



From the Rafters

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Our Mission

We are a people rooted in worship, branching out into the world.

Dear Church of the Resurrection Family,

Recently, our stewardship committee met and the idea of “Did You Know” was discussed. I am sure there are many things you are not aware of about our beloved church. We will spend some time over the next couple of months sharing a few highlights of what makes Church of the Resurrection so special and a place for all of God’s people!



Did You Know???

- We have 13 committees and guilds that work so hard to run ministries within our parish. Maybe you would like to join one?
- There are 112 people that serve in some way to make our liturgy full of God’s love. Is there a ministry you would be interested in joining?
- We have 4 Bible Studies and Small Groups. Are you interested in deepening your faith in this way?

Here is a list of options you have to participate more fully in the life of our church:

Committees:

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| Mission Partnerships | Finance |
| Fellowship | Pastoral Care |
| Newcomers | Vestry |
| Building and Grounds | Gardening |
| Stewardship | Altar Guild |
| Flower Guild | |
| Becoming Beloved Community | |
| Resurrection Foundation | |

Ministries:

- | | |
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| Ushers | Readers |
| Acolytes | Choir |
| Eucharistic Ministers | Eucharistic Visitors |
| Daughters of the King | CO3R Tutoring |
| Episcopal Church Women | |
| Nursery / Children’s Worship | |

Christian Formation:

- | | |
|------------------------|------------------|
| Women’s Bible Study | Sacred Ground |
| Education for Ministry | Friends in Faith |

These opportunities are just a few of many Did You Know’s that make our parish so special and full of God’s love! Consider being a part of these ministries. I will gladly help you! Reach out and let’s get started.

Happy Easter! Remember we walk these days of Easter for 50 days. We are Resurrection People! We are Easter People! Alleluia! He has Risen!

Love, Mary Balfour+

Coffee

Late winter morning
Up at five
I feed the dogs and let both out
The little one returns inside to Mom’s bed
The bigger one gets under Dad’s desk
Where I write this poem
Odd hours, the same responsibilities as everyone
As most do, my life fell apart
Having put it back together, I smile
In daylight, it will make more sense
For now, I drink fresh coffee
Life is good

By Murray Dunlap

Columbarium News

The Church of the Resurrection's columbarium was established in 2003 as a sacred final resting place within our courtyard for the cremated remains of the saints who choose to reside there. If you've visited the columbarium, you've noticed that niches contain both the remains of individuals and those of couples. The columbarium has become a welcome option for many as they begin the process of estate planning. So much so, in fact, that there are currently only ten spaces remaining in the original structure. The cost for an individual placement is \$1025.00 and for a couple, \$1320.00. The vestry is considering a plan to enlarge the columbarium with the understanding that the cost of the niches in the addition will be higher.

If you are interested in one of the ten remaining spaces or have any questions about the columbarium, please email Dean Faden at dfaden@hotmail.com.



Mission Partnership News

Through the coordination of its Mission Partnerships Committee, our church donated \$22,137 to local charities in January 2022! These funds came from the Mardi Gras Celebration in 2021, the Race to be Thankful in November, and the 2022 Mission Partnership allocation from the Parish. We have an incredibly generous community, and we heartily thank all who gave. And that's not the only good news to share:

-- Allison Wooten is joining the Mission Partnership Committee. Welcome to Allison and thanks for her hard work with the Resurrection Clothes Closet along with Sandra Lewis. The Clothes Closet supports our adopted schools, Mays Elementary and Rice Elementary.



-- The Mardi Gras Fund Raiser netted \$11,215 for Mission activities this year. Thanks to the cooks, decorators, auction volunteers, second line volunteers, etc... for providing a festive pre-Lenten celebration.

-- The Greenwood Soup Kitchen recently received an Angel Award from the SC Secretary of State. This award recognizes 10 charities annually for outstanding performance. The Greenwood Soup Kitchen returns 99% of its program specific money to the community annually. They function with a 100% volunteer staff. Kudos to Norm and Roxie Fawcett for their leadership and commitment to the Soup Kitchen. The Soup Kitchen served 28,400 meals last year, which is back to normal after a pandemic surge to around 40,000 meals.

-- The Westside Coalition Planning Team is resuming its quarterly neighborhood meeting at Macedonia Church on Thursday, May 19 at 5:30. We'd love for anyone interested to join us there. For many years, Resurrection has supported the Westside renewal effort alongside Habitat for Humanity, the City of Greenwood, local churches, and others. We are proud to be a part of the Westside community!

~ Jan Puzar, Chair of Mission Partnerships Committee

Let's Congratulate our Seniors!

Ryan Anderson, son of Michele and Andy Anderson, will graduate from Emerald High School. He plans to attend either The Citadel or Clemson University.



Virginia Glenn Donaghy, daughter of St. Claire and Glenn

Donaghy, will graduate from Cambridge Academy. She plans to attend the College of Charleston to study biology.





George Hyatt, son of Salley Cathcart and Mark Hyatt, will graduate from Greenwood High School. He plans to attend Lander University.

Gray Putnam, son of Renee Love, will graduate from Greenwood High School. He plans to attend the University of South Carolina in Columbia to study exercise science.



Peter Russell, son of Kim and John Russell, will graduate from Greenwood High School. He plans to attend Clemson University to study engineering.

Hailey Willis, daughter of Windy and Lloyd Willis, will graduate from Ninety-Six High School. She plans to attend Western Carolina University.



Formation Moment: What do Pentecost and the Tower of Babel have in common?

The answer to the question presented in this article's title may be obvious if you are familiar with the Babel story. But that's not a story many

know well, so let me start with the short answer: tongues. In the Babel story, the gift of tongues seems like a curse; in the Pentecost story, the gift of tongues is a blessing. These two stories, one a Hebrew legend, the other a somewhat mystical birthday party, are connected in a meaningful way, and their comparison demonstrates the deep significance of our upcoming celebration of Pentecost Day.

The story of the Tower of Babel takes up nine verses in chapter 11 of Genesis. It is an odd story that falls just after a Christian favorite – Noah and the Flood. At the end of the Flood story, God commands Noah and his sons to “fill the earth.” Then Genesis continues with a chapter devoted to Noah’s descendants and the territories they filled. These descendants, or perhaps those led by Nimrod (great-great-grandson of Noah), still spoke only one language and settled in the land of Shinar.¹ These people decided to build a tower all the way to the heavens to “make a name for [them]selves” and avoid being “scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth.” Their pride and fear led them to defy God’s command to “fill the earth.” God then decides to have a look at this tower and is not pleased – “... this is only the beginning of what they will do; nothing that they propose to do will now be impossible for them.” So God confuses the mortals’ language and “scatters them abroad,” the very result they had sought to avoid.

Following the Babel story, which again is sandwiched in passages about Noah’s descendants, comes the beginning of Hebrew history – God’s calling of Abram and Abram’s obedience to God’s command. So the biblical narrative continues through Hebrew scripture, prophecies and writings, the Psalms and Proverbs, all the way to the gospel stories of Jesus’ life, death and resurrection. Jesus promises his disciples that they will be given a gift and should wait in the city until they receive it. On the fiftieth day, while they were “all together in one place,” that gift arrived. With a sound

¹ An interesting side note: According to the bible, Nimrod was a mighty warrior or hunter. His first “kingdom was Babel... in the land of Shinar.” Shinar later was home to

the city of Babylon. The words Babel and Babylon have the same etymological root.

“like the rush of a violent wind” came the Holy Spirit symbolized by divided tongues “as of fire” that enabled the disciples to speak in other languages. The disciples were thus fully equipped to share Jesus’ teachings throughout the whole world. And they did share those teachings. And the world was never the same.

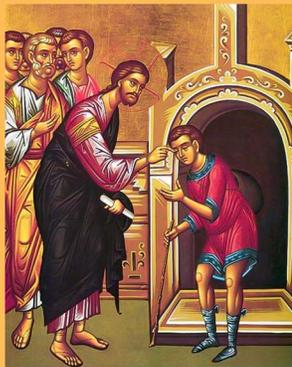
So it seems that Pentecost is almost a parallel to the Babel story. Babel is an etiological tale of the diversity of human language but with a message: God does not desire uniformity but rather diversity. God does not desire his people to hunker down in fear but rather to bravely fill the earth as his co-creators. Pentecost is the etiological story of the Christian church with a similar, powerful message: God desires unity of purpose, but not uniformity. God empowers us by our diversity to accomplish God’s dream for creation. The Babel people clung to their uniformity as a mechanism of self-aggrandizement and preservation. Pentecost people fearlessly claim their diversity and use it to fill the earth with knowledge of God’s mercy and love. Let us all be Pentecost people. Collective action for selfish gain does not connect us to heaven; it brings shame upon us. But when God’s people work together for God’s purposes, with God’s help, we can change the world for the good of all. That is a truth worth celebrating!

~ Elizabeth Floyd

Upcoming Events and Opportunities for Ministry



*Hear us, O Lord of life:
Heal us, and make us whole.*



*Services of Holy Eucharist and Healing
12:00 in the Nave
Wednesday, May 4, 2022*



Pentecost Picnic
Sunday, June 5, 2022 10:30 AM
Worship (Rite II with special music) in the Prayer Garden
Followed by a Picnic Lunch on the Back Lot



Holy Eucharist at Wesley Commons
Tuesday, May 10 11:00 AM
Please join us!

“Prayer without work is empty words. Service without prayer is labor lost.”



**A very special Sunday
at Resurrection:
May 15, 2022**

**Meet our new
bishop, the Rt. Rev.
Daniel P. Richards**



**Celebrate all those receiving the
sacrament of Confirmation, Reception
and Reaffirmation!**

**Congratulate our
graduates!**



Stevens, Marcia Stevens Wiggs, and Ethel Stevens Williams by Mr. Tom Stevens.

The Presence Candle in the sanctuary burns in memory of Charlotte Perosino, in honor of Claudette McKinney, and in recognition of all mothers from George and Sarah McKinney.

Parish Connections...

Music	Donna Brooks 992-3738 dbrooksgwd@gmail.com
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Altar Arrangements:

May 1 – To the glory of God and in loving memory of Doris Clay by Evan Clay.

May 8 - To the glory of God and in memory of her mother, Elizabeth Lucas Burns; her grandmothers, Natalie Bettis Lucas and Maude C. Burns; and her Godmothers, Virginia Turner Self and Virginia McGowan Burns; his mother, Mary Elizabeth Padgett; Jane Jeter, Virginia Preston Self, and Jane Meter; and in thanksgiving for our two granddaughters, Anna Ravenel Burns Padgett and Elizabeth Simons Lucas Padgett by Anna and James Padgett, Jr.

May 15 – To the glory of God and in thanksgiving for her grandchildren: Ginger Nance, Kate DiZio, Jennifer Peterson, Stephanie, Christine, Nathan and Adam Himes; and great-grandchildren: Andrew Navarro and Elijah and Gillian Ham by Christine Jayne.

May 22 – To the glory of God and in loving memory of Arch and Cass Booker by the families of Archer Booker, Jr. and Hollie Booker Millner.

May 29 - To the glory of God and in loving memory of Mary Anderson Sefton, Ethel Sefton

May 2022 Ministry Schedule

If you cannot fill the position assigned, please make arrangements for your replacement,
and let the Parish Office know of the change. Thank you!

	May 1 The Third Sunday of Easter	May 8 The Fourth Sunday of Easter (Mother's Day)	May 15 The Fifth Sunday of Easter	May 22 The Sixth Sunday of Easter	May 29 The Seventh Sunday of Easter: The Sunday after Ascension Day
Vestry of the Month	Al Merrill and Karen Whitfield				
Altar Guild	Marty Cobb (Chair), Cathy Robertson (Intern), Peggy Adams, Susu Wallace, Sandra Lewis, Beverly Wilson				
Readings	Acts 9:1-20 Psalm 30 Revelation 5:11-14 John 21:1-19	Acts 9:36-43 Psalm 23 Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30	Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148 Revelation 21:1-6 John 13:31-35	Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 Revelation 21:10, 22 – 22:5 John 14:23-29	Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97 Revelations 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-22 John 17:20-26
8:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite I					
1st Lesson and Psalm	Mary Bright	Josie Ryan	Tom Barchi	Stephen Tucker	Deryl McGuire
2nd Lesson and Prayers of the People	Stephen Tucker	Domer Ridings	Deryl McGuire	Domer Ridings	Chuck McDonnell
EM	Chuck McDonnell	Tom Rohrer	Lou Wynne	Mary Bright	Tom Rohrer
Usher	Walker Moore	Lou Wynne	John Scurry	Walker Moore	John Scurry
10:30 Holy Eucharist, Rite II					
1st Lesson	Eddie Barber	Alecia Compton	Mary Charles Haigler	John Maschoff	Jane Merrill
2nd Lesson and Prayers of the People	Summer Booker	Ryan Floyd	Andrew Hodges	Lucas McMillan	Celie Mescall
EM	Trisha Craven	Moorea Knights	Adrian Little	Frank Wideman	Beverly Wilson
1st Cross	Delaney Floyd	Virginia Glenn Donaghy	Ryan Anderson	Peter Russell	Cannon Wooten
2nd Cross	Aiden Willis	Julia Donaghy	Will McMillan	Catie Robertson	Jacob Davis
Torchbearers	Riley Floyd Michael Floyd	None	Henry McMillan Chloe Normandia	None	Abbie Jules Davis
Ushers	Diana Carver Ken Headley- Downs	Richard Cathcart Allen Hughes	Al & Rebecca Merrill	John Cobb Abney Wallace	Tom Cobb Eddie Barber
Nursery	Mary Bright	Mary Bright	None	Mary Bright	None
Coffee Hosts	Beverly Wilson	Floyd Family	Fellowship Committee	Marilyn Bennett Billy DuPre	Haigler Family
Blessing Box	Ben & Shana Southard- Dobbs	Ben & Shana Southard- Dobbs	Ben & Shana Southard- Dobbs	Ben & Shana Southard- Dobbs	Ben & Shana Southard- Dobbs
Flower Guild	Helen Nazzaro	Barbara Cameron	Marilyn Bennett	Helen Nazzaro	Marilyn Bennett

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES WITH YOU

BIRTHDAYS		ANNIVERSARIES
1 – Chuck Gresham	19 – Will McMillan	2 – Beverly & Barry Wilson
1 – Anna Hyatt	19 – Perrin Roper	3 – Michele & Andy Anderson
1 – Hope Scurry	20 – Camilla Cathcart	8 – Malone & Kevin Whitehead
2 – Jane Sanders	21 – Patrick Craven	17 – Sarah & Erich Normandia
3 – Cathy Robertson	21 – Charles Long, Jr.	18 – Sarah & George McKinney
7 – Reva Davis	22 – Josie Ryan	24 – Susu & Abney Wallace
8 – Rebecca Merrill	23 – Drew Hodges	26 – Libby & Henry Cary
11 – Karen Bright	24 – Margaret Ann Hughes	29 – Jo Ann & Bob Brewer
11 – Yates Johnson	25 – Bob DiBenedetto	29 – Susie & John Hinkel
12 – John Maschoff	26 – Tom Stevens	31 – Ellen & Bob de Guzman
14 – Will Craven	26 – Allison Wooten	
17 – Chuck McDonnell	28 – Bruce Craven	
18 – George Rush	29 – Stewart Russell	
19 – Steve Cameron	31 – Lori Kent	

Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families: Ann Arnold, Audine Bergman, Evan Clay, Bruce Craven, the Cathcart family, Paul Criswell, Carol Dean, Ellen de Guzman, Anne Marie Glawe, Joe Fennell, Charlie and Mary Joe Ferguson, Nan Hines, John Hughes, Chris Jayne, Joe, Joanne, Nicholas Kent, Adrian Little, Rebecca Long, Bart McGuire, Nancy Miller, Mary Jane Mobley, the Moore family, Bette Murray, Erich Normandia, Corrine Price, Teedie Radford, Bette Ricker, Domer Ridings, George Rush, Eddie and Jane Sanders, Bridge Simpkins, Ross Ann Steifle, Nancy Van Waldick, Carol Wynne, Lue Vonja Brooks (Bridge Simpkins' sister), Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Ardy Edgerton (Corrine Price's daughter-in-law), Diane de Guzman (step-daughter of Ellen de Guzman), Tanner Griffin (John and Cindy Hughes grandson), Taylor Grist (Robert Headley-Downs cousin), Matt Hall and family, Michelle Hirsch (Jo Ann and Bob Brewer's daughter), Cheri Hutchison (Jo Ann and Bob Brewer's daughter), Ian Kelso (Karen Bright's brother), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Jack McGinn (Marilyn Bennett's brother in law), Carol Myers (Leslie McDonnell, Gerald Brooks, and Laura Shealy's aunt), Elliot Norton (Karen and Bill Bright's nephew), Ann Parrott (Salley Cathcart's mother), Kurt Penney (Bacon family member), Carol Ann Pry (Susie Hinkel's niece), Mason Shirley, Jerry Stallworth (Cecily Hughes' father), Marie Stone (Jeff Lanford's mother), Johnnie Wall (Julie Rieger's uncle), Anne Cheshire Wideman (Frank Wideman's sister), and Susie Bright Woodard (Jim and Bill Bright's sister).

And for these persons: Brenda, Chris, Steve Driskell, Jamel Gethers, Vicki Hart (friend of the Brewers), Art M., Chuck Taylor, Gene Taylor, Ruth and Judith (Mims and Mary Jane Mobley's friends).

Please send additions/deletions to the prayer list or family news and prayer concerns to Denise at denise@episcopalgreenwood.org or call 223-5426.

We give thanks for your giving, which makes the ministry of Resurrection possible!

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
Month as of 4/23/2022	\$16,652	\$33,750	\$3,692	\$1,458	\$12,233	\$34,668
Year as of 4/23/2022	\$167,239	\$135,958	\$10,325	\$5,783	\$133,739	\$152,044



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