

## Durham Mennonite Church

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A Congregation of the Virginia Mennonite Conference & Mennonite Church USA

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Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017

The Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ

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9:30 a.m. Bible Study

10:30 a.m. Worship Leader: Lowell Tieszen Music: Anna Showalter

### PRAISING OUR CREATOR WHO CALLS US

Call to Worship: Alleluia! The Lord is risen!

*The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!*

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

**To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.**

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

**'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. (Revelation 1:4-8)**

Opening Songs

Sing the Story #89 - *Christ is Alive*

Hymnal #277 - *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

Hymnal #269 - *Thine is the Glory*

Psalms 34 (read responsively, verse by verse)

Passing the Peace

Announcements

Hymn #273 – *Low In the Grave He Lay*

### HEARING JESUS, THE LIVING WORD

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Song of Songs 2:8-17; 3:1-4

John 19:38- 20:18

Sermon: *Leap to Life*

Spencer Bradford

### RECEIVING THE SPIRIT, JOINED IN CHRIST'S BODY

Word Made Music

Testimonies to the Word

Sharing and Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal #731)

Offering and Offertory

### RETURNING TO GOD'S SERVICE AS NEW CREATURES

Closing Hymn #280 – *Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

Sending to Serve

Alleluia! Be not afraid! The Lord is risen!

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

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THE WEEK

1 Kings 17:8-24; Song 5:2-8; Colossians 3:12-17; John 20:19-31

Next Sunday: Worship Leader, Sylvia Daniel; Music, Rebekah Ackerman.

**Happy Birthday to Marcia Nice (4/18) and Eddie Ohando (4/19)!**

**Pray for Mennonite Missions:** Praise God for Mark and Mary Hurst's years of service with Anabaptist Association of Australia and New Zealand through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray that the couple will be filled with God's wisdom as they respond to seekers' questions about prayer, faith, forgiveness and healing.

### Upcoming Durham Mennonite Dates:

**Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m. – Quilting & Sewing at Durham Mennonite**

**Volunteers from our Eastern Carolina District of Mennonite churches will be working on a Mennonite Disaster Service team in Princeville, NC, for rebuilding and renovating flood-damaged homes during the last week of April, 4/24- 4/29.**

**Tuesday, April 18, 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - DCIA Assembly Lunch at Eno River Unitarian-Universalist Fellowship, 4907 Garrett Rd.** "Strong Fathers" Program Presentation by Kathryn Bauman, Executive Director of Behavioral Insights. Learn about a successful model of parenting intervention in our community that changes cycles of abuse and violence across generations. Lunch for \$7.

**ReCity presents: Race & the City A Community Forum with Sho Baraka. April 20th 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m. at ReCity 112 Broadway St, Durham, NC.** An honest conversation on race and its impact around our nation and in our communities: past, present, and future. Nationally renowned rapper Sho Baraka will be the guest speaker, unpacking his song "Myhood, USA, 1937" featured on his album "The Narrative." Main session will be followed by a panel discussion and Q&A with local community leaders. Sponsored by Re-City, a ministry for urban youth outreach.

Wednesday, May 3, 7:00 p.m. – Singing at Carver Assisted Living dining room for Tom Weaver and other guests.

Don Brenneman, former pastor at Greensboro Mennonite Fellowship, died last month in Colorado. There will be a memorial service for Don on Saturday, April 22, at 3:00 p.m. at Greensboro Mennonite Fellowship (Presbyterian Church of the Covenant building, 501 S. Mendenhall, Greensboro, NC 27403). RSVP to Solomon Bililign, 336-392-1909, or bililignsol@gmail.com, so GMF will have adequate seating prepared.



*My beloved speaks and says to me:  
'Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away;  
for now the winter is past,  
the rain is over and gone.  
The flowers appear on the earth,  
and the time of singing has come!'*

*Front Art: "Resurrection" (Christ and Mary in the Garden)  
Donald Jackson, 2002, St. John's Bible*

*Our mission is to restore people to relationships of communion  
with God and each other in Christ.*

*We will practice this mission through our worship, witness,  
discipling, fellowship and service.*

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