

EAMC NEWSLETTER, APRIL-MAY 2021

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JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL FOR WORSHIP | Sundays | 10 AM

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UPCOMING EVENTS:



Sunrise service on the beach. Photo Credit: Laura Dillman

1 April [Thursday] Maundy Thursday, 6:00 - 7:30pm

Join us in the chapel for the Stations of the Cross and a celebration of Communion. Communion will be served in pre-packaged individual servings. Masks and social distancing are required.

2 April [Friday] Good Friday Vigil, 12:00 - 3:00pm

Join us in the chapel for the Stations of the Cross and a celebration of Communion. Communion will be served in pre-packaged individual servings. Masks and social distancing are required.

3 April [Saturday] Celebration of Easter (ages 2-8), 10:30am - 12:00pm
****registration required***

The Celebration will emphasize the true meaning of Christ and the Resurrection Story with a short program. The Easter Bunny will be available outside afterwards to take pictures with the children. [Click here to learn more](#) and to register your children.

4 April [Sunday] Easter Sunrise Service, 6:30 - 7:00am

Join us 6:30-7am on the beach at Ocean Access #12 (Scott Ave.) for a sunrise service celebrating Christ's resurrection! Sunrise will be at 6:53am. ***(Additional service at 10am in the chapel and via livestream.)*** Practice social distancing | Additional parking available at the church.

6 April [Tuesday] Co-ed Bible Study Begins, 7:00 - 8:00pm

All adults are invited to join us for an exciting six-week study of spiritual gifts on Tuesdays, April 6 – May 11, at 7p.m, via Zoom. We will explore the scriptures together during each session using Kay Arthur's book Understanding Spiritual Gifts and Kenneth Kinghorn's guide Discovering Your Spiritual Gifts, A Personal Inventory Method. [Click here](#) for more details.

7 April [Wednesday] Kingdom Crafters Begins, 10:00 - 11:30am

Kingdom Crafters is gearing up again! For new people who would like to come, come on! We can teach you to knit or crochet, or you can come for fellowship and work on whatever craft you choose. If you know of a group that needs things, please share that idea with us! We meet in the Fellowship House (Scott Avenue entrance), first door on the right. We have supplies, if you need anything. If you come late or leave early, that's fine too. We will ask to wear masks until our Governor has lifted the mask mandate. Contact [Julia Pollock](#) to learn more.

6 May [Wednesday] National Day of Prayer, 12:00 - 12:30pm

Join us for a 30-minute prayer session during the 2021 National Day of Prayer. This year's theme is "Lord Pour Out Your Love, Live and Liberty" (2 Corinthians 3:17). Learn more about this year's theme by [clicking here](#). [Click here](#) for this year's brochure with prayers for Family, Church, Workplace, Education, Military, Government, and Art, Media & Entertainment.

CHAIRMAN'S CORNER April/May 2021



I am happy to report that during our March meeting, the Board of Governors voted to have all of the Chapel's usual Holy Week activities, albeit with some modifications. See more

information about the schedule above. The Board continues to monitor the need for safety measures put in place last year in response to COVID-19. They moved to allow Sunday School classes and Bible Study groups to return to in-person meetings. The Board looks forward to taking more steps towards complete reopening at our next meeting in May.

Outside Pavilion Study

Last year due to COVID-19 restrictions, we spent many months under a big tent in the grassy area beside the Fellowship House. We mainly used the tent for our Sunday worship services, but it was also available for youth activities and a picnic meal. The Board of Governors is currently studying the feasibility of a permanent open pavilion in this area. This sheltered area would be large enough to host a variety of activities. The use of moveable furniture would also make the pavilion multi-functional. The Board and I would love to hear your ideas on this project.

History Committee Chairperson Needed

We are currently looking for a person to chair the History Committee. This committee is responsible for gathering and preserving the records of the life and activities of the Chapel. If you like history or you like keeping things organized, we could use you on this committee. Contact Debo Bell, dtbell56@gmail.com.

The Power of Prayer

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. [Philippians 4:6]

This is one of my favorite Bible verses. It's highlighted in pink in my Bible, along with other verses that comfort me or give me direction. I do believe in the power of prayer. I pray often throughout the day, sometimes it's just a short prayer of petition and at another time, a more focused prayer. One prayer may be a simple thank you for God's creation as I walk the beach or view one of our majestic sunsets.

Jesus Christ taught us how to pray. We know that Jesus prayed with others and he prayed alone. He prayed in public as well as in private. He prayed before meals, before healing, before making important decisions. He taught us the importance of prayer. As we reread the Easter story in the Gospel, we come to Jesus praying in Gethsemane. This passage details Jesus praying not once, not twice, but three times during the hours after the Last Supper and his arrest.

I urge you, brothers and sisters, by our Lord Jesus Christ and by the love of the Spirit to join me in my struggle by praying to God for me. [Romans 15:30]

These are Paul's words in the book of Romans, but Jesus also believed in the power of praying for others. Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel faithfully believes in intercessory prayers. Prayer requests are given during Sunday worship services and during Men's and Women's weekly Bible Studies. We have an active prayer chain. Prayer requests are included in our newsletters. We are currently looking for more ways to provide an avenue for those needing our prayers. Two things we are investigating is a way to include a prayer request link on our webpage and adding a prayer request box somewhere on the chapel's grounds.

Worship: Good Signs

It is good to see affiliates returning to the Chapel for the Sunday morning worship service. On two recent Sundays, we averaged 60 in attendance and 50 devices connected to livestreaming. There may be more than one viewer on a device so it is difficult to determine the true number of viewers; 78% of the viewers were watching live and 22% watched the recorded service. We had viewers from nine states, mostly from the southeast. We are very thankful to have the livestreaming capacity and thank the gentlemen who keep it running each Sunday and Maria McDonald who ensures that livestreaming is on the website.

Easter is the time that some affiliates return to the island. We hope to see you at one of our services.

Because He lives, we can face tomorrow! Happy Easter!



Debo Bell

Board of Governors Chair, 2021-23



PRAISES

Birth of Riley Laike Pollock, grandson of Julia and Rich Pollock
Katrina Stearns and her boys

PETITIONS

Dianne Barnes

Jeff Bell

Susan Burnette

Sarah Cox's mother

Bill Dennis, Tommy Newton's friend
Bradley-Dee and Gayla MacMillan's son
Lisa Godwin
Linda Honke
Gerry Horner
Paula Kafitz
Ray McDonald Sr.
Don McKay
Lyman and Holly Ormond
Dick and Rose Peters
Jac Reville
Wayne and Michelle Reynolds
Karen Roberts
Mary Stuart Sanderson
Bill Stephens
Karroll and Judy Teachey
Well's family in Chinquapin Grace White
The family of Phil Johnnie Adams
The family of Peggy Bryan
The family of Tommy Miller Jr.

REFLECTIONS April/May 2021
by Rich Pollock, Worship Committee Chair



Celebrating the Light

As I look at my calendar for April and May, I realize spring is here and summer is just around the corner. With all that has gone on with our weather this winter (rain, rain, and more rain) and the social interaction restrictions due to the pandemic, I am more than ready for summer! How about you?

Another thing that my calendar reminds me is that the months of April and May usher in the season of Easter (April 4 -May 22) which ends on Pentecost Sunday (May 23). Then it is only a week until Trinity Sunday (May 30) and Memorial Day (Monday, May 31) which is the “opening day” of summer.

So, think about this. Between the dark days of winter and the bright days of summer is the season of Easter. As I pondered this, I think God was trying to say something to me... Dark days, whether caused by rain, pandemic, or even death can only be overcome by the light of Jesus’ resurrection! Easter is what turns the dark days of winter into the bright days of summer. In every resurrection story in the Gospels, a great or brilliant light is mentioned. Indeed, Jesus is the “true light that gives light to everyone” (John 1:9). With this light comes understanding, hope, joy and peace.

So, during these days in April and May, ponder how Jesus has enriched and enlightened your life through the power of His resurrection. And remember His last words spoken on earth before He ascended into heaven, “and surely, I will be with you always, to the very end of the age” (Mt. 28:20).



Sponsor a Minister for 2022

As we enjoy spring and look forward to summer, it's difficult to think of a fall deadline, but minister applications for 2022 are due by October 19, 2021. Applications are in the brochure racks in the chapel.

Affiliates wishing to sponsor a minister are to complete their portion of the application before giving it to their chosen minister. The minister should then complete the application and submit it to the Minister Selection Committee before October 19.

If you have questions or would like an application, please contact Dan Longest (305-301-3388; dclcompany@gmail.com) or Hope Longest (305-342-3902; hopeglnc@gmail.com), Minister Selection committee co-chairs.

EAMC MEMORIAL LIST



Easter 2020-Easter 2021

2020

Apr 19 | **James Rufus "JR" Maynard**

Apr 23 | **Joseph "Joe" Patterson**

Jun 28 | **Mildred Price Wilson**

Jul 12 | **Peggy Russell Bryan**

Jul 26 | **Carolyn Bond Morrison**

Oct 12 | **Betty Church**

Nov 12 | **Betsy Ross Huffman Rouse**

Nov 24 | **Leah Harris Michelow**
Dec 19 | **Benjamin Monroe Morris**

2021

Jan 3 | **Linda Edwards Brown**
Jan 4 | **Lorenzo Dow "LD" Smith**
Jan 6 | **Mary Morris Ganong**
Jan 11 | **Charles "Chuck" Broadway Honke**
Feb 11 | **Joanne Dixon Clark**

APRIL & MAY MINISTERS

APRIL 2021 (WORSHIP 10am)

4 EASTER

Pastor Chris Thore

Methodist
Senior Pastor
First Wesleyan Church, High Point NC
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Blackorby, Durham NC

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Reverend Eric Beckman

Presbyterian
Associate Pastor
Greenwich Presbyterian Church, Nokesville VA
Sponsor: Mrs. Lisa Heckathorn, Warrenton VA

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Reverend Kay H. Fry

Methodist
Lead Pastor
Stony Hill United Methodist Church, Albemarle NC
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sherron, Topsail Beach, NC

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Reverend Dr. Philip Gladden

Presbyterian
Minister
Wallace Presbyterian Church (PLUSA), Wallace NC
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Miller, Surf City NC

MAY 2021 (WORSHIP 10am; MAY 30 also 8am)

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Reverend John Cook

Baptist
Pastor
Snyder Memorial Baptist Church, Fayetteville NC
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Mike Scaparrotti, Topsail Beach

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Reverend Dr. Jerry Harper

Baptist
Retired Minister
Graham, NC
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Larry Combs, Topsail Beach NC

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Reverend Joyce Gulliford

Lutheran (EICA)
Retired Minister
St. Augustine FL
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Bill Howington, Topsail Beach NC

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Reverend Grant Staubs

Baptist
Lead Pastor
Mid-Way Baptist Church, Raleigh NC
Sponsor: Mrs. Lee Bryan, Raleigh NC

30 WORSHIP 8am & 10am

Reverend Curtis Campbell

Methodist
Retired Pastor
Wilmington NC
Sponsors: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnett, Topsail Beach NC

To view the entire 2021 guest minister list, [click here.](#)





with EAMC for Sunday School & Bible Study

Join these Christian Education Programs at any time!

SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 8:30 a.m.

You can also join in person on the upper floor of the Fellowship House.

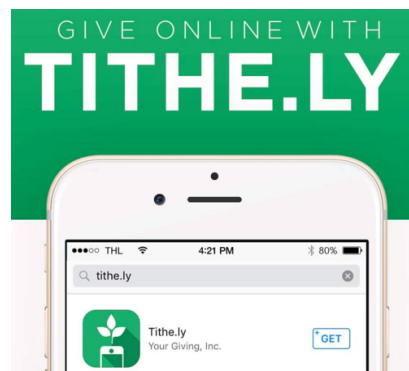
- Contact [Julia Pollock](#) to get the Zoom link.
- Contact [Rich Pollock](#) to receive weekly lesson notes and quarterly study guides.

WOMEN'S FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY @ 9 a.m.

- Contact [Julia Pollock](#) to get the Zoom link.
- Contact [Nancy Green](#) for more information.

MEN'S FRIDAY BIBLE STUDY @ 9 a.m.

- Contact [David Barnes](#) to get the Zoom link or for more information.
- 2/26 – 4/30 The Second Book of Peter. (Note: we WILL meet on Good Friday 4/2.) [STUDY SCHEDULE](#)
- 5/7 – 8/6 John and Jude. [STUDY SCHEDULE](#)
- *Beginning May 7, we will resume meeting in person in the upper room of the Fellowship House.*



Give Online



Emma Anderson Memorial Chapel is a nondenominational church that gathers for worship, the preaching and teaching of God's Word, and Christian fellowship.

Our mission is to glorify God and to proclaim Jesus Christ is Lord and Savior of all.

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