹² For You will make them all re - treat— Your ar - rows are in place—

And through the love of Him Most High, The king is kept se - cure.
The LORD will swal - low them in wrath, In fi - ery flames de - vour.
And on Your bow - string they are aimed To strike them in the face.

⁸ Your hand will search for en - e - mics And find out all Your foes,
¹⁰ Their fruit You will re - move from earth, Their chil - dren from man - kind.
¹³ In Your al - might - y strength, O LORD, Ex - alt Your - self on high;

And all who har - bor hate for You Your right hand will op - pose.
¹¹ Their e - vil plots will not suc - ceed, Nor schemes they have de - signed.
Then we will sing with psalms of praise, Your pow - er glo - ri - fy.

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Hail to the Lord's Anointed

In his days the righteous will flourish; prosperity will abound till the moon is no more.
Ps. 72:7

1. Hail to the Lord's A - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er Son!
 2. He comes with com - fort speed - y to those who suf - fer wrong;
 3. He shall come down like show - ers up - on the fruit - ful earth;
 4. O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall rest,

Hail, in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
 to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong;
 and love, joy, hope, like flow - ers, spring in his path to birth;
 from age to age more glo - rious, all - bless - ing and all - blessed;

He comes to break op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free,
 to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to light,
 be - fore him on the moun - tains shall peace, the her - ald, go;
 the tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;

to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.
 and righ - teous - ness, in foun - tains, from hill to val - ley flow.
 his name shall stand for - ev - er—that name to us is Love.

Based on Psalm 72
James Montgomery, 1821, 1828; alt. 1990

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Samuel S. Wesley, 1864

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

* Congregation Standing

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TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offering plates will be passed during morning worship. Additional ways to give:

ONLINE: <http://www.ballantynepres.com/giving/>

MAIL: Please mail any tithes and offering checks (no cash) to the treasurer's home address and he will ensure the funds are deposited into the church's account: Matt Spear BPC Treasurer, 1722 Tanglebriar Court, Weddington, NC 28104

THIS WEEK

Tuesday Night 6:30 p.m. YOUNG ADULTS meet at Kennedy's

Our Young Adults group meets on the second and fourth Tuesday each month from 6:30-8:30pm. In our study, we are using a discussion guide based on the *Jesus Story Book Bible*. Please come for a meal followed by a time of Bible study and prayer. If you have any questions, please contact Sam Bullard sbullard2@carolina.rr.com

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. PRAYER MEETING

In Person & via Zoom

Dr. Nance leads with a devotional and then we will pray together on a Zoom call.

The ZOOM meeting password is the same as the Prayer List password

<https://zoom.us/j/97617806601>

Wednesday Night 6:30 p.m. YOUTH GROUP at BPC

Our new series is in the book of Philippians, examining how God's grace informs the way Christians approach friendship. Please join us on Wednesdays at 6:30pm for snacks and a lesson. Contact Austin Cassel for more information or to be added to the weekly email: acassel340@gmail.com

Friday Morning 6:45 a.m. MEN'S BIBLE STUDY - In Person

We will begin a study on Christian community and fellowship using the book *Life Together*, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer as our guide.

SAVE THE DATES

May 14 Young Adults meet at Kennedy's, 6:30 p.m.

May 18 Youth Saturday at the Ball home, 6-8pm

May 19 Graduate Potluck Luncheon honoring our 2024 graduates:

High School – John Jackson, Trey Kelley, Daniel Spear

College – Sam Hinkelman, Timothy Spear

R.T.S. – Jordan Perkins

May 26 No Sunday School May 26-Sept. 8

June 2 Outreach Sunday Evening Worship at Brightmore; 10am at Pavilion

June 9 *NEW* Deacons' Benevolence Fund Offering

Sept 13-14 Fall Men's Retreat at Bonclarken

CHURCH FINANCIAL UPDATE

3/31/2023	Actual	Budget	Variance
Income/Gifts	\$102,558	\$91,431	\$11,127
Expenses	\$90,856	\$91,431	\$575
Net Income/(Deficit)	\$11,702	\$0	\$11,702

SESSION

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Scott & Victoria Andes	RUF International - USC	Columbia, SC
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Michael & Laura Cochran	World Witness	England
Josh & Abigail Duemler	University Reformed Church	Lansing, MI
Drew & Lauren Goodman	World Witness	Uganda
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Michael & Lauren Wenzler	RUF - CSU	Ft. Collins, CO
Justin & M. Westmoreland	Trinity Presbyterian Ch.	Norman, OK

**Missionary of the Month*

**SHARING THE LOVE OF THE FATHER, THE GRACE OF HIS SON,
AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF HIS SPIRIT IN BALLANTYNE AND BEYOND.**

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