



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,



We continue the great 50 days of Easter in May and so much more! Alleluia, Alleluia, He has Risen!!! What a gift that Jesus rose from the dead for us to have everlasting life. I bask in that amazing love each and every day and I pray that you do as well.

A few things to highlight in May! May 14th at the 10:30 service we will honor our seniors, and our amazing youth will serve as readers and acolytes.

May 28th is our Pentecost Picnic and Volunteer Appreciation Day. We will celebrate with one service at 10:30, gathering in our beautiful back lot, using the altar for the first time, and enjoying a fun picnic afterwards. You will receive a postcard in the mail of what side item to bring!

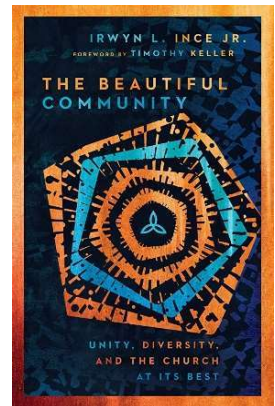
On June 3rd at 11 a.m., Mitchell Felton will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons at Trinity Cathedral in Columbia. This is one step closer to Mitchell living into his calling of being in a priest in God's church. We would like to rent a van to travel together to Columbia on that day. If you are interested in riding with us, please call the church office or email Denise Brown. If you are interested in purchasing a gift for Mitchell, please let me know. I have a list of items he needs in his ministry.

I tell you this often, but I don't think I can say it enough, it is my honor to be your Rector. I cherish this gift with all I have, I don't take it lightly, I hold you all in my heart. You are so loved by me, but most importantly by God!

Love,
Mary Balfour +

Anti-Racism Library Book of the Month: The Beautiful Community: Unity, Diversity and the Church at its Best by Irwyn Ince, Jr.

We will celebrate Pentecost on the last Sunday of this month, and what a great time to read about our unity in diversity than during the liturgical season when we celebrate just that! Here is a brief description of *The Beautiful Community*:



“In *The Beautiful Community*, pastor and theologian Irwyn Ince boldly unpacks the reasons for our divisions while gently guiding us toward our true hope for wholeness and reconciliation. God reveals himself to us in his trinitarian life as the perfection of beauty, and essential to this beauty is his work as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. The gospel imperative to pursue the beautiful community—unity in diversity across lines of difference—is rooted in reflecting the beautiful community of our triune God. This book calls us into and provides tools for that pursuit.”



Celebrate Our Youth!

On Sunday, May 14th, during the 10:30 service, we will honor the very special young people in our congregation. Members of our youth group, C.O.R.Y., will serve as ushers, acolytes and lectors. During the announcements, Mary Balfour will present our high school seniors with a graduation gift from the congregation. We hope you'll make every effort to attend! Here is a little bit more about our graduates:



Eric Gonzales

Eric is graduating from Greenwood High School. He has been accepted to Lander University and plans to major in education or history. His present goal is to teach history, specifically Anglo-Saxon history, at University level. He currently works at Moe's in Greenwood where he was just recently promoted to shift lead. He enjoys photography, working out, and spending time with friends/family.

Drew Hodges

Drew is the son of Andrew and Dawn Puderbaugh Hodges. He is graduating from Emerald High and is a National Merit Finalist, AP Scholar with distinction, Kiwanis Star Student and college board Rural and Small Town Recognition Award winner! Drew will attend Clemson University to study physics.



Preston Turner

Preston is the son of Pres and Callie Turner. He is graduating from Cambridge Academy in May. He plans to attend Wofford College and will pursue medical school!



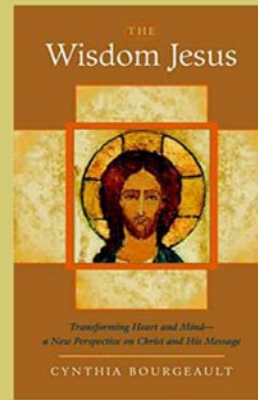
Anna Wiseman

Anna is the daughter of John and Kelly Wiseman. She is graduating from Greenwood High School as one of the top ten of her class and earned a Palmetto fellowship. She will attend Auburn University to study business.



Upcoming Events and Opportunities for Ministry

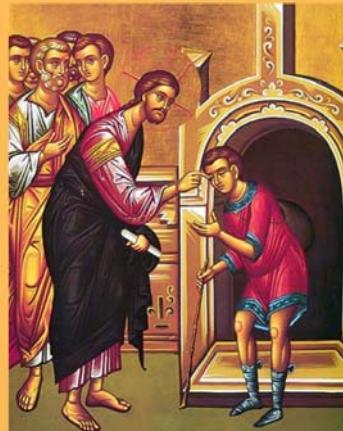
Sunday Morning Formation



A study of *The Wisdom Jesus* by Cynthia Bourgeault

Sundays at 9:30 in Emmaus Hall
April 23, 30
May 7, 14 and 21

Cynthia Bourgeault is a modern day mystic, Episcopal priest, writer, and internationally acclaimed retreat leader. Her book, *The Wisdom Jesus*, invites readers to see Jesus "foremost as a teacher of the path of inner transformation", belonging "to a stream of living wisdom." In our formation time, we'll share our thoughts on Rev. Bourgeault's book and forms of contemplative prayer.



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 3, 2023

Resurrection Roots

If you're too old for C.O.R.Y.
and too young for
Primetimers, this group is
for you!



Meet at Good Times Brewing
Thursday, May 4, at 7 PM

Brand new to our parish, this group is designed for
parishioners and friends ages 21-59. Grow in your
faith, find friends, and have some fun! Here's a
sneak peak of this summer:
Launching an Instagram Page
Holding a fun Progressive Dinner
Volunteering in the community on Saturdays
Interacting with C.O.R.Y. to mentor youth on Sunday
evenings

Want more information or want to get involved
in organizing some of our plans for 2023?
Contact Laura Beth Brooks at 864-992-9658 or
laura.brooks212@gmail.com



C.O.R.Y. SUMMER EVENTS DON'T MISS IT!

MAY 7 - TACO TRUCK WITH FIRST PRES, MAIN STREET
METHODIST AND FIRST BAPTIST
6-8 P.M. AT FIRST PRES

MAY 14 - SENIOR RECOGNITION DAY AND YOUTH
SUNDAY - 10:30

JUNE 24 - GRAB A BAG AND KEEP GREENWOOD
COUNTY BEAUTIFUL!
10-1 AT THE CHURCH, LUNCH PROVIDED

JUNE 25 - SOUP KITCHEN AT IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CHURCH, 9AM - 12 NOON

JULY 19 - WATER KICKBALL WITH SOUTH MAIN BAPTIST
(TIME TBD)

AUGUST 20 - LAKE DAY AT THE GRESHAMS
2 TO 6 PM

SEPTEMBER 10 - YOUTH GROUP RESUMES

WESLEY COMMONS



Holy Eucharist at
Wesley Commons

Tuesday, May 9
11:00 AM

Please join us!

Second Sunday

May 14, 2023



Supporting ...

Habitat for Humanity

Laundry Detergent
Hand Soap
Cleaning Supplies
Bathroom Tissue
Paper Towels
Powdered Creamer

Please place all donations
on the designated table in
the Gathering Space.



Monetary donations will be
accepted as well. Make
checks payable to Church
of the Resurrection but
write "Habitat" in the
memo line.

PRIMETIMERS' GATHERING

THURSDAY, MAY 18, 11:30

TOUR THE BEAUTIFUL GARDENS OF
MARY VAN AND PHIL ELLENBERG
MEET AT THEIR HOME
117 FRIENDFIELD LANE
RSVP TO LISA ANDERSON (864) 554-6407



**The First Annual Live Like Grey Scholarship Golf Tournament
July 15 @ the Links of Stoney Point**

Be a player, sponsor, or donor, and "Live Like Grey."

Dear Resurrection Friends:

We have just celebrated the Easter Season, a time for remembering how good triumphs over evil.

You may remember when I first wrote to you in the newsletter about my dear friend Grey Hamlett who was tragically killed in a drunk driving accident still under investigation (July 2022).

Grey's family has created a Piedmont Technical Scholarship in Grey's honor. This cause is deeply important to us for many reasons - to honor the life of our loved one Grey, to help other young people fulfill their dreams through the scholarship, to honor the lives of other people's loved ones who are now with us in spirit.

To raise money for the scholarship, please join us at The Links of Stoney Point Golf Course, July 15, for The First Annual Live Like Grey Golf Tournament. Please help us raise money for Grey's scholarship by playing in the tournament, by being a sponsor or donor, or by volunteering the gift of your time. Please see the registration form that outlines specific opportunities, and please call, text, or email me (Renee 864.396.3103 or creneelove@gmail.com) if you have any questions or ideas. I would love your input and help on our first annual Live Like Grey Golf Tournament.

All donations are tax deductible. Sponsors will be recognized on the website and at the tournament.

Thank you for your consideration to this cause that is near and dear to me and to all of us who knew and loved this precious soul. Remain blessed.

Registration forms for the Live Like Grey tournament can be found in the Gathering Space.

**Resurrection's New
Creation Care Team**



Please join us!

Our team will gather monthly for education, planning and coordinating our parish's effort to conserve the natural resources that God has so abundantly provided!

Contact Elizabeth Floyd for more information.
(205) 807-7293

**Join us to celebrate
Mitchell Felton's Ordination**

**June 3, 2023
11:00 am**



**Trinity
Cathedral**



Columbia, SC



Complete the Google form to reserve your spot on our bus!

Scan the QR Code to access the Google Reservation Form



Could you assist in the care of our youngest members?



We need nursery volunteers!



Serve once a quarter during the 10:30 worship service

Contact Elizabeth Floyd
(205) 807-7293

YOU ARE INVITED TO
THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION'S

PENTECOST PICNIC

May 28th after the 10:30 service

If your last name begins with:

A-G bring a dessert

H-R bring a veggie

S-Z bring a starch



The Presence Candle is given to the glory of God and in memory of Charlotte Perosino, in honor of Claudette McKinney, and recognition of all mothers from George and Sarah McKinney.

Parish Connections

Music	Donna Brooks 992-3738 dbrooksgwd@gmail.com
Altar Guild	Beverly Wilson 374-3507 bhallwilson@gmail.com
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Christian Formation	Elizabeth Floyd 223-5426 elizabeth@episcopalgreenwood.org
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Episcopal Church Women	Susu Wallace 229-5690 swbwallace@gmail.com
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Columbarium	Dean Faden dfaden@hotmail.com
CO3R Tutoring	Elizabeth Floyd 223-5426 elizabeth@episcopalgreenwood.org
Online Directory	Jo Ann Brewer 941-7199 joannbrewersc@gmail.com
Youth Group	Diana Carver 993-4665 Christine Crowder 941-6899

Altar Arrangements:

May 7 – The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Doris Clay by Evan Clay and in celebration of the blessing of the union of Marilyn Bennett and Billy DuPre.

May 14 – The altar flowers are given 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 their two granddaughters, Anna Ravenel Burns Padgett and Elizabeth Simons Lucas Padgett by Anna and James Padgett, Jr.

May 21 – The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for our acolytes, their parents and the acolyte leaders.

May 28 - The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Arch and Cass Booker by the families of Archer Booker, Jr. and Hollie Booker Millner.

RESURRECTION CELEBRATES WITH YOU

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

Your prayers are asked for these members of our parish and members of our immediate families: Bill Arnold, Audine Bergman, Karen Bright, Jim Bright, Larry Carson, Paul Criswell, Carol Dean, Bob de Guzman, Albert Faden, Mary Joe Ferguson, Jim Gobble, Nan Hines, Diane Lawson, Mary Jane Mobley, Bette Murray, Erich Normandia, Bette and Burl Ricker, Domer Ridings, Greg and Ross Ann Steifle, Mary Jo Tolbert, Carol Wynne, Linda Criswell (Paul Criswell's sister), Riley Gillam (Sandy and Chuck Gresham's niece), Joan Grist (Ken Headley-Downs' cousin), Cheri Hutchison (Jo Ann and Bob Brewer's daughter), Ian Kelso (Karen Bright's brother), Jeanette Little (Adrian Little's mom), Carol Myers (Leslie Brooks McDonnell, Gerald Brooks, and Laura Shealy's aunt), Carol Ann Pry (Susie Hinkel's niece), Mason Shirley, Doris Snelling (Donna Brooks' mother), and Stacey Spillum (Jo Ann Brewer's niece).

And for these persons: Rodney Cleveland, Vicki Hart (friend of the Brewers), Melody Johnson (Renee Love's friend)

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 generosity, which makes the ministry of Resurrection possible!

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
Month as of 4/18/23	\$28,415	\$34,530	\$1,072	\$1,458	\$7,074	\$35,778
Year as of 4/18/23	\$162,560	\$139,120	\$5,822	\$5,783	\$129,664	\$155,864