

Three chimes, for the Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
signal the end of our worship and call us forth into a new week of service.

POSTLUDE

Allegro

Walther

***Please stand as you are able.**

We Welcome You in the Name of Christ - We especially welcome all our guests, and ask that you fill out the Ritual of Friendship pad you will find in the pew. We are a fellowship of prayer, worship, and service to a loving God. If you are looking for a church home, we would be delighted for you to consider membership in Clemmons Presbyterian Church. Information about us is found at the Visitors table in the Narthex or at our website.

To share a prayer request, please use the cards in the pew racks and place the card in the offering. It will be taken to the minister and shared in today's prayers.

Church Session

Class of 2018

Class of 2019

Class of 2020

Mitchell Brown – Administrative
Diane Hightower – Mission
Stephen Klinger – Christian Ed.
Gail Sharpe – Worship
Beth Maclin – Congregational Care

Rebecca Boyd – Personnel
Brad Campbell – Property
Barbara Evans – Youth
John Rhyne – Finance
Tom Sheehan – Fellowship

Dan Zacharias – Administrative
David Hedrick – Mission
Kirkie Blackwood – Christian Ed.
Bev Sanford – Worship
Anne Welch – Congregational Care

Mary McElwee - Clerk

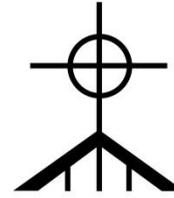
Dr. William Hoyle - Moderator

Rev. Patrick McElwaine - Associate Pastor

*Invite a friend or new neighbor to worship with you next Sunday
as we extend the love of God and the welcome that we receive in Jesus Christ!*

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**Large-print hymnals, Bibles and hearing devices, as well as information about childcare
are available from any usher.**



Clemmons Presbyterian Church

10:45 am Worship Service

April 15, 2018

A warm welcome is extended to all who worship here today.

PRELUDE

Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above

arr. Hopson

WELCOME AND THE RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

William Hoyle

*Everyone is encouraged to sign, date, and pass the pew pad down your row,
noting your neighbors upon its return*

INTROIT

The Lord is My Shepherd

Pote

Youth Choir

*The Lord is my shepherd, nothing shall I want.
My shepherd makes me lie in fields of green,
Leads me beside still waters.*

*The Lord is my shepherd, who restores my life.
Leads me in the paths of righteousness
For the sake of the Lord's name.*

*And even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me, your rod and staff will comfort me.*

*You prepare a table before me, in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil, my cup overflows.*

*Surely goodness and mercy, shall follow me all the days of my life,
And in the house of my God I will live forever.*

We Gather Around The Word,

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 24

Leader: The earth is the Lord's, and all that is in it,

People: The world, and those who live in it.

Leader: Praise the Lord

People: The Lord's name be praised, now and forevermore.

*HYMN #246

Christ Is Alive!

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought,
word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We**

have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Lord, hear our prayers

TIME FOR SILENT PRAYER AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*HYMN #581

Glory Be to the Father

to Hear God's Word,

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (Unison)

Lector: Cyndy Hartsfield

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalms 4

Pew Bible OT Page 464, Red Bible Page 480

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

ANTHEM

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr. Nix

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.*

*We are Thine; do Thou befriend us, be the Guardian of our way;
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear, O hear us when we pray.*

*Early let us seek Thy favor; early let us do Thy will;
Blessed Lord and only Savior, with Thy love our beings fill:
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still;
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast loved us, love us still.*

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 24:36-48

Pew Bible NT Page 85, Red Bible Page 965

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Patrick McElwaine

*HYMN #254

That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright

Children ages 4 years old to 2nd grade are invited to meet Godly Play leaders in the Narthex during the hymn.

SERMON

“You Are Witnesses”

William Hoyle

to Respond to the Word,

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (Unison)

- from *A Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)*

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

The Lord Is My Shepherd

Held

*DOXOLOGY #606

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and THE LORD'S PRAYER (...debts/debtors...) Hymnal Page 35

and to be Sent with the Word.

*HYMN #37

Let All Things Now Living

*BENEDICTION

*THE CHIMES