

*Seek the Lost · Build up the Found ·  
Transform the City through Jesus Christ*  
**APRIL 1, 2018**  
**EASTER SUNDAY**

**PRESENTED SONG**

**He Is Risen**

1 On the first day of the week,  
Very early in the morning,  
The women took the spices they had prepared  
And went to the tomb.

2 They found the stone rolled away  
(Rolled away) from the tomb,  
3 But when they entered, they did not find  
The body of the Lord Jesus.

4 While they were wondering about this,  
Suddenly two men in clothes that  
gleamed like lightning stood beside them.  
5 In their fright the women bowed down  
With their faces to the ground,  
But the men said to them, (The men said to them)

*“Why do you look for the living among the dead?  
6 He is not here; He has risen!”*

Remember how he told you,  
While he was still with you in Galilee:

7 “The Son of Man must be delivered  
Into to the hands of sinners,  
Be crucified and on the third day  
Be raised again.”

8 Then they remembered his words.  
(Remember his words)

*“Why do you look for the living among the dead?  
He is not here; He has risen!”*

Sing alleluia! (Alleluia!)  
Sing alleluia! (Alleluia!)  
Sing alleluia! (Alleluia!)  
He is risen!

Words: Luke 24:1-8 | Music: Jonathan Noël  
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## Christ The Lord Is Risen Today

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!  
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!  
Sing ye heavens and earth reply, Alleluia!

2 Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!  
Where O death is now thy sting, Alleluia!  
Dying once He all doth save, Alleluia!  
Where thy victory O grave, Alleluia!

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## EASTER SHOUT

*Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

**People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*During the songs, children are invited to come forward and flower the cross, a tradition dating back to the 6th century.*

## Worship Christ The Risen King

1 Rise O Church and lift your voices  
Christ has conquered death and hell  
Sing as all the earth rejoices  
Resurrection anthems swell  
Come and worship come and worship  
Worship Christ the Risen King

2 Hear the earth protest and tremble  
See the stone removed with pow'r  
All hell's minions may assemble  
But cannot withstand His hour  
He has conquered He has conquered  
Christ the Lord the Risen King

3 We acclaim Your life O Jesus  
Now we sing Your victory  
Sin or hell may seek to seize us  
But Your conquest keeps us free  
Stand in triumph stand in triumph  
Worship Christ the Risen King

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## What a Beautiful Name

1 You were the Word at the beginning  
One with God the Lord Most High  
Your hidden glory in creation  
Now revealed in You our Christ

*What a beautiful Name it is  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a beautiful Name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a beautiful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus*

2 You didn't want heaven without us  
So Jesus You brought heaven down  
My sin was great Your love was greater  
What could separate us now

*What a wonderful Name it is  
What a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a wonderful Name it is  
Nothing compares to this  
What a wonderful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus*

Death could not hold You  
The veil tore before You  
You silence the boast of sin and grave  
The heavens are roaring  
The praise of Your glory  
For You are raised to life again

You have no rival  
You have no equal  
Now and forever God You reign

Yours is the kingdom  
Yours is the glory  
Yours is the Name above all names

*What a powerful Name it is  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus Christ my King  
What a powerful Name it is  
Nothing can stand against  
What a powerful Name it is  
The Name of Jesus*

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## CHILDREN'S DISMISSAL & EASTER SHOUT

*Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

**People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*At this time, children 4k-2nd grade are invited to go to Kids Time. Kids Time is a dynamic worship service that caters to younger children and prepares them to participate in the main worship service. The children will return prior to Communion.*

## GOSPEL READING

*Leader: The Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*

**People: Glory to You, Lord Christ.**

John 20:1-18

(p. 880)

*Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.*

**People: Praise to You, Lord Christ.**

## MESSAGE

### Easter Sunday

*The Ring of Truth*

Rev. Patrick Dominguez

## No Longer Slaves

*I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God  
I'm no longer a slave to fear  
I am a child of God*

From my Mother's womb  
You have chosen me  
Love has called my name  
I've been born again into Your family  
Your blood flows through my veins

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## A CELEBRATION OF THE COVENANT OF BAPTISM

*A baptismal covenant will be made today on behalf of*  
**Stella Jane Pearl Hillegass, daughter of Matt and Sara Hillegass (9:00am)**  
**Carolina Leigh Reynolds, daughter of Matt and Lauren Reynolds (9:00am)**  
**Mae Grace Reynolds, daughter of Matt and Lauren Reynolds (9:00am)**  
**William Benjamin Brown, son of Derick and Jessica Brown (11:00am)**  
**Dylan King Owenby, son of Ryan and Bethany Owenby (11:00am)**

### COVENANT OF BAPTISM

Presentation of the Candidates by Parents

**Parents: We present NN to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

*Leader: Will you accept the spiritual responsibility to bring up these children in the Christian faith and life?*

**Parents: We will, with God's help.**

*Leader: Do you renounce Satan and his demonic forces that rebel against God and war against your soul?*

**Parents: I renounce them.**

*Leader: Have you accepted Christ Jesus as your Savior and Lord?*

**Parents: I have.**

*Leader: Do you renounce anew all sinful desires and commit yourself to obey him with your whole heart?*

**Parents: I do.**

After the baptismal candidate has been presented, the Celebrant says to the People:

*Leader: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these children in their life in Christ?*

**People: We will.**

*Leader: Let us renew our own baptismal covenant. Do you believe in God the Father?*

**People: I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?*

**People: I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Leader: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?*

**People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic\* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*\* The phrase "holy catholic Church" refers to the Church worldwide.*

*Leader: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Leader: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Leader: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

*Leader: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?*

**People: I will, with God's help.**

## **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

*Leader: Let us now pray for these candidates who are to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.*

*Leader: Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death and open their hearts to your grace and truth.*

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader: Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit and keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.*

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader: Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit and send them into the world in witness to your love.*

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader: Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.*

**People: Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader: Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns with you now and forever. Amen.*

## **THANKSGIVING OVER WATER**

### **THE BAPTISM**

*Leader: Let us welcome the newly baptized.*

**People: We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his Covenant of Faith.**

*Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

**People: And also with you.**

## WELCOME AND OFFERING

### Is He Worthy?

1 Do you feel the world is broken? **(We do)**  
Do you feel the shadows deepen? **(We do)**  
But do you know that all the dark  
Won't stop the light from getting through? **(We do)**  
Do you wish that you could see it all made new?  
**(We do)**

2 Is all creation groaning? **(It is)**  
Is a new creation coming? **(It is)**  
Is the glory of the Lord  
To be the light within our midst? **(It is)**  
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? **(It is)**

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?  
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's Root  
And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
Of all blessing and honor and glory  
Is He worthy of this?  
**He is***

3 Does the Father truly love us? **(He does)**  
Does the Spirit move among us? **(He does)**  
And does Jesus our Messiah  
Hold forever those He loves? **(He does)**  
Does our God intend to dwell again with us?  
**(He does)**

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?  
Is anyone able to break the seal and  
open the scroll?  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's Root  
And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave  
From ev'ry people and tribe  
every nation and tongue  
He has made us a kingdom and priests  
To God to reign with the Son  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
Of all blessing and honor and glory  
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?  
Is He worthy of this?  
**He is***

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**He is**  
**He is***

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## HOLY COMMUNION

*(All baptized and believing followers of our Lord Jesus Christ are invited to partake in Holy Communion regardless of denomination. It is our custom to use wine during communion. **If you prefer, you may receive grape juice** from the smaller chalices on the end of the serving lines. If it would not be authentic for you to receive Communion, you may remain in your seat and contemplate the prayers on the following page.)*

*Leader: Is the Father with us?*

*Leader: Is Christ among us?*

*Leader: Is the Spirit here?*

*Leader: This is our God.*

*Leader: We are his people.*

*Leader: Lift up your hearts.*

*Leader: Let us give thanks to the  
Lord our God.*

**People: He is.**

**People: He is.**

**People: He is.**

**People: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

**People: We are redeemed.**

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Leader continues in Eucharistic Prayer...

*Leader: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:*

**People: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** (said together)

**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  
And lead us not into temptation  
But deliver us from evil  
For thine is the Kingdom  
And the power and the glory  
Forever and ever Amen**

## **PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT TAKING HOLY COMMUNION**

*The Church of The Apostles welcomes all Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, to receive Holy Communion with us by coming forward to one of the communion stations at the front. If you are not able to receive Communion, please use this time to meditate on one of the following prayers.*

### ***Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.***

*Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and that leads to the life you promise. Thank you.*

### ***Prayer of Belief.***

*Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Please come into my life through the power of your Holy Spirit. Thank you.*

*A prayer team is available to pray with you at the back of the sanctuary during Communion.*

***Unable to come forward?*** Please inform an usher to request that Communion be brought to you.  
***Gluten-free wafers*** available upon request.

## Before The Throne Of God Above

1 Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is Love  
Who ever lives and pleads for me  
My name is graven on His hands  
My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heav'n He stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart

2 When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end to all my sin  
Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me

3 Behold Him there the risen Lamb  
My perfect spotless righteousness  
The great unchangeable I Am  
The King of glory and of grace  
One with Himself I cannot die  
My soul is purchased with His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ my Savior and my God  
With Christ my Savior and my God

4 I bow before the cross of Christ  
And marvel at this love divine  
God's perfect Son the Sacrifice  
That made me righteous in God's eyes  
This river's depths I cannot know  
But I can glory in its flood  
The Lord most high has bowed down low  
And poured on me His glorious love  
And poured on me His glorious love

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## How Deep The Father's Love For Us

1 How deep the Father's love for us  
How vast beyond all measure  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure  
How great the pain of searing loss  
The Father turns His face away  
As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
Bring many sons to glory

2 Behold the man upon a cross  
My sin upon His shoulders  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
Call out among the scoffers  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished  
His dying breath has brought me life  
I know that it is finished

3 I will not boast in anything  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
His death and resurrection  
Why should I gain from His reward  
I cannot give an answer  
But this I know with all my heart  
His wounds have paid my ransom

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## This Is Amazing Grace

1 Who breaks the power of sin and darkness  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

2 Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder  
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

*This is amazing grace this is unfailing love  
That You would take my place  
That You would bear my cross  
You would lay down Your life  
That I would be set free  
Jesus I sing for all that You've done for me*



3 Who brings our chaos back into order  
Who makes the orphan a son and daughter  
The King of Glory, the King of Glory

4 Who rules the nations with truth and justice  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance  
The King of Glory the King above all kings

Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
And worthy is the King who conquered the grave  
Worthy is the Lamb who was slain  
Worthy worthy

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### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (said together)

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### **BENEDICTION**

*The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you perfect in every good work to do his will; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.*

### **Christ The Lord Is Risen Today**

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!

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!

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### **EASTER SHOUT & DISMISSAL**

*Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!*

**People: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

*Leader: Let us go forth to love and serve the Lord.*

**People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

# W E L C O M E !

We are glad you are worshiping with us this morning. We want to get to know you! Yellow connection cards can be found under the seats in the sanctuary. Please fill one out and drop it in the offering basket.

## Connect



We want to keep you connected to the life of Apostles! To be added to *The Pulse* contacts, fill out a yellow connection card and drop in the offering basket. You will receive our weekly e-newsletter and other important church-wide announcements.



Our online communication tool connects you to ministries and members of the Apostles community. For more info contact Marsha Whyte: [marsha@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:marsha@apostles-raleigh.org)

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## Community

Interested in connecting deeper into the community here at Apostles? Consider joining a Community Group! Various community groups meet throughout the week. Contact Jay for more information.

Jay Traylor  
[jay@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:jay@apostles-raleigh.org)



**Student Ministry Small Groups** happen Sundays at 5:30pm during the school year. (6th - 12th grades)  
Contact Chris for more information.

Emily Gebbie  
[emily@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:emily@apostles-raleigh.org)

## Serve

There are several way to connect and serve in the life of Apostles. Take a look at our Ministry Teams and find out how you can get involved. If there is an area or gifting that you have that you do not see listed, we want to know about it!

[apostles-raleigh.org/church](http://apostles-raleigh.org/church)

## Seek Prayer

The Apostles Prayer Ministry is a safe place to seek prayer for a variety of concerns.

You will find trained prayer teams and a prayer room in the back of the sanctuary, toward the right as you enter.

## Outreach

A great way to get involved is by connecting with one of our local Mission Partners:

- Beyond Imagination
- Camp Oak Hill
- Community HOPE of the Y
- CORRAL Riding Academy
- FOCUS Student Ministry
- Gateway
- House of Hope
- Jobs for Life
- JusticeMatters
- Loaves and Fishes Ministry
- Neighbor To Neighbor
- NeighborHealth Center
- North Raleigh Ministries
- YoungLife {Raleigh}
- The Encouraging Place
- Women's Prison Ministry

[apostles.raleigh.org/local](http://apostles.raleigh.org/local)

# What's Happening at Apostles

Today's Easter offering will go towards one of our local Mission Partners, **Justice Matters**. Justice Matters provides empowering legal services to our vulnerable and marginalized neighbors, specializing in trauma-informed immigration and family law services that protect children and help survivors of human trafficking and other traumas rebuild their lives. Please consider how you can partner with the JusticeMatters team with your gift.

**Considering membership at Church of the Apostles? Just want to learn more about who we are?** Join us for the next Discovering Apostles Class on **Saturday, April 21** from 9am-12pm to learn about the mission and ministry of Apostles. Contact Marsha for details and to sign up: [marsha@apostles-raleigh.org](mailto:marsha@apostles-raleigh.org) | 919-782-0550 Childcare is available upon request.

## This Week

**Sunday, April 1**

**EASTER SUNDAY**

- Worship Services:  
9:00am & 11:00am
- \*NO\* Sunday School
- \*NO\* Deal

**Monday, April 2**

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED**

- Women in the Word: 7-8:45pm

**Tuesday, April 3**

- Tuesday at Noon (W): 12-1:15pm
- Tuesday Praise & Prayer:  
1:30-2:30pm

**Wednesday, April 4**

- Band of Brothers (M): 7-8am  
(offsite)
- Sleepyheads (M): 7:15-8:15am
- Growing in Grace (W): 9:30-11am
- Abiding Prayer: 7-8:30pm

**Thursday, April 5**

- Men's Fraternity (M): 6:30-8am
- Blackwater Group (M): 7-8am  
(offsite)

**Friday, April 6**

- Community HOPE Movie + Pizza:  
12-3pm

## Save The Date

**4/27 ~ Jonathan + Amanda Noël and Friends | 7:00pm**

Jonathan and Amanda Noël are celebrating 20 years of music on April 27 here at Apostles. This will be an extraordinary and once in a lifetime night of music you don't want to miss!

Purchase tickets: [apostles-raleigh.org/noelandfriends](http://apostles-raleigh.org/noelandfriends)

## Student Ministry

**APRIL**

1 ~ \*NO\* Deal {Easter Sunday}

8 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm

15 ~ The Deal | 6-8pm

20 ~ Middle School Event | Rock Climbing | 7-11pm ~ Sign up with Paul or Emily!

## Children's Ministry

**Lessons for April 1, 2018**

- **Nursery:** The Empty Tomb {Matthew 28:1-10}
- **Kids Time:** Jesus is Alive {Luke 24:1-12}

# Easter Lily Dedications

In memory of our dads, E. Dwight Jordan and F. Zane Blevins, given by Tim and Lucy Jordan.

In honor of Elizabeth Nichols given by the *Women of the Word* Monday Night Bible Study.

In memory of Frank "Papa" Schafstedde given by Jack, Sara, Henry and Schaf Morisey.

In memory of Caroline Comly given by Sara Morisey.

In memory of my mom, Pat Witter, given by Laura Witter.

In memory of our parents, Graham & Evelyn Breck and Frank & Virginia Bolash, given by Larry and Louise Bolash.

In memory of Lynda McConnell given by the *Psalms 92:14* Community Group.

In memory of Ray Seigler given by the Morisey family.

In memory of my dad, John E. Bach, Sr., given by Meg Bach.

In memory of my sister, Natalie Michelle Stem Cook, given by Angela Stem Mills.

In memory of our parents, Beulah & Bob Barclay and Mary & Ellis Leckrone, given by Dan and Sue Barclay.

In honor of my marriage given by Natalie Taylor.

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