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This Sunday's Worship



[Matthew 21:1-11](#)

"The Ground of Glory"

Gordon Turnbull

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**There will be no Wednesday Night activities this
week due to Holy Week.**

Holy Week Schedule

Sunday, April 9 - Palm Sunday
Regular worship services

Thursday, April 13 - Maundy Thursday
Worship at 7:00 PM

Friday, April 14 - Good Friday
Worship at 7:00 PM

Sunday, April 16 - Easter Sunday
Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM -Community Service at
First Christian Church for the three churches on
Shannon Drive. Breakfast will follow this special
service. Join us for our 8:45 or 11:00 AM service.
Please note that the 8:45 service will be in the
Sanctuary for Easter morning only, following
the same early service format. Be sure to bring fresh
cut flowers with you to both services this special day.
The Easter Cross outside the Sanctuary will again be
transformed into a beautiful symbol of our faith.



Easter Lily Flower Fund

If you are interested in giving an Easter Lily in honor or memory of someone, please click the link below. You may print the form and turn it in through the offering plate or to the church office.

[Reserve your flower today!](#)



Children's Ministry News

Palm Sunday –April 9

Our children have two exciting things happening this Sunday! At both morning services, they will be processing into the church waving palm branches and singing. They have been practicing so you won't want to miss it! That afternoon, all of our children are invited to the annual Easter Egg Hunt hosted by our John Knox Youth. The Easter Egg Hunt will be held from 4:00 – 5:30 right outside of the church gym. We will have face painting and fun activities, as well as some Easter treats and story time. And, of course, there will be the big egg hunt and a visit from the Easter bunny! Remember to bring your Easter baskets!



Sunday School

A reminder that we will be taking a break from our *Jesus Storybook Bible* lessons for the next two weeks to celebrate Palm Sunday and Easter. We will return to our *Jesus Storybook Bible* on April 23 with the story "The Teeny, Weenie... True King."



Our dates for VBS 2017 will be Sunday, June 25 through Wednesday, June 28. All children who have completed K4 – 5th grades are invited to come to HERO CENTRAL where they will discover their strength in God through Bible stories, music, art activities, science experiments, recreation and snacks! Our kick-off day will be Sunday afternoon from 5:30 – 7:30 with a family dinner following from 7:30-8:00. Monday through Wednesday, our children will have VBS activities each day from 5:30 – 8:00. The children will be served a small evening meal during their snack time each day. We will need lots of volunteers to help make this a great week for our kids, so please think about how you might help. Contact Susan Felton to volunteer!! Please put these dates and times on your calendars and plan to join us for a great week! Registration will start soon!



Youth News

Easter Egg Hunt

All youth will be hosting the annual Easter Egg Hunt for our younger children on Palm Sunday, April 9. Please meet in the Youth Center at 3:00 to help hide eggs and get ready for our young guests. This will be our youth activity for the day, so we will not have regular youth group that evening.



Summer Youth Trips

Senior High Mission Trip to Mobile, Alabama – June 17-23- We will have a parent meeting on Sunday, April 23 at 12:15 in the Youth Center for those youth signed up for this trip. Important trip information will be discussed, and all necessary forms will be filled out and turned in. Forms will be sent to parents prior to the meeting. Please make plans to be here!

Junior High Mission Trip to Thornwell Home for Children – August 6 –10 - Please start letting us know if your Junior High will be able to join us on this trip. Please contact Susan Felton. More details to come!



Young at Hearts (YAHs)

This is your opportunity to take a private tour of the visionary Governor's School for the Arts, just as entrepreneur Mark Zuckerberg, Facebook's CEO did a few weeks ago. The school accepts artistically talented high school students from all over SC. We will meet at the school located at 15 University St. behind City Square April 18th at 10:45 AM. Lunch will be served in the cafeteria after the tour for \$6.25 including the cost of the drinks. For Reservations call: JoAnn 268-6822 Bessie 233-5518 or LaRue 675-6172

Church Picnic May 7

John Knox Annual PICNIC
After the worship service on Sunday, May 7!
Fun, Food and Fellowship for all ages!
Wear your "Picnic Best" to church and be ready to enjoy!

Caterer: Bald Hawg BBQ
DJ: Our own Patrick Rogers
Games and a bouncy house.
We're asking you to please bring a dessert.

Come one, come all...rain or shine!
The picnic will be in front of the Chapel. If it rains, we'll move to the Fellowship Hall.

Reservation cards will be in the pews on April 16, 23, 30.



Clerk's Report

The Session of John Knox Presbyterian Church met on Sunday, March 19, 2017 in the Kirk Room for their regular monthly meeting. The following are some of the items discussed:

- The Session has received the resignation of Laurie Davis as the K/G Director. Dr. Turnbull is working with the Admin. Committee and the K/G Board.
- The interview group (discernment) for the new K/G Director will consist of 3 members of the K/G Board and 3 folks from CE and staff.
- Several CE members will be attending the Safe Sanctuaries training at Central Presbyterian Church in Anderson.
- Rick Thatcher said that they need to have the new coordinator for GAIHN in place as soon as possible. Our next week to be the host is May 14.
- The Habitat Build will be on April 6th. Please turn volunteer names into Bill Mathews as soon as possible.
- There will be an informational meeting on the Guatemala trip on March 26th.
- There will be a New/Prospective Member brunch on April 2nd.
- Evangelism is forming a planning team for a new directory.
- They are gathering more information on the website and problems with the hosting site.
- Stevie Greene is working on a leave-behind message for the bread ministry when visitors are not home.
- Fellowship is reviewing WNL attendance compared to the guaranteed minimum for the caterer.
- Chris is working on getting Sunday School classes to rotate for Coffee Service prep and cleanup.
- Mary Stall is heading up the Church Picnic, which will be on May 7th.
- Since Christmas Eve is on a Sunday this year, the Session has decided not to have a Christmas Eve Dinner.
- The Session approved combined services for May 7 (Church Picnic), August 20 (Rally Day) and November 5 (Homecoming).
- Nurture is planning on a memory loss and aging program for the fall.
- In-Home Communion training is in the works.
- Nurture is planning on WNL Dinner Ministry to start in the fall. They are looking for volunteers to deliver them meals.
- The spring work day is scheduled for March 25th. All are encouraged to come.
- Caleb was praised for the great job he is doing with the lighting change-out.
- P&O is developing a wish list of projects for the next three years.
- The problems with the sound system in the Chapel seem to have been corrected after the replacement of a cable.
- Dr. Turnbull reviewed the Maundy Thursday Communion and Foot Washing procedures. In addition, he reminded folks that there would be a Good Friday service in the Sanctuary at 7 PM.
- Dr. Turnbull discussed the Sunrise Service on Easter morning. It will begin at 7 AM at First Christian Church, followed by breakfast at Aldersgate UMC.
- Jean Baiden and Steve Meggs served as our two Commissioners to the February 21st meeting of Foothills Presbytery.
- The Session approved four Ruling Elders to examine the Confirmation Class in April and report their readiness at the next Stated Meeting. The four approved are Jim Barnett, Jon Nelson, Sandra Moore, and Anna Cain.
- The Session voted to form a new Congregational Nominating Committee. Jennifer Littrell and Anna Cain volunteered as the two active Ruling Elders on the CNC.

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, April 10

7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast

Tuesday, April 11

10:00 AM Quilters
10:30 Sarah Cirde
12:00 PM Monthly Men's Lunch
1:30 Lydia Cirde
6:30 Martha Cirde
7:00 Volleyball
Boy Scouts

Wednesday, April 12

10:30 AM Staff Meeting
5:30 PM Stephen Ministry Mtg
6:15 Bell Choir Practice
7:00 Chalice Choir Practice
7:30 Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, April 13

10:00 AM Ladies' Bible Study
7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 14

Church Office Closed
7:00 PM Good Friday Service

Saturday, April 15

5:00 PM Chin Church Gathering

Sunday, April 16

7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Service
(First Christian Church)
8:45 AM Worship in Sanctuary
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Worship in Sanctuary
1:30 PM Chin Church Worship

Ushering Schedule for April

8:45
Jim Barnett

11:00
Head Usher - Dan Drew
Leaders - Jean Baiden, Nancy Grigsby

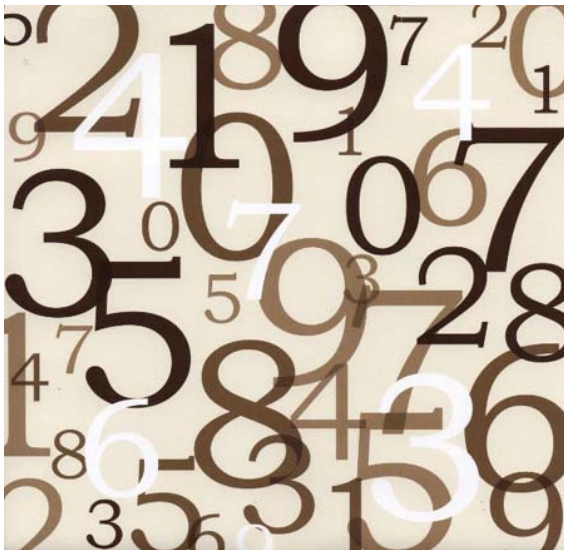


Ushers

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

April

- 6 - Josh Ballard
- 7 - Ben Stokes, Grayson Ward
- 8 - Phil Brandon, Drake Ambrose
- 9 - Roger Colville, Emily Kramer
- 10 - Daniel Drew
- 11 - Virginia Dennis, Anna Kate Weekes
- 12 - Barbara Toothman, Natalie Heidrich, Trisha Zoha



By the Numbers

Attendance on April 2:
8:45 - 82
11:00 - 219

Weekly Offering Received: \$46,710.35
Weekly Budgeted Offering: \$16,336.85
YTD Offering Received: \$251,174.42
YTD Budgeted Offering: \$228,715.90

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