

Sermon Notes

‘The Christ Who Saves, Lives, Reigns ...’

Scripture Reading: Acts 1:1-11, 2:23-24 & 29-33
(#3 of 3 sermons)

Previous two Sundays: ‘The Lord Who Saves’, Christ’s Atoning Death
and ‘The Lord Who Lives’, Christ’s Bodily Resurrection

From the triumphal entry thru His death and burial: Christ’s plan and what we learn from His fulfillment of it in His commitment, compassion, agonizing cry, and completion of obedience to His and His Father’s plan. In His resurrection He Lives! And the truth was witnessed, it matters, it brings hope, and it compels our testimony of the One whose atoning death saves and whose resurrection assures the salvation of those who look to Him in faith ...

Today: ‘The Lord Who Reigns’ - Christ’s Ascension, Seating,
and Promised Return

* After Christ’s atoning death, burial, and resurrection there is much more

* The ascended Christ ...

* The Christ who is seated at the right hand of the Father ...

* The Christ who is yet to come again in His glory... !

Next Sunday Chris Conger will be preaching as a follow up of his recent sermon from I Peter 4 and Pastor Evans will lead the early part of the service.

Weekly or Monthly Reminders

Birthdays & Anniversaries. Happy birthday to Luke Clark.
(If we missed your special day please let us know!)

‘TableTalk’ devotional magazine for April is on the front and back hall tables. There is also a special issue of TT remembering and celebrating the life of Dr. R.C. Sproul.

Flowers in the Sanctuary: If you wish to have flowers placed in the sanctuary on a particular Sunday (birthday, anniversary, memory of loved one, etc.) please see or call Merle at 670-5733.

Financial snapshot: January-March 2018 (1st quarter)

Budget (3 months) \$35,562

Actual expenses \$29,862

Actual income \$29,163

Actual + or - = - \$699 (expenses to income)

Carteret Church Plant: \$2,400 (\$800 month - separate gift)

**When you have questions, concerns, or need assistance
please call one of the elders or deacons:**

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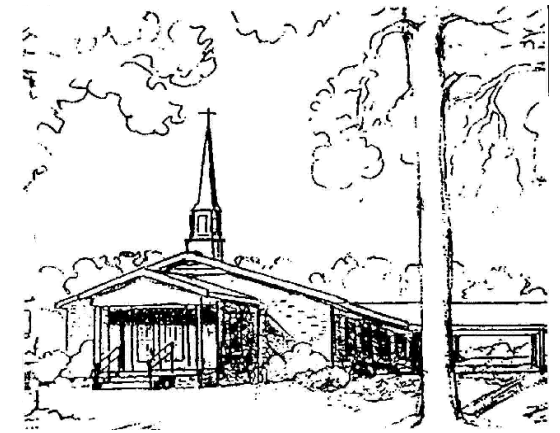
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Village Chapel Presbyterian Church

**Bulletin for Sunday, April 8
and for the week of April 8-14, 2018**



*A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America
focused on worshiping God, caring for one another,
and proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ to all men.*

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Sunday Morning Worship of the Lord our God

Preparing for worship in silent prayer as the music begins
Announcements and welcome 10:30 am

The Call to Worship

***Singing of Praise to the Lord Our God**

‘Alleluia, Alleluia ...’ Trinity #283
‘10,000 Reasons...’ Insert

Profession of our Faith WCF Chapter 8, #4, Trinity p. 853

Confession of Sin

Assurance of God’s Pardon

Giving of the Tithe and Offering

***Doxology** Trinity #731
“Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Thanksgiving, Supplication, & the Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Preparation for God’s Word Proclaimed

Introduction to the text and sermon
‘All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name...’ Trinity #296/297
Prayer for Understanding

The Reading of God’s Word Acts 1:1-11, 2:23-24 & 29-33

The Proclamation of God’s Word Pastor Evans
‘The Christ Who Saves, Lives, and Reigns ...’ (See ‘Sermon Notes’)

***Hymn of Response**

‘Come, Christians, Join to Sing ...’ Trinity #302

***Serving the Lord as We Depart ... and the Benediction**

***Gloria Patri**

“Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

* Standing if able

If you are visiting *Village Chapel Presbyterian Church* today we welcome you. It is our great joy each Sunday to worship the Lord our God together and during the week to serve Him individually and in various activities and ministries together. We invite you to join with us in other worship, fellowship, and ministry opportunities listed in the bulletin. Please feel free to call if we may answer any questions you may have or be of help to you in any way.

The Village Chapel Calendar

This Week:

Sunday: 9:30 am Sunday School classes
10:30 am Announcements / Morning Worship
(Nursery provided for children under 6)

Wednesday: 6:30 pm Worship in the sanctuary, continuing in John 14.

Looking ahead in April:

* 3rd Wednesday (18th) supper and mission’s focus will be through a personal testimony by Meredith Clark as she has been working as a volunteer at EPIC here in New Bern.

Announcements

Several weeks ago Chris Conger preached a sermon from I Peter 4, summarized in saying ‘The life to which Christ calls every Christian is understood in prayer, sustained in prayer, and accomplished through prayer.’ There was much more to be said and next Sunday and on the 29th (and in May also) Chris will continue to open up to us what he began in that first sermon. So the role will be reversed, with Pastor Evans leading the early part of the service and Chris proclaiming God’s Word.

Dr. R. C. Sproul is now home with the Lord he has loved and served through Ligonier ministries for decades. A special issue of ‘TableTalk’, on the hall table, remembers and celebrates his life. Please pick up a copy as you leave today.

Continually In Prayer:

In the praise of God for Who He is:

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In thanks to God for His abundant provision in life:

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In confession of our sins, seeking God’s forgiveness and the power of His Spirit in us for repentance:

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For One Another:

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For Ministries In the Work of Christ

This week we ask you to continue for another week to pray for the PCA churches in our presbytery across Eastern NC. The Eastern Carolina Presbytery (ECP) extends from Durham to Wilmington with 24 churches and church plants, 62 ministers (37 in churches, 5 RUF, 9 as professors, missionaries, chaplains, etc., 4 honorably retired, and 9 without call), 10 minister candidates and licentiates, and 4,000+ members. There are 7 churches in the Raleigh area, 2 in Durham, 2 in the Chapel Hill area, and one each in Goldsboro, Garner, Greenville, New Bern, Cameron, Cary, Wilmington, Jacksonville, Oriental, Fuquay Varina, Chocowinity, Fremont, and Wilson in addition to the 7 RUF ministries. The geographically closest churches to us would be in Jacksonville (Harvest PCA with pastor Grant Beachy, wife Sara), in Chocowinity (Wayside PCA with pastor Ola Forbes, wife Gloria), and in Oriental (Pamlico PCA with pastor Adam Christiansen, wife Mary Kathryn).