

# Worship Notes

## We extend a warm welcome to our guests this morning!

We are very happy that you are in worship with us. Your presence has made this day more meaningful!

If this is your first time at Millbrook Baptist, or if you are a regular visitor, please sign the welcome card located in the pew card rack and include the requested information so that we may welcome you more personally and provide you with information about our church. You may fold the card and place it in the offering plate when passed, or hand it to an usher.

## The Season of Easter (March 27—May 15, 2015):

The "high and holy" time of Holy Week culminates in the Season of Easter, sometimes known as the Great Fifty Days, because it is a fifty-day celebration of the resurrection of Jesus. This is a season of great astonishment, celebration, and joy!

The season ends with the day of Pentecost when the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church is celebrated.

## Liturgical Color: White

White is generally considered a joyous and festive color and is used on special days such as Baptism of the Lord, Transfiguration, Trinity, All Saints and Reign of Christ. This color is virtually always used with weddings and funerals. White symbolizes divinity, purity, holiness, joy, innocence and victory.

## Today's Revised Common Lectionary Readings:

Acts 2:14a, 22-32; Psal 16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 20:19-31

## Children's Worship: Pat and Trish Strong

Please return the Wee Worship Bags after today's worship service. Children are encouraged to take his/her drawings and papers home.

## DVDs of the Worship Service:

DVDs are available on loan from the church library. If you'd like a personal copy, at no cost, please email or call the church office. There is also a link to sermons on the website.

## Altar Flowers:

The 2017 Flower Calendar for the Altar flowers is on the small bulletin board in the hallway intersection near the library. Arrangements are \$52.50. Please make your check payable to Millbrook Baptist Church with Altar Flowers in the memo line. Please fill out a dedication form which can be found on the table by the church office or at the welcome desk. You can place it in the offering plate or drop it off in the church office.

## Guest Proclaimer: George Fuller

Dr. George Fuller is the founder and executive director of Silver Compassion. Silver Compassion is a nonprofit organization that helps aging adults and their families navigate the complexities of the second half of life through education, collaborative planning and by connecting to vital community resources. George has been a minister in Arkansas and North Carolina since 1977. A trained Mediator since 2011. A Certified Senior Advisor since 2012. His doctorate is in small group process. He believes in the potential we have when we two or more people gather to support one another and face common challenges. He saw the need for Silver Compassion and developed his Life Compass Plan Protocol during 13 years as a caregiver for he and his wife Tammy's parents. He is always looking to bring his best to the Silver Compassion Community as we learn to Thrive in the Second half of life. George also serves as Minister of Worship and Community Building at North Raleigh Community Church in Raleigh, NC.

Please silence all cell phones and pagers during the worship service.  
Please do not bring beverages into the sanctuary.

# Calendar

## Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday School for All Ages	9:30 am - 10:30 am
Chancel Choir Gathering	10:30 am - 11:00 am
Worship Service	11:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>

Adult Bible Study (new attendees welcome!) <i>Meets in Kairos Classroom</i>	10:00 am
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## Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>

Dorcas Sewing	3:00 pm - 5:00 pm
Family Dinner & Fellowship <i>Chicken Parmesan, Linguini, Salad Bar, Texas Toast, Fruit Cobbler &amp; Ice Cream</i>	5:30 pm - 6:15 pm
Wednesday Program: <i>Family Missions Project - SOLE Hope</i>	6:15 pm - 7:15 pm
Choir Rehearsal	7:15 pm - 8:45 pm

## Deacon of the Week

If you are in need of prayer, comfort, or assistance,  
please do not hesitate to contact **Jan Pender (919) 741-7290**

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## The Millbrook Mission



Millbrook Baptist Church shares God's love by being an open and inclusive community of faith, developing Christian disciples through spiritual growth, and serving the world through mission and ministry.

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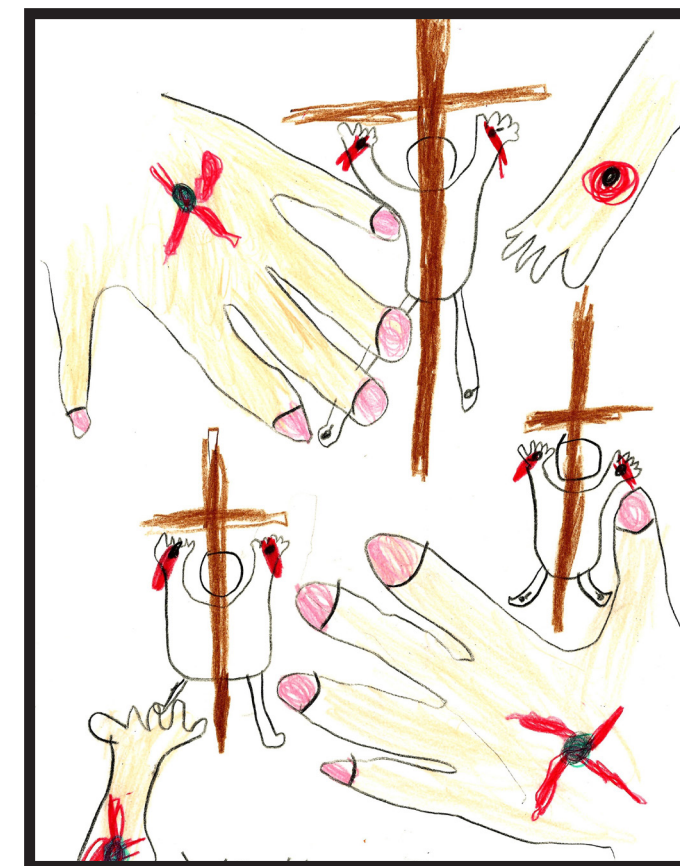


# Millbrook Baptist Church

April 23, 2017

Second Sunday of Easter

We Worship Our Lord



Wyatt Pearce  
Artwork Title

'Unless I see the mark of the nails  
in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of  
the nails and my hand in his side,  
I will not believe.'

John 20:25b

WELCOME

## GATHERING

Ringing of the Hour

Greeting and Community Life

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord in worship!**

Katelyn McWhorter

## ENTERING INTO WORSHIP

Prelude

*The Day of Resurrection*

Larson

Lighting of the Candles

Invocation

Tim Huber

†Call to Worship

We come again to celebrate resurrection.

God gives us new birth into a living hope.

**Death has no power over us.**

**Christ goes before us in the new life God offers.**

Blessed be the God of our Savior Jesus Christ!

Our faith, tested by fire, is renewed.

**Our hearts are glad, our souls rejoice.**

**God shows us the path of life.**

Again, Jesus says to us: Peace be with you.

Come to receive life in Christ's name.

**We rejoice in God's amazing good news.**

**In God's presence, we find fullness of joy.<sup>1</sup>**

†Hymn 349

*To God Be The Glory*

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

†Passing of the Peace

Rebecca Hewitt-Newson

May the Peace of Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

Morning Prayer and 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 trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil;**

**for thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever.**

**Amen.**

Words of Assurance

## PROCLAIMING

Epistle Lesson 1 Peter 1:3-9 (\*NT p.232)

Jeni Sawyer

This is the gift of Holy Scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

Children's Invitation to Gather

*Jesus Loves the Little Children*

**Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.**

**Every color, every race, all are covered by God's grace.**

**Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

Children's Message

Rebecca Hewitt-Newson

*(Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> Grade will go to the  
2<sup>nd</sup> floor, Education Building for Children's Church.)*

†Hymn 386

*Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee*

ST. AGNES

Worship in Giving

†Offertory Prayer

Jan Pender

Offertory

*We Welcome Glad Easter*

Cox

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

*(Signing of the Attendance Register may be done at this time.)*

†Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the Trinity of Love.**

**Praise God, within, beside, above.**

**We praise You! We praise You!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

Solo

*Doubting Thomas*

*performed by Ryan Newson*

Chris Thile

†Gospel Lesson John 20:19-31 (\*NT p.115)

Jan Pender

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

*The Fidelity of Thomas*

George Fuller

Discipline of Reflection

*(The Discipline of Reflection is a brief, quiet time for personal reflection.)*

## GOING FORTH

†Hymn of Response 634

*We Walk by Faith*

FAITH'S JOURNEY

†Blessing

*"We, the light of Christ, return to the world."*

†Postlude

*Alleluia! Alleluia!*

Drennan

\* Pew Bible

† Please stand as you are able.

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or would like to make a public profession of faith,  
we invite you to present yourself during the Hymn of Response.  
The ministerial staff is available for consultation and would  
welcome your inquiry.