

HE IS RISEN

Celebrate the Savior



Aldersgate United Methodist Church

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 20, 2025

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Aldersgate is a significant place where disciples are made!

*With God's help and through prayer we GATHER as God's people,
GROW in faith and love, and GO into the world as Jesus' disciples.*

9:00 AM Contemporary Worship

GATHERING

***WORSHIP SONG** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today(He Is Not Dead)* Journey Band

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pam Downey

***PASSING OF THE PEACE** Anastasiia Sidorova

CHILDREN'S TIME Ryan McKeever

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Cheryl Merritt

OFFERING PRAYER Anastasiia Sidorova

OFFERING SONG *Resurrection Power* Journey Band

***SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Matthew 27:57-66 (NIV)** Pam Downey

MESSAGE Reverend Derrick Porter

***WORSHIP SONG** *King of Kings* Journey Band

***BENEDICTION** Reverend Derrick Porter

CLOSING SONG *This Is Amazing Grace* Journey Band

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PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Altar Duty: Jocelyn McCord and Barbara Buckley

AV Tech: Ryan McKeever

Liturgist: Pam Downey

Greeters: Hal Barker and Beverly Barker

Congregational Prayer: Cheryl Merritt

Children's Message: Ryan McKeever

Head Usher: Steve Davis

Director of Music: Anastasiia Sidorova

Journey Band

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE *Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise* Aldersgate Brass

SPECIAL MUSIC *A Joyful Alleluia* Gateway Ringers
by C. Dobrinski

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pam Downey

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Pam Downey

L: The tomb is dark, but empty

P: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.

L: The stone has been rolled away

P: The one you are looking for has overcome death.

L: The burial clothes are put aside

P: The one you are looking for is alive!

L: Christ is Risen!

P: Christ is Risen Indeed!

L: Let us worship our Risen Savior!

***HYMN, 302 (v 1,2,3,6)** *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today* EASTER HYMN

***PASSING THE PEACE** Anastasiia Sidorova

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER Anne Murray

THE LORD'S PRAYER Anne Murray

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.

OFFERING PRAYER Anastasiia Sidorova

OFFERTORY *Fairest Lord Jesus, Beautiful Savior* Aldersgate Brass

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***DOXOLOGY**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

***HYMN OF PREPARATION, 322** *Up from the Grave He Arose* CHRIST AROSE

***SCRIPTURE LESSON** **Matthew 27:57-66 (NIV)** Pam Downey

SERMON Reverend Derrick Porter

SENDING FORTH

***CLOSING HYMN, 310**

He Lives

ACKLEY

***BENEDICTION**

Reverend Derrick Porter

SPECIAL MUSIC

An Easter Medley

Chancel Choir, Gateway Ringers

POSTLUDE

Hallelujah Chorus

Aldersgate Brass, Chancel Choir
Jocelyn McCord

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Congregational Prayer: Anne Murray

Director of Music: Anastasiia Sidorova

Organist: Mark Sobol

Aldersgate Brass

Gateway Ringers

Jocelyn McCord

Upcoming Events and Worship

Rummage Sale Donations: Mon/Tue April 21-22 – 9 AM to 7 PM

Wed April 23 - 9 AM to 5 PM

Rummage Sale – April 26, 8 AM to 2:30 PM

Sunday, April 27 at 10 AM for our Unified Worship Service

Graduation Sunday

Sunday May 18, 2025

Pentecost and Confirmation Sunday

Sunday June 8, 2025 – ONE Unified Worship Service at 10 AM

July and August Summer Worship

ONE Unified Worship Service at 10 AM

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9:00 Contemporary Worship

11:00 Traditional Worship Service

10:05-10:50 Sunday School for all ages *not in the summer

REMINDERS...

- **Nursery and Childcare** is available in Rooms 132 & 137.
- **There is an elevator** located near the Fairfax Shopping Center doors.
- **Please refrain** from eating or drinking in the Sanctuary.
- **Altar Flowers:** contact Beverly Barker at (302) 584-4509 or e-mail at macbhal@aol.com; checks for contributions may be put in the Treasurer's mailbox in The HUB. Please include envelope number.
- **Prayer List, Visitation, and Persons to Encourage list:** prayerlist@aldersgatede.org
- **Messenger Articles & Photos:** E-mail messenger@aldersgatede.org.
- **Church Office Hours:** Monday – Thursday 9 AM- 4 PM and Fridays 9 AM- 12 PM.
- **The Hughes Chapel** is open Monday-Friday during office hours.
- **Stay home if you are not feeling well**, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer, wear a mask if you wish and use your discretion to do what is best for you.

OUR CARING MINISTRY

**And this is the boldness we have in Him,
that if we ask anything according to His will, he hears us. (1 John 5:14)**

The Peace Candle in the sanctuary reminds us to pray for those serving our country: Weston Stigler (grandson to Martha and Willis Weldin); Benjamin Lovett (Julia Shay's brother).

The flowers on the altar are *in memory and honor of our family and friends.*

The candle on the altar is *in memory of Jim Gleason* who passed away one year ago April 22.

Forwood Manor Worship Leader is Bonnie Rambo and Sherie Stiles.

Our Weekly Prayer List

Sympathy

Family and Friends of Thomas "Thom" Price

Family and Friends of Virginia Lipford

Members & Friends

Aldersgate Staff Members

Betty and Paul Aldrich

Kim Anderson

Austin (Friend of Kerry Halbedl)

Ralph & Emily Bankert

Susan Burch (Ken Roth's sister)

Steve Culliton (Bill Culliton's brother)

Angela DeMaio (Christy Zeigler's mother)

Karin Ingman

Mike Luternau

Anna Maansson

Randy Martin (Chris Ruggiero's step-father)

Judy Morton

Jessica S. (Friend of Martha Weldin)
Samantha Spala (Family of Mark Wichmann)
Doris Springer
Samantha Timlin (Friend of Mike Luternau)
Linda Weller

Prayer Points

- Christ died for our sin. He is Risen!
- Rummage sale volunteers and community partners
- Pastor Kyung-Hee's healing. Rev. Porter sharing the Good News with us today.

Catalyst Intercessory Prayer Points

- Guide our work on our final presentation.
- Inspire our hearts for our final retreat in May.
- Help us clearly see our next steps.



Aldersgate Core Values

Valuing Fellowship - Relating to and enjoying one another. Come as you are and belong before you believe. Life is better together.

Sharing Encouragement - Giving hope to those who need it.

Nurturing Families & Youth - Building up Christian homes so that they honor Christ.

Serving with Mobilized Laity - Equipping and empowering members to serve based on their gifts and interests. Working together in Christ's service. Learning to grow through doing & serving.

Pursuing Excellence - Maintaining high ministry standards that bring glory to God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

On Sunday, April 27, we will have ONE Unified worship service at 10 AM, coffee hour following the service and no Sunday school.

Calling all Bakers for the Rummage Sale! Please bring your baked goods to the Rainbow Room ramp entrance between 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM on Friday, April 25 or between 7:00 AM and 8:30 AM on Saturday, April 26. This is very popular, so bring what you can. Thank you!

Bag and Hanger Collection - We are collecting bags and hangers for the Aldersgate Rummage Sale. We are collecting paper bags with handles and plastic hangers (no wire or wood). Hangers and bags for donation can be placed in the marked shopping cart outside the main office. For more information contact Stacie DiGiacoma (staciedigiacoma@msn.com)

Aldersgate Rummage Sale – Saturday, April 26, 2025 - 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM

VOLUNTEER – DONATE – SHOP – TELL FRIENDS Donations will be accepted at the Fairfax-side, Rainbow Room ramp entrance Monday, 4/21 & Tuesday 4/22 - 9 AM - 7 PM, and Wednesday, 4/23 - 9 AM - 5 PM. Volunteer anytime April 19th through April 26th. There's a lot of work to be done and plenty of fun to be had, so join us as we prepare for sale day! For more information contact Stacie DiGiacoma (staciedigiacoma@msn.com, 302-598-5025) or Chris Burket (cburket@gmail.com)

Come join us for Taste and See with WKC! - The Wilmington Kitchen Collective will host their "Taste and See" lunchtime market on the third Thursday of each month, beginning on May 15th here at AUM. The lunchtime market, which will be set up in the parking lot, will last from 11 AM-2 PM, and will feature a food truck (or caterer), bakers, water ice, artisans and live music! Not all vendors are listed here, but so far for May 15th we will have Blue Hen Barbecue, Ma Ada's Water Ice, Forever Freeze Co., IB Foods and Kristin's Kreation. We will also have a dessert baker (TBD) and live music (TBD).

2025 GRADUATES – Are you graduating from high school, college, a master's program, or other degree in 2025? If so, please contact Kyle Smith at kyle.smith@aldersgatede.org and let us know so we can recognize and celebrate YOU! Deadline is May 13, 2025. Graduation Sunday is May 18, at both worship services.

Red Shopping Cart Food Collection - The red shopping carts outside the church office are available at all times to donate non-perishable foods. Items in these carts are used to fill the Aldersgate Free Little Pantry. Our pantry is available to the community 24 hours a day. Currently our pantry is being restocked 3 to 4 times per week. We are in great need of donations. The most needed non-perishable items are: pop-top cans of soup or pasta meals, cereal, peanut butter, jelly, boxed mac & cheese, granola bars, apple sauce, crackers and shelf-stable milks. Expired items cannot be accepted. For more information contact Stacie DiGiacoma (staciedigiacoma@msn.com)

PLEASE obey the posted speed limit when on the property! We hear safety messages everywhere we go—and every part of going to church should be SAFE, including walking and driving. All of our guests receive regular messages of “encouragement” to minimize the risk of accident and injury. Please do your part to lead by example as “hosts” to the groups that use our facility.

It's TIME to register for our 2025 Vacation Bible School - Don't let the heat scorch your summer! Join us for an ARCTIC BLAST of snowy fun in the northern tundra as we learn to trust Jesus in a wild world. TRUE NORTH, this year's Vacation Bible School program, is accepting registrations for all types of volunteers and participants. See Pam Downey, Director of Children and Youth Ministries, pam.downey@aldersgatede.org, with questions!

To register as a participant or volunteer scan the QR code:



CALENDAR

Sunday, April 20, 2025 Easter Sunday

9:00a Contemporary Worship Service, Sanctuary

11:00 Traditional Worship Service, Sanctuary

Monday, April 21, 2025

9:00a Rummage Sale Donation/Set-up

5:30p Wilmington Drama Kids

6:30 Troop #67

Tuesday, April 22, 2025

9:00a Rummage Sale Donation/Set-up

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

9:00a Rummage Sale Donation/Set-up

10:00 Staff Means of Grace Activity

5:00p Sight Singing Classes, MC

Wednesday, April 23, 2025

6:00 Impact, SMC

6:00 Journey Band, Sanctuary

7:00 Choir, Music Center

7:30 Handbells, Handbell Room

Thursday, April 24, 2025

9:00a Rummage Sale Set-up

10:00a Journey Bible Study, 237

6:00p Girl Scout Troop #129

7:00 Brass Rehearsal, Sanctuary

Friday, April 25, 2025

9:00a Rummage Sale Set-up

Saturday, April 26, 2025 Rummage Sale Day

8:00a Rummage Sale Begins

2:30p Rummage Sale Ends



In Honor of . . .



Kate, Neil, and Levi from Marilyn Reiner
Christine, Ang, Mae, and Vivienne from Marilyn Reiner
Our mother, Mary Ann Hall, from Alexander and Sarah Spann
Our children, Matthew Spann, Kimberly & Devin Wanniski, from Alexander and Sarah Spann
Our grandchildren, Emily, Joshua, and Garrett, from Alexander and Sarah Spann
My children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, from Mary Ann Hall
Our children and grandchildren from Ellie and Ron Kelly
Our children and grandchildren from Donnie & Doug DeVoll
Our family from Tom and Barbara Lugg
Zack and Sam from Ray and Jennifer Pendley
Ben and Katie from Ray and Jennifer Pendley
Our mother, Arlene, from Ray and Jennifer Pendley
Joan DeRosa, my mother, from Julie DeRosa
My children and grandchildren from Cheryl Beeson
Our children and grandchildren from Kathy and Henry Daum
Allie, Isabel, Lily, and Mitchell Lugar from Owen and Kitty Lugar
Our children and grandchildren from Sandy Anderson
Carolyn, Brian, Cecilia, and Violet Estebez from Barbara Buckley
Our children and their significant other, Becca & Ryan and Zach & Alexia, love Mom and Dad

The Altar Guild of Aldersgate UMC thanks everyone for their continued support!

Purchased flowers may be picked up after each service.



Happy Easter



In Loving Memory. . .



Guy and Mildred Wharton from Ferris and Erin Wharton
Sue W. Miller from Ferris and Erin Wharton
Mary Ann O'Connor from Ferris and Erin Wharton
Loved Ones from Marilyn Reiner
Our father, James Hall from Alexander and Sarah Spann
Our brother, Charles Hall from Alexander and Sarah Spann
Our parents, Alexander & Anna Spann Jr., from Alexander and Sarah Spann
Loved Ones, from Louise Merritt and Family
My son, Charles Hall, from Mary Ann Hall
My parents, Mae and Charles Lindale, from Mary Ann Hall
Family and friends from Bob and Carolyn Reis
Our parents, Doris & Richard Kelly and Mildred & Charles Shaw from Ellie and Ron Kelly
Our parents from Donnie and Doug DeVoll
Loved ones from Tom and Barbara Lugg
Jane's parents from Martin and Jane Wagner
Martin's parents from Martin and Jane Wagner
Loved ones from Robert and Kathy Harding
Holly VanSuch, a dear, dear friend
Beloved mother and father, Margret Anne and John Edwin Cobb, from Cathy Hartwick
Loved Ones from Barb and Mike Johnson
Our parents, George & Madie Harvey and Edwin & Ethel White, from Bill and Edith Harvey
My parents, Dr. and Mrs. William H. Mason from Carol E. Mason
My brother, William H. Mason, Jr., from Carol E. Mason
Marvin Harding from Jean Ann Harding
Our parents, Marty, Gerald, and Boyd from Ray and Jennifer Pendley
Ross Friant, my son, from Julie DeRosa
Peter Theodore, my brother-in-law, from Julie DeRosa
Mr. and Mrs. James B. Boyer from Susan Boyer and Sally Boyer Lavelle
Dana Pyle from Jocelyn McCord and Valerie Voge and families
Jean Pyle from Jocelyn McCord and Valerie Voge and families
Dana Robertson from Jocelyn McCord and Valerie Voge and families
Frank Sobonya from Jean Sobonya and the Sobonya Family
Michael Stolle from Jean Sobonya and Christina
Our parents from Kathy and Henry Daum
Joanne Bodwell, Linda Moore, and Judy Vallely from Owen and Kitty Lugar
Louis Vacca, Christine's dad, from the Lassiter Family
Jon Lassiter, Ron's dad, from the Lassiter Family
Earl and Beryl Hames, my parents, from Susan Mammele
Canby and Mary Mammele, my parents, from Fred Mammele
Jack and Louise Fortner, my parents, from Bobbie Burtch

In Loving Memory. . .



Our parents, Owen & Pearl Shannon and Harry & Elaine Davis, from Steve and Debbie Davis
Kirk Anderson, my husband, and our parents, from Sandy Anderson
Bill Buckley from Barbara Buckley
Joan Wuertz from Barbara Buckley
Joyce Tavani from Barbara Buckley
Donald and Marion Temme from the Temme Family
Charles and Elizabeth Kohlerman from the Temme Family
Freda Montgomery from the Temme Family
Austin Hurley from the Temme Family
David and Margaret Mackintosh from the Temme Family

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The angel spoke to the women. He knew they were looking for Jesus. He said these words to them:

Turn the letters right side up to find what he said to them.

“ _____
H G I S U O T P G L G

H G P S S L I I S G U.”

Write a word to fit each definition. Write the letters on the lines below.



1. What a caterpillar becomes _____
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
2. It rises in the morning _____
10 11 12
3. A puppy grows into one _____
13 14 15
4. Opposite of black _____
16 17 18 19 20
5. A grown-up boy _____
21 22 23

The women ran from the tomb to tell the disciples. Suddenly Jesus met them! He said ...

“ _____!
15 6 5 5 3 18 12 15 10 13 14 12 14 4 1 5

22 7 6 22 18 13 15 14 22 12 13 3 5 8 8

21 9 1 6 14 4 17 5 6 10 3 14 15 14 3 14
_____;
15 22 8 18 8 5 5 4 17 5 6 5 3 17 5 9
_____.”
16 18 8 8 10 5 5 21 5

Name _____