



**KELLER BRASS** ~ **March** (*Julius Caesar*), *Handel (arr. King)*, **On Wings of Song**, *Mendelssohn (arr. Kelly)*, **Jesus Christ is Risen Today** (*arr. Smith*), **March**, *Mendelssohn (arr. Marcellus)*, **Hosanna**, **Loud Hosanna** (*arr. Smith*), **Crown Him with Many Crowns** (*arr. White*), **Thine Be the Glory**, *Handel (arr. Kelly)* **Michael Barkett & Brandon Cave**, *trumpet*; **Ken Keller & Greg Lopes**, *euphonium*

**LET US WORSHIP** (all read the bold)

Whom do you seek in the tomb, O followers of Christ?

**Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified.**

He is not here! He is risen, as he said.

**Rejoice, heavenly choirs of angels!**

Rejoice, all creation around God's throne!

**Sound the trumpet of salvation; Jesus Christ is risen!**

\***HYMN 232** "JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY" (stand in body or spirit & sing)

\***PSALM 118** (all read the bold)

O give thanks to the Lord for he is good; his steadfast love endures forever!

**Open to me the gates of righteousness,  
that I may enter, and give thanks to the Lord.**

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes!

**This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice & be glad in it!**

\***Share the Peace of the Risen Christ with those around you**

~ Children's time with the Pastor ~

**Wycliffe**

April 5, 2026

Rev. Dr. Garrett Bugg, pastor

Rev. Dr. Lyndsey McCall-Gilliam, associate

**Hear these words from the prophet Isaiah (25:6-8)**



*On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food and well-aged wines. And he will destroy the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; and he will swallow up death forever.*

*Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken.*

**“Christ is the World’s Light”**

*K. Lee Scott*

*Christ is the world’s light, Christ and none other.*

*Born in our darkness, he became our brother.*

*If we have seen him, we have seen the Father,*

*Glory to God on high!*

**A TIME OF CONFESSION** *(all read the bold)*

*In the nighttime of our sin, the grace of God rises like the dawn.*

*In the coldness of our hearts, hope rises like the sun.*

*From all that oppresses,*

**set us free!**

*From the wounds that paralyze us*

*and the sorrow that will not heal,*

**set us free!**

*From the tyranny of our fears, the grip of envy and shame,*

**set us free!**

*God of life and light,*

**grant us your grace.**

**THE ASSURANCE OF GOD’S GRACE & PARDON . . . And all say: **Thanks be to God.****

**“This Joyful Eastertide”** *arr. Michael McDonough*

*This joyful Eastertide away with sin and sorrow!*

*My love, the Crucified, has sprung to life this morrow.*

*Had Christ, who once was slain, not burst his three-day prison,*

*our faith had been in vain: but now hath Christ arisen,*

*arisen, arisen; but now has Christ arisen!*



*Matthew 28:1-10*  
**THE WORD OF GOD IS OPENED TO US**  
*Rev. Dr. Garrett Bugg*



**HYMN 231 “CHRIST HAS RISEN WHILE EARTH SLUMBERS”**  
*(remain seated & sing v. 2 & 3; soloist sings v.1)*

**A PREPARATION FOR PRAYER** *(all read the bold)*

*Jesus Christ, by your mercy that loved those whose eyes were closed to you,*  
**be merciful to those who are slow to believe.**

*By the compassion that led you to seek out those who were sad,*  
**console those who are not yet ready to rejoice.**

*By the blessing in which you made yourself known  
to the disciples in the breaking of bread,*  
**open our eyes to see your every act as a sacrament.**

**The Pastor’s Prayer** followed by **The Lord’s Prayer** *(screen)*

**THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

*Today, darkness breaks into glorious light and strangers gather as family.  
And to the feast table of God, we come as Christ’s invited friends,  
chosen and beloved.*

*This is the table, not of the Church, but of the Lord;  
made ready for those who love him and who want to love him more.*



*The Lord be with you* **And also with you.**  
*Lift you your hearts.* **We lift them to the Lord.**  
*Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.*  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*(The Great Thanksgiving continues ~*



*On this day of joy and hope, we sing your praise, O God,  
for very early in the morning your Word shattered  
the silence of chaos, and grace flowed forth like a river.*

*Though we may not hear them, the valleys  
sing for joy and hills skip like lambs.  
All creation daily performs a symphony for your delight.  
And we, also the work of your hand,  
are caught up in this universal anthem.*

*So with people in every land and language,  
with those who once sat beside us  
and now are guests at your heavenly banquet,  
and with the angels and saints who cannot keep silent, we sing*

**Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name,  
in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy; there is none beside thee.  
God, in three persons, blessed Trinity!**

*Born into obscurity, baptized into solidarity  
with all who yearn for a better world,  
touching those whose diseases might contaminate,  
dining with those whose company might discredit,  
identifying the uniqueness in all who were ordinary,  
transforming dead tradition into living faith,  
and then denied by those who followed him, crucified by those who feared him,  
dead, buried, consigned to hell until heaven required his resurrection,  
he arose to redeem all that were ruined; flesh of our flesh, bone of our bone,  
it is him we praise, whose name is Jesus.*

*Therefore, we join our voices with those who stood at the empty tomb,  
as well as those of every time and place,  
singing our Easter joy:*

**Then sings my soul, my Savior God to Thee; how great Thou art! How great Thou art!  
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#### **THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED**

*Please come to the front at the direction of the ushers  
to partake of the elements as you receive them  
(gluten-free bread is available),  
then discard the cup in the receptacles  
at the ends of both front pews  
as you return to your seat.*

*If you need to receive the bread & cup in your seat,  
let the usher know & the pastor will come to you.*



Sing the refrain at the direction of the soloist ~

Refrain

All

A E A D E

"And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,

A D Esus E7 A

and I will raise you up on the last day."

**WE AFFIRM OUR FAITH IN THE RISEN CHRIST** (all read the bold)

*The angry mob has become dust,  
and even the mighty empire has vanished,  
but the Loving One lives on for Love is stronger than evil.*

**As Christ's followers, we devote ourselves  
to lives of love and service,  
rejoicing in the power of forgiveness,  
the reality of the resurrection,  
and the mystery of eternal life.**

**\*HYMN 248** "CHRIST IS RISEN! SHOUT HOSANNA!" (stand in body or spirit & sing)

**\*THE BENEDICTION**



*Giving is a natural overflow of a heart  
that is grateful for Jesus, who gave everything for us.  
A basket is available on the table as you leave the sanctuary  
for contributions of checks or cash.*

*A secure link for electronic giving is available on the church's website at  
[www.wycliffepresbyterian.org](http://www.wycliffepresbyterian.org)*



Flowers have been placed in the church today by the following ~



**Robin & Barry LaVigne**

*In loving memory of their parents and  
celebration of their grandchildren*

**Cindy & Michael Sweezy**

*In honor of their children and  
grandchildren*

**Ashley DeLalla**

*In memory of Ann Marie deLalla*

**Amelia Moore**

*In honor of their parents*

**Robert Prestridge**

*In loving memory of Bonnie*

**Wendy Lewis**

*In honor of her son, Fielding, who was born  
30 years ago on Easter Sunday!*

**Keith and Larene Hudgins**

**Margaret Felts**

*In loving memory of her parents,  
grandparents, and sister*

**Joseph and Carolyn Dearing**

*In loving memory of parents Joe & Irene*

**Peter Bulkeley**

*In loving memory of his brother John*

**Chuck Steenburgh**

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**Pastor Garrett Bugg and Ali Bugg**

**Ken Marinak**

*In loving memory of his  
parents*

Give hope this spring!  
Give blood. @ Wycliffe

 American Red Cross

April 6 | 1:00-6:00 pm [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)



# Get Active with Wycliffe

## Coming Up ~

**Monday, April 6** ~ *The church office is closed  
(but the fellowship hall is open from 1-6pm for the American Red Cross  
Blood Drive.)*

**Thursday, April 9** ~ *Ladies' Bible Study*

**Sunday, April 19** (after worship) ~ *Church Photo taken*

**Tuesday, April 21** (3:30pm) *Grief Support Group (room 207)*

**Tuesday April 21** (12 noon) *Ladies Lunch Out at Jose Tequilas (Shore Drive)*

**Sunday, April 26** (following worship) *Wycliffe Talent Show*

**Monday, April 27** (6:30-8:30pm) *Ladies Bunco at Wanda Hudgins' (310 24th)*

## And every Sunday

**Worship at 10:00am** (*nursery available*)

**Children's Sunday School**

(*during the worship hour, 10:10am, following  
"Children's Time with the Pastors"*)

**Adult Sunday School ~ 9:00am** (*nursery available*)

**Choir Rehearsal ~ 9:30am Sundays** (*nursery available*)

**Youth Sunday School ~ 11:00am Sundays** immediately after worship

**Music-Makers 11-11:20am Sundays** (1st-5th grade) *singing & instruments ~  
while parents enjoy coffee & conversation in the fellowship hall*





*Today we welcome guest instrumentalists ~*

**Michael Barkett & Brandon Cave**, trumpet;  
**Ken Keller & Greg Lopes**, euphonium

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*Those who contributed a flower to today's worship are welcomed to take it home after the service.*

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### **Coming up at Wycliffe ~**

**Founders Day! Lunch and Family Photo - April 19 ( 11am)**

**Clean the Bay Day - May 2 (8:30am-12 noon)**

**VBS: Paul and the Underground Church - August 3-6** at Lynnhaven Colony

Congregational Church & Virginia Beach Christian

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### **Ongoing ~**

**Beach Bags for Food Insecure** Wycliffe supports local students who are food-insecure through the school Social Workers. Pick up a 'grocery list' on the credenza in the narthex, or visit the Opportunities/Events page of the church website. Fill a complete bag, contribute specific items, or donate cash & we'll do the shopping!

**Beyond Our Walls** In addition to food, many area students are in need of school supplies as well as emergency hygiene products. Please visit the bulletin board in the hallway near the fellowship hall for particular items the school's Social Workers have requested.

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**Wycliffe's Session Elders** Lisa Sowell, Clerk; Patrick Blake, Jean Holcombe (Christian Service & Mission); Stephanie Harron & Joan Horton (Christian Education);

Linda Wahab & Bill Ayres (Fellowship); Jodi Rossman & Mardee Schaumloffel (Outreach & Member Care); Kelley Gangwer & Margaret Felts (Worship); Ken Marinak & Mark Via (Facilities); Dan deLalla (Planning & Review); Don McNeill & Chris Lemmon (Administration, Stewardship & Finance).

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