



Corinth

REFORMED CHURCH

You Matter. You Belong. You Serve.

Worship With Us on Sunday, April 4

- 8:30am Sonrise Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Front Lawn)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship (Bost Memorial Hall)

To prepare for worship, read Matthew 28:1-15.

Our worship services are livestreamed at corinthtoday.org/live

"The Corinthian"

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Pastors' Prayer List

Congratulations

- **Dylan Spencer Beiland, Jr.** born 3/28 to Meredith and Dylan Beiland, Sr. Proud grandparents are Steve and Marsha White. mac28601@yahoo.com

Health Concerns

- **Mackenzie Grise** (surgery, 3/30) Kenzgriffi96@gmail.com
- **Betty Sherrill** (Layne Sherrill's mother) Taossofa@outlook.com
- **Dorothy Wood** (surgery, 3/26, Diane Camp's sister) d_camp_1225@hotmail.com
- **Diane Camp** d_camp_1225@hotmail.com
- **Carter Lehmons** (Paula and Danny Wittenberg's grandson, age 4) wittenbergpaula@gmail.com
- **Lou Ludwig** (Catawba Valley Medical Center) louludwig@gmail.com

Recent Deaths

- **Don Harris** (Stephanie McKee's stepfather) mcgee708@hotmail.com

Communion Elements for Maundy Thursday Service. Matzah and grape juice are available for pick-up in the Rowe Welcome Center during office hours on Wednesday and Thursday, for those who wish to participate in communion at home.

Coming Up at Corinth

Wed 3/31 — Wednesday Night Activities

- **Wednesday Night Meals, 5:30-6:30pm.** Corinth is offering meals to go. You must sign up for your meal(s), bit.ly/2ZMHmRv and pick up behind Bost Memorial Hall.
- **Women's and Men's Bible Studies and Children's Programs, 6pm.** Signup is required. Visit corinthtoday.org/now for a list of classes and ways to sign up.
- **Youth CREW, 6pm, Bost Memorial Hall.** All grades 6-12 are invited. No signup required.

Thu 4/1 — Maundy Thursday Worship, 6:30pm, Sanctuary. Join in person or online, corinthtoday.org/live for a service of Scripture and music from the Upper Room (John 13-17).

Fri 4/2 — Craft n Connect, 1pm, Mitchell House Room 106. All women are invited to join in crafting and conversation. Email Patter Cross, patter@corinthtoday.org for more information.

Sat 4/3 — Anxiety Support Group, 10am, POTS House. To learn more contact Rachel Hammer, rachelviolam@hotmail.com.

Sun 4/4 — Easter Worship. We will have a photo backdrop in the courtyard for pictures. Join us for worship in person or online, corinthtoday.org/live.

- **Sonrise Worship, 8:30am, Sanctuary**
- **Traditional Worship, 11am, Front Lawn** (chairs are provided)
- **Contemporary Worship, 11am, Bost Memorial Hall**

Mon 4/5 — Church Office Closed. We will not have a newsletter this week.

Wed 4/7 — No Wednesday Night Activities or Meals.

Sunday, March 28

Giving: Online corinthtoday.org/give
Text "Corinth" or "Corinth Legacy" to 73256
Mail check to 150 16th Ave NW, Hickory NC 28601

Offerings: \$47,379 for General Fund
\$117,610 over Fiscal Year budget

Ways to Connect

Volunteers. If you are available and can help during the Maundy Thursday and/or Easter services, email Patter, patter@corinthtoday.org.

Childcare. We are offering childcare for ages 0-5 on Sunday mornings during the 8:30am and 11am worship services. Sign up is required each week at bit.ly/3rSwoq0. For questions, email Sharon Rowe, sharon@corinthtoday.org.

Corinth 101. This is a 4-week class that begins April 11 and is led by Pastor Bob Thompson both on Zoom or in person. It is required for membership, but open to anyone who wants to learn more about the church. To sign up or learn more, email Pastor Amy, amy@corinthtoday.org.

Good Friday Worship. Join the local church community on Good Friday (April 2) at Morning Star First Baptist Church at 12pm for the "7 Last Words" service. You may come and go as your schedule permits or watch online, cutt.ly/Qx7UzSb. Pastor Bob will speak the "Third Word."

Lent Prayer and Discipline. The sanctuary will continue to be open at select times for prayer, and the art exhibit will also continue until Easter. For details and schedules, visit corinthtoday.org/now.

VBS. Volunteers are needed for VBS this summer, June 28 - July 1. Rising 7th graders and older are encouraged to help. Contact Stephanie Robinson, robinsonfour@gmail.com for more info.



On Saturday, Corinth hosted an Easter Egg Hunt for kids and celebrated the joy of Jesus!

Thank you to all the volunteers and families who helped make it so much fun!

Palm Sunday at Corinth included children waving palm branches singing *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus*.



Thank You Corinth!

If you would like to thank Corinth members for anything, please email office@corinthtoday.org.

Joe and Diane Coleman are grateful for the love and kindness after the loss of their son Lewis.

Safe Harbor is thankful for all the donations and support during Love Month.

Ben Graham and the Board of Property Management thank all the volunteers that helped during the Spring Work day to make Corinth's grounds beautiful.

Catawba Valley Medical Center Respiratory Department has appreciated all of the meals and encouragement during this stressful time.

Fran Bolick is grateful for Corinth's generosity and thoughtfulness.

Southwest Primary Staff is thankful for the love and support for Madison and Kevin McClure's family.

April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
* Worship Schedule 8:30am Sonrise Worship (Sanctuary) 11am Traditional Worship (Sanctuary) 11am Contemporary Worship (Bost Memorial Hall)		** Wednesday Night Programming 6pm Nursery Care (Birth thru Age 3) Kids' Club (Age 4 thru 5th Grade) Youth CREW (Grades 6-12) Men's Study: Discipleship Class Sermon Series Bible Study		1 8am Men's Bible Study 10am Finding I Am Bible Study 2:30pm-4pm Sanctuary open for prayer 6:30pm Maundy Thursday Service	2 1pm Craft n' Connect	3 10am Anxiety Support Group
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Office Hours

Mon-Thurs 9:00am — 4:00pm
Fri 9:00am — 12:00pm



Pastor's Pen — "No Surprise"

I vividly remember my first Easter Sunday as a pastor. Or at least I remember the night before. In a small church where delegation of pastoral duties is not an option, I had worked hard to pull together the bulletin, the details of the sunrise service in the cemetery, and I don't even remember what else. Maybe there was a funeral that week or some pastoral care crises. At home was a weary wife, a 7-year-old son, a 3-year-old daughter, and a 6-week-old baby girl who deserved my time and attention.

What I remember vividly is that it was Saturday evening before my first opportunity to preach a sermon on the highest of our holy days as Christians, and I had done no study. I had invested very little thought in what I might say to make the message of Easter fresh and relevant for my people.

Easter Sunday had surprised me, and I vowed to the Lord it would never happen again. As long as I had the privilege of preaching and leading worship, especially on Easter, I would prioritize whatever time was needed to proclaim the miracle that is at the center of our faith.

Easter should never be a surprise – not to me and not to you. I wonder what preparation you've made for this Lord's Day. Worship doesn't just happen. Perhaps you've fallen into a rhythm of rolling out of bed a few minutes before the livestream starts – with just enough time to wipe away the rheum and gound (aka eye boogers), grab a cup of coffee, and turn on the computer.

This is Easter, people! Get ready. Pray all week through Matthew 24:1-15. Consider carefully who might be experiencing a wide chasm between themselves and the risen Lord and his church. Invite them to attend or watch with you. Reach out to someone from whom you're alienated. Plan ways to love the poor, the marginalized, and others Jesus has on his heart. Hang a banner in the yard or decorate an Easter cross. Share the Gospel with somebody.

Don't let Sunday morning surprise you. Plan to get up early, dress for the Day of Days, share a special breakfast, and explain to your kids why eggs and bunnies connect to an empty tomb. Then focus your full attention in worship, because "Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia!"

-Pastor Bob Thompson