

Reaching Pastor Randy or Wife, Cathy
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Events / News / Announcements

March

- 27 - Choir Practice 5:30pm, **No Bible Study**
- 28 - Maundy Thursday Service 7pm.
- 30 - Egg Extravaganza 11am - 1pm.
- 31 - Resurrection Sunday - Sunrise Service **7:30am**, Breakfast **8:00am**, Sunday School **9am**, Worship Service **10am**.

April

- 03 - Choir Practice 5:30pm, Bible Study 6:30pm
- 10 - Choir Practice 5:30pm, Bible Study 6:30
- 13 - Prayer Breakfast 8:30am, MMM & MWM 9:30am

March through April - Women's Ministry ***"Bakeless Bake Sale."***

RHM - Please remember to help as you are able with donations to Rowan Helping Ministries and One Church One Child. Non-perishable donations should be in cans, boxes or plastic containers...no glass please
One Church One Child's list of needs are on the bulletin board downstairs. For more info please see Susan Triplett.

Candy donations for the Egg Extravaganza would be greatly appreciated.
(no peanut products please)

2024 Annual Budget \$164,065.00
General Tithes/Offerings Last week \$3,500.00 YTD \$44,847.45

Welcome to Maupin Avenue *Presbyterian Church* **maupin.church**

We are delighted you came to join us in worship this morning. We are happy to have you as our guest and hope you experience God's love and joy in a meaningful way as we worship together.

Please accept our sincere invitation to return. SS 9:45am, Worship 11am

You May Reach Us At

100 Maupin Avenue, Salisbury, NC 28144

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Organized February 21, 1926

Maupin Avenue Presbyterian Church

ASSOCIATE REFORMED
100 Maupin Avenue
Salisbury, North Carolina



Sunday Schedule

Sunday School 9:45am

Worship 11:00am

ENTER TO WORSHIP

SENT FORTH TO SERVE

**Palm Sunday
March 24, 2024**

Welcome/Announcements/Prayer Requests Pastor Randy Foster

Responsive Opening Prayer

Humble and riding on a donkey,

we greet you;

Acclaimed by crowds and caroled by children,

we cheer you;

moving from the peace of the countryside to the corridors of power,

We salute you: Christ our Lord.

You are giving the beast of burden

a new dignity;

you are giving majesty

a new face;

you are giving those who long for redemption

A new song to sing.

With them, with heart and voice, we shout:

Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

(from Common Order, Panel on Worship, Church of Scotland, 1994)

Responsive Praise and Call to Worship

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You.

In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new.

Hosanna, hosanna, You are the God Who saves us, worthy of all our praises. Hosanna, hosanna, come have Your way among us, we welcome You into our hearts with praise.

+Hymn of Adoration "All Glory, Laud and Honor" No. 235

+Prayer of Confession

O Lord, we have not longed for your coming and your kingdom as we ought. We have not denied ourselves, taken up the cross and followed you. We cling to the things of this world and counting them dear, we grow callous to needs of the poor and downtrodden, the lonely and the suffering. We do not cry out for justice as we should. A spirit of the gospel shared with the lost has not been our hearts intent. We have been silent when we could have spoken. Lord, forgive us for our offenses. Grant that by the power of your spirit we might live in light of your coming again. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Savior in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Children under 6 years may go to the Children's Nursery. After Children's Moment, children K-5th grade may go downstairs for Children's Church. *this refers to the realm of the dead, not the place of punishment. ** "catholic" means "universal" church, the true church in all times and places.*

+Words of Forgiveness

From Psalm 118:4-5,14,17

Let those who fear the Lord say, "His steadfast love endures forever." Out of my distress I called on the Lord; The Lord answered me and set me free. The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my salvation. I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.

All: In Christ, God answers us and sets us free! In Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks Be To God

+Professing Our Faith Together

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ His only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell*; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Anthem

"He Grew The Tree"

Choir

+Passing the Peace of Christ

Children's Presentation

Jill Peterson

Scripture Reading

Matthew 17:22-27

Morning Prayer/Lord's Prayer

WORSHIPPING THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS
Offertory Jill Peterson

***Doxology** "Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all Creatures here below. Praise Him above all heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost."

***Prayer of Dedication**

Sermon

"You Children of God Are Free"

+Closing Hymn

"O Worship the King"

No. 2

+Benediction

+Please Stand

The first of two yearly offerings that supports five Agencies of Synod will be taken today and Easter Sunday. The following agencies recognized are Bonclarken; the ARP Foundation; Erskine College; and World Witness. For more information on our church agencies please visit www.arpsynod.org

Today's Scripture

As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, “The Son of Man is about to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him, and he will be raised on the third day.” And they were greatly distressed.

When they came to Capernaum, the collectors of the two-drachma tax went up to Peter and said, “Does your teacher not pay the tax?” He said, “Yes.” And when he came into the house, Jesus spoke to him first, saying, “What do you think, Simon? From whom do kings of the earth take toll or tax? From their sons or from others?” And when he said, “From others,” Jesus said to him, “Then the sons are free. However, not to give offense to them, go to the sea and cast a hook and take the first fish that comes up, and when you open its mouth you will find a shekel. Take that and give it to them for me and for yourself.”

Matthew 17:22-27