

Myers Park  
United Methodist Church



*Three Marys* by Henry Ossawa Tanner

**A Service of Christian Worship**

April 21, 2019

8:30, 9:45 and 11:00 a.m.

**Easter Day**

**WE GATHER**

**Peeling of the Bells**

**Chiming of the Holy Trinity**

**Instrumental Introit**

“The Appian Way” from *Pines of Rome*

Ottorino Respighi

**Gospel Reading**

Luke 24:1-12

† **Call to Worship**

This is the day of the Lord; when tears are wiped away;

**When shattered hearts are mended;**

When fears are replaced with joy;

**When sin has lost its power and death is overcome!**

Sound the trumpet and let this place resound with joy!

**Christ is risen! Alleluia!**

† **Processional Hymn No. 302 (stanzas 1-4)**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

**Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!  
Earth and heaven in chorus say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing, ye heavens, and earth reply, Alleluia!**

**Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia!  
Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!  
Death in vain forbids him rise, Alleluia!  
Christ has opened paradise, Alleluia!**

**Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!  
Once he died our souls to save, Alleluia!  
Where's thy victory, boasting grave? Alleluia!**

**Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!  
Following our exalted Head, Alleluia!  
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!  
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!**

† **The Creed No. 881**

The Apostles' Creed

† **Musical Response No. 308 (stanza 1)**

Thine Be the Glory

JUDAS MACCABEUS

**Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death hast won.  
Angels in bright raiment rolled the stone away,  
kept the folded graveclothes where thy body lay.  
Thine be the glory, risen, conquering Son;  
endless is the victory thou o'er death has won.**

**Prayer of Confession**

**Almighty God,  
through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ,  
you overcame death and opened to us the gate of eternal life.  
Today, let us live as people of the Resurrection,  
raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit.  
Fill us with your healing love  
and help us to live as disciples of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

## Words of Assurance

...In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!  
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!**  
**Glory to God. Amen.**

## Anthem

O Clap Your Hands

John Rutter

O clap your hands together all ye people.  
O sing unto God with the voice of melody.  
For the Lord is high and to be feared:  
he is the great King upon all the earth.

He shall subdue the people under us  
and the nations under our feet.  
He shall choose out an heritage for us:  
even the worship of Jacob whom he loved.  
God is gone up with a merry noise:  
and the Lord with the sound of the trump.

O sing praises unto our God.  
O sing praises unto our King.  
For God is the King of all the earth.  
Sing ye praises with understanding.

## WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD

### Hymn of Preparation No. 162 (stanza 1)

Alleluia, Alleluia

ALLELUIA NO. 1

**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.**  
**Jesus is Lord of all the earth. He is the King of creation.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.**  
**Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.**

### Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 17-20

Reader: This is the Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

### Sermon

## **Prayers of the People**

*After each petition, we enter into the prayer together with these words:*

**Pastor:** Lord, in your mercy,

**People:** Hear our prayer.

## **The Lord's Prayer**

### **Offertory**

“Hallelujah: from *Mount of Olives*

L. von Beethoven

Hallelujah unto God's Almighty Son.

Praise the Lord, ye bright angelic choirs, in holy songs of joy.

Man, proclaim his grace and glory.

### † **Doxology**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;**

**Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

### † **Prayer of Dedication**

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

### † **Hymn**

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

**Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, risen now to reign in love.**

**Alleluia! Praise the Savior with the multitudes above.**

**There the songs of saints and martyrs**

**thunder like a mighty flood,**

**“Jesus out of every nation has redeemed us by His blood.”**

**Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now.**

**Alleluia! Christ is near us, faith believes, nor questions how.**

**Though the cloud from sight received Him**

**when the forty days were o'er**

**Shall our hearts forget His promise, “I am with you evermore”?**

**Alleluia! King eternal, Thee the Lord of lords we own;**

**Alleluia! Born of Mary, earth Thy footstool, Heav'n Thy throne:**

**Thou within the veil hast entered,**

**robed in flesh our great High Priest;**

**Thou on earth both priest and victim in the Eucharistic feast.**

† **Benediction**

† **Benediction Response**

Lift High the Cross

CRUCIFER

**Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore His sacred name.  
Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.  
The hosts of God in unity combine  
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
till all the world adore His sacred name.**

† **Closing Voluntary**

“Toccata” from *Symphony V*

Charles-Marie Widor

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† Stand as you are able

## **WORSHIP LEADERS**



### **PREACHER**

Dr. James C. Howell, Senior Pastor



### **LITURGIST**

Rev. Nancy Watson, Executive Pastor



### **LAY READER**

David Mayo



### **MUSICIANS**

James R. Jones, Director of Music and Organist  
Evan Wesley Currie, Music Associate and Organist  
Robert Moody, guest conductor  
*da Capo Brass*  
Chancel Choir



### **CRUCIFERS**

Matthew Buie (8:30), Cameron Fletcher (9:45), Trent Mulligan (11:00)



### **ACOLYTES**

David Buie and Emerson Smith (8:30)  
Lauren Fletcher and Alde Fletcher (9:45)  
Lucy Sauls and Quinn Sauls (11:00)



## BIBLE CARRIERS

David Rankin (8:30), Will Ricketts (9:45), Oates Howe (11:00)

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### *Welcome to Myers Park United Methodist Church*

**Happy Easter!** We are thankful you are here worshipping with us. Check out the *Guest Information* bookcases in the Sanctuary narthex or drop by the Lobby Welcome Center for resources so you can get to know us better. Also, be sure to see one of our Greeters – wearing bright green Welcome nametags – to get your first time visitor gift!

**Flowers on the Cross:** After worship, weather permitting, you are invited to fill the cross on the lawn with flowers. Photos are encouraged.

**Ride the Sunday Shuttle, 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.:** The shuttle runs continually between the church and Myers Park Traditional School at 2132 Radcliffe Avenue off Selwyn Avenue.

**Easter Offering:** Today's offering supports two ministry partners. QC Family Tree offers youth and community development work in the Enderly Park neighborhood of Charlotte. Faith Ministry works alongside neighbors in the border cities of Reynosa, Mexico and McAllen, Texas. Give online or write a check to the church with "Easter Offering" in the memo line.

**No Youth Group or Confirmation Tonight:** We will resume on April 28th.

**Wednesday Bible Study, weekly, 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m., Room 108:** Dr. Howell will explore *Moments In The Life Of Jesus*. Each week is an independent entity. Come when you can and bring a friend. To make child care reservations, email Lisa Ross-Smit at [lrsmit@mpumc.org](mailto:lrsmit@mpumc.org).

**Ruth Circle, April 24, 7:00 p.m.:** The Ruth Circle, a group of women with young children, invites you to join them in a 6-8 week small group Bible Study led by Pastor Uiyeon. For more information, please email Holly Wilson at [mpumcruthcircle@gmail.com](mailto:mpumcruthcircle@gmail.com).

**Nametag Drive, Sunday, April 28, 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.:** We ask that everyone wear a nametag each Sunday to help visitors and new members get to know us. On

Sunday April 28 only, you may order yours for free at the table in the Lobby. Email Pastor Uiyeon at [ukim@mpumc.org](mailto:ukim@mpumc.org) with questions.

**New Members Social**, *April 28, 3:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m., Jubilee Hall*: All who wish to get involved in the life of the church are invited to meet the pastors, connect with the church, and find your place here. Online reservations required by April 24. Email Lisa Ross-Smit at [lrsmit@mpumc.org](mailto:lrsmit@mpumc.org) to make childcare reservations.

**Women's Spring Gathering**, *May 2, 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in Jubilee Hall*: The United Methodist Women (UMW) will host this intergenerational celebration open to all women of the church. Heavy hors d'oeuvres will be served. Make your online reservation and payment of \$10 by April 26 at [www.myersparkumc.org](http://www.myersparkumc.org). Contact Barbara Barden at 704-295-4815 with questions. Email Lisa at [lrsmit@mpumc.org](mailto:lrsmit@mpumc.org) to make childcare reservations.

**Chancel Choir Tour Concert**: *Sunday, May 5, 5:30 p.m., Sanctuary*: Our Chancel Choir will present the music of Rutter, Mozart, Forrest, and others, which they are performing on tour in Scotland later in May. Free event. No tickets required. Contact Nancy Hamff at [nancy@mpumc.org](mailto:nancy@mpumc.org) for details.

**Greeting the Sojourner**, *May 6, 7:00 p.m., 107/108*: Come to learn about our work with those seeking legal asylum, both at the border and here in Charlotte. We'll share what it's like to serve, as well as the theological perspective of why we're there. Contact Nathan Arledge at [nathan@mpumc.org](mailto:nathan@mpumc.org) if have questions.

**Church closed Monday**: The church will be closed Monday, April 22. Those needing help can call 704-376-8584 and follow the prompts to the pastor on call.

To stay up-to-date on everything happening in the life of our church, visit our website to subscribe to our various weekly e-newsletters.

## **EASTER SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

- 7:00 a.m. – Sunrise Service
- 8:30 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship
- 8:45 a.m. – Church in the Round – Jubilee Hall
- 9:45 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship
- 11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Worship



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***Myers Park United Methodist Church Mission Statement:***  
*We are the body of Christ, growing in faith and serving others.*