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10:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE
SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017

Fifth Sunday of Easter

ORGAN (ZION) EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
SALISBURY, NORTH CAROLINA

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1515 Organ Church Road, Salisbury, North Carolina 28146
Rev. Carlin Ours, Pastor; Mark Brown, Choir Director; Jana Thomas, Organist

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WORSHIP SERVICE

Welcome and Announcements

† (Congregation will please stand.) (Congregation responses are in bold.)

GATHERING

† **Invocation**

P: In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

C: **Amen**

† **The Confession and Forgiveness**

P: Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: **Amen**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

P: Gracious God,

C: **have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by**

your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

P: God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **C: Amen**

Note: Hymns are from the "Red" (ELW) Hymnal unless specified.

† Hymn: "Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

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Children's Sermon (3 yr. to 5th grade) dismissed to attend Children's Church.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM FOR SCOTT BLACKWELL

P: In holy baptism our gracious heavenly Father liberates us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; in the waters of baptism we are reborn children of God and inheritors of eternal life. By water and the Holy Spirit we are made members of the church which is the body of Christ. As we live with him and with his people, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God. Trusting in the grace and love of God, do you **Scott** desire to be baptized?

Answer: I do.

PRESENTATION

P: **Scott**, as you present yourself for baptism in Christian love, you are entrusted with gifts & responsibilities: **LIVE** among God's faithful people, Come to the services of worship in God's house, Learn the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments. As **you** grow in years, you should: **PLACE** in **your** hands the Holy Scriptures, **PROVIDE** for **your** instruction in the Christian faith, so that **you** may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and lead a godly

life until the day of Jesus Christ. Do you promise to fulfill these obligations? **Answer I do.**

P: Family and friends, do you promise to nurture **Scott** in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, help **him** live in the covenant of baptism, support and pray for **him** in **his** new life in Christ? **We do.**

RENUNCIATION OF EVIL

P: I ask you to reject sin, profess your faith in Christ, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

C: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

C: I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

C: I renounce them.

Do you turn to Christ as your Lord and Savior?

C: In faith I turn to Christ

PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

C: I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. 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.

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

C: 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. Amen.

*(*which means "the holy Christian church")*

THE THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring, you are the fire of rebirth. Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for cloud and rain, for dew and snow. Your waters are below us, around us, above us: our life is born in you. You are the fountain of resurrection.

P: Praise to you for your saving waters: Noah and the animals survived the flood, Hagar discovered your well. The Israelites escaped through the sea, and they drank from your gushing rock. Naaman washed away his disease, and the Samaritan woman's thirst was satisfied.

P: At this font, holy God, we pray: Praise to you for the water of baptism and for your Word that saves us in this water. Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation. Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Wash away the sin within us, and drown the evil around us.

P: Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

BAPTISM

P: **Scott**, I baptize you in the name of the Father, (*water is poured*)
And of the Son, (*water is poured again*)

And of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (*water is poured a final time*)

Blessed be God, the source of all life, the word of salvation, and the spirit of mercy! **Amen.**

LAYING ON OF HANDS

P: Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your child, **Scott** new birth. Wash **him** from sin, and raise **him** to eternal life. *(The presiding minister lays both hands on the head of the newly baptized.)*

P: Sustain **Scott** with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

SEALING WITH THE SIGN OF THE CROSS & ANOINTING WITH OIL

(In the Old Testament, the anointing of oil signifies a person being chosen by God. The sign of the cross is made on the forehead of each of the baptized.)

P: **Scott**, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit, and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

THE BAPTISMAL CANDLE

(A lighted candle is given to the newly baptized. This candle connects the death & resurrection of Jesus with our baptismal death & resurrection to new life.)

P: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Receive this baptismal candle which is to be lighted at each anniversary of **your** baptism as a reminder of the glory and obligation which Baptism bestows.

P: Let us pray: O God, the giver of life, look with kindness upon this family. Let them ever rejoice in the gift you have given them. Make them teachers and examples of righteousness for **him**. Strengthen them in their own baptism, so they may share eternally with **Scott** the salvation you have given them, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

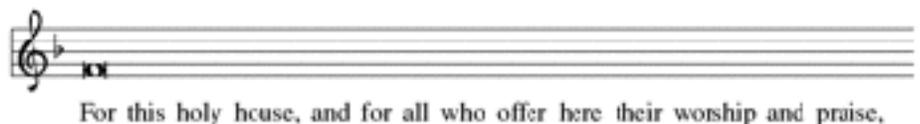
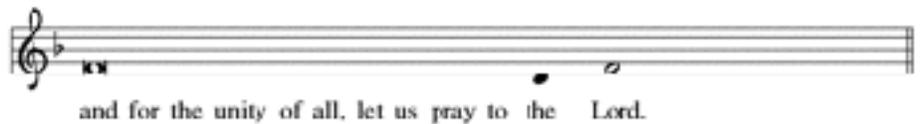
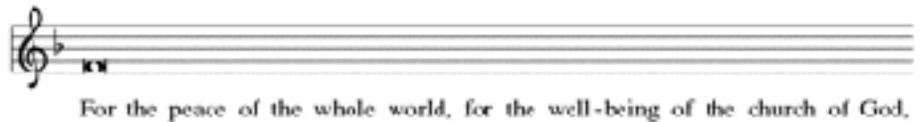
PRESENTATION and WELCOME

(The pastor presents the newly baptized to the congregation.)

C: We welcome you into the Lord's family. We receive you as a fellow member of the body of Christ, as children of the same heavenly Father, and as workers with us in the kingdom of God.

P: May the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor (+), and give you his peace.

C: Amen.



Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And with you.

† Kyrie.....

Canticle of Praise:

“Glory to God”

Refrain
Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav- en- ly king, al- might- y God and Fa- ther, we
wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain
2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa- ther,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a- way the sin of the
world: have mer - cy, have mer- cy on us; you are sent - ed
at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re- ceive our prayer.

3 For you a- lone are the Ho- ly One, you a- lone are the Lord,
you a- lone are the Most High, Je- sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
in the glo- ry of God the Fa- ther. A - men.

† Prayer of the Day

O God, you make the minds of the faithful to be of one will. Grant that your people would love what you command and desire what you promise, that, among the manifold changes of this world, our hearts may there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy

Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen

OFFERING

† **Offertory Hymn: “Create in Me”**

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WORD

FIRST READING: ACTS 6: 1–9, 7: 2a, 51–60

¹Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. ²And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” ⁵And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them. ⁷And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith. ⁸And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. ⁹Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen.

^{2a}And Stephen said:

⁵¹“You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the Holy Spirit. As your fathers did, so do you. ⁵²Which of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? And they killed those who announced beforehand the coming of the Righteous One, whom you have now betrayed and murdered, ⁵³you who received the law as delivered by angels and did not keep it.” ⁵⁴Now when they heard these

things they were enraged, and they ground their teeth at him. ⁵⁵But he, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. ⁵⁶And he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.” ⁵⁷But they cried out with a loud voice and stopped their ears and rushed together at him. ⁵⁸Then they cast him out of the city and stoned him. And the witnesses laid down their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. ⁵⁹And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” ⁶⁰And falling to his knees he cried out with a loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

PSALM 146

¹Hallelujah! Praise the Lord, O my soul! I will praise the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being. **²Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, for there is no help in them.** ³When they breathe their last, they return to earth, and in that day their thoughts perish. **⁴Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! whose hope is in the Lord their God;** ⁵Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; who keeps his promise forever; **⁶Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.** ⁷The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; **⁸The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.** ⁹The Lord shall reign forever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SECOND READING: 1 PETER 2: 2–10

²Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation — ³if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. ⁴As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, ⁵you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶For it stands in Scripture: “Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone

chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” ⁷So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” ⁸and “A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense.” They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do. ⁹But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

† **P:** The Holy Gospel according to **ST. JOHN 14th CHAPTER**

† **C:** **Glory to you, O Lord**

† **GOSPEL: JOHN 14: 1–14**

¹{Jesus said,} “Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to where I am going.” ⁵Thomas said to him, “Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?” ⁶Jesus said to him, “I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷If you had known me, you would have known my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him.” ⁸Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” ⁹Jesus said to him, “Have I been with you so long, and you still do not know me, Philip? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, ‘Show us the Father’? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority, but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me, or else believe on account of the works themselves. ¹²“Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father. ¹³Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be

glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord. **C:** Praise to you, O Christ.

THE SERMON

Pastor Ours

† Hymn: "Beautiful Savior"

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THANKSGIVING

Prayer of the Church

After each portion of the prayers:

P: Lord, in your mercy, **C:** hear our prayer.

The prayers conclude:

P: ...through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **C:** Amen

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; 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.

SENDING

† Benediction

† Hymn: "Let All Things Now Living"

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† Dismissal/Doxology

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† Postlude

Scott Blackwell will be baptized at today's service.

LESSONS FOR NEXT WEEK:

Acts 17:16-31, Psalm 66:8-20, 1 Peter 3:13-22, John 14:15-21

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS WEEK AT ORGAN

TODAY: Sunday, May 14, 2017 “Happy Mother’s Day”

- 9:00 am Chat-N-Chew
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service

The LOOSE OFFERING collected today goes to the Randall Gore Scholarship.

Monday, May 15, 2017

- 7:00 pm Exercise/Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 17, 2017

- 10:30 am Prayer & Communion (Cornerstone Class)
- 11:00 am Bible Study Class
- 6:30 pm Prayer & Communion
- 7:00 pm Bible Study Class
- 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Thursday, May 18, 2017

- 7:00 pm Exercise/Fellowship Hall

Saturday, May 20, 2017

- 5:30 pm Mother/Daughter Banquet

Next Sunday, May 21, 2017 (3rd Sunday)

- 9:00 am Chat-N-Chew
- 9:30 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am Worship Service will be outside in the Shelter with lunch after.

The LOOSE OFFERING collected on May 21 goes to Rowan Helping Ministries.

SPECIAL PRAYERS FOR

Ashley Sapp	Scott Shoe	Renee Wright	Larry Brown
Leo Miller	John Sifford	Karen McLellan	Fred Basinger
Paul Lambe	Floyd Goodman	Colleen Fesperman	
Kay Lambe	Ray Fryer	Chad Culp	Sharon Sapp
Vida Stirewalt	Tom Hartman	Ann Donahue	Jackie Brown

Friends: Ed Hirst Short Sifford

Mike Sifford Michael Cox Scarlett Livingood
Roger Harwood (piano turner) Bill Thompson (Bob's brother)

THE PEDSITAL FLOWERS are given today to the glory of God in loving honor of all our Mother's here today and in loving memory of those gone before us and in special memory of Miss Amber Basinger for her 23rd Birthday from her family.



THE LOOSE OFFERING COLLECTED TODAY- on Mother's Day, will go to The Randall Gore Scholarship Fund.

**ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES' DONATION
FOR MAY is TEA BAGS.**

Place the items in the bins in the breezeway.

HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES OF 2017 -We are asking that you send an article about your college plans, or what you're planning to study or major, what college.... Please email it to the church: organchurch@charlotte.twcbc.com or bring it by the church office for Connie to put in the June Organ Chimes newsletter before May 21.

NEW MEMBERS, CONFIRMANTS AND GRADUATES BANQUET will be held on Sunday, June 4 after church in the Fellowship Hall. New members, confirmants and high school graduates will be our guest. Invitations have been mailed to them. The meal will be barbeque, chicken, slaw, baked beans, roll and dessert. The congregation is invited to attend the banquet. The cost of the meal is \$5.00 at the door. Please sign-up on the insert in today's bulletin if you are attending.

ORGAN'S OUTDOOR WORSHIP SERVICE is May 21 at 10:30 in the picnic shelter. A meal will be served after service.

IT'S AGAPE CAMP TIME AGAIN!! (July 24—28)

First, we will be signing up children who are members of Organ (or parents/grandparents are members) on Sunday, May 21 and May 28. Agape Camp is for children that have completed kindergarten through 8th grade. If we don't fill camp from our church members, we will then except children from outside the church.

VOLUNTEERS FOR MAY 2017

Head Usher: Darrell Simpson

Date	Ushers	Tellers	Greeters
14 MOTHER'S DAY	Bill Shive, Dennis Holshouser, Mac & Karen McLellan	Darrell Simpson LuAnn Phelps Heather Coleman	Tim & Shirley Misenheimer
21	Bill Shive, Dennis Holshouser, Mac & Karen McLellan	Darrell Simpson LuAnn Phelps Heather Coleman	Tim & Shirley Misenheimer
28	Bill Shive, Dennis Holshouser, Mac & Karen McLellan	Darrell Simpson LuAnn Phelps Heather Coleman	Tim & Shirley Misenheimer

Date	Acolytes	Crucifer	Lector
14 MOTHER'S DAY	Braden Shive Bryson Shive	Hunter Hill	Mary Kimmer
21	Riley McCullough Mallory Bentley	Kellin Ours	Jonathan McCullough
28	Celia & Camrie Sifford	Jacob Poston	Fran Simpson

APRIL 30, 2017 TELLER REPORT

Needed for weekly 2017 BUDGET: (\$5,784.45)

General Fund	\$	6,282.00
Building & Repair	\$	105.00

Direct Deposit/General Fund	\$	220.00
AC Fund	\$	1,600.00
Sunday School Rm. Remodel (from Meal)	\$	761.00
Organ Com. Outreach/Loose offering	\$	79.00
Missionary Fund/Hill	\$	300.00
Sunday School Attendance	87	59.50
10:30 Worship Service	214	

NEW MEMBERS, CONFIRMANDS AND GRADUATES BANQUET
Congregation is invited!

Sunday, June 4, 2017

Immediately following worship service in the
Fellowship Hall

Cost \$5 a meal

Name _____ # Attending _____