

# Welcome to Worship at Valdosta FUMC

April 4, 2021

Easter Day

White

**SANCTUARY**

**11:00 AM**

THE PRELUDE.....Linda Downing,Cindy Lovan,  
Ensemble, and Brass Quintet  
*Because He Lives* arr. Raney

THE INVITATION TO WORSHIP.....Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail

THE OPENING PRAYER.....Rev. Diane Shedd

\*THE HYMN OF PRAISE.....No. 302  
*Christ the Lord is Risen Today*

\*THE SCRIPTURE READING.....Dr. McPhail  
*John 20:1-18*

THE OFFERTORY PRAYER.....Dr. McPhail

THE OFFERTORY.....Brass Quintet  
*Were You There* arr. Gale

\*THE DOXOLOGY.....No. 95  
*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

THE SERMON.....Dr. McPhail  
*Fresh Start! Seeing Clearly*

THE ANTHEM.....Ensemble and Brass Quintet  
*Fanfare for Easter Day Parks*

HOLY COMMUNION.....Dr. McPhail

\*THE CLOSING HYMN.....words on the screen  
*I Know that My Redeemer Lives*

\*THE BENEDICTION and BLESSING.....Dr. McPhail

\*THE POSTLUDE.....Brass Quintet  
*Hallelujah Chorus* arr. Frackenhohl

### Brass Quintet

Steve Myers, trumpet | Robert Watson, trumpet

Zachary Deacon, French horn | X'Zayvier Ingram, trombone | Ernesto Moor, tuba

\*Please stand if able.

Nursery is available for children ages infant to 5 years

## Spring Break Week-No Wednesday night activities!

NO Church Night Supper - Wednesday, April 7, 2021

CNS resumes - Wednesday, April 14, 2021

Chicken divan, Yellow rice, Vegetable blend, Grape salad and Cherry dump cake.  
(Dine-in or take out)

Adult, youth and children's studies to follow the meal and starts at 6:15 PM.

- Reservations and payment online!
- Quick curbside pick up Wednesday's 5:30-6:00 PM
- \$7 per meal for adults
- \$4 per meal 5th grade and below
- \$25 Family Max
- Online reservations due Tuesday's at 12 noon

[WWW.VALDOSTAFIRSTUMC.ORG/CHURCH-NIGHT-SUPPER](http://WWW.VALDOSTAFIRSTUMC.ORG/CHURCH-NIGHT-SUPPER)

### An Account of Our Stewardship 3/28/2021

Total In Person Worship Attendance	221
Total Online Worship Attendance	207
YTD Income	\$184,695.14
YTD Expenses	\$236,981.95
2021 Budget	\$1,108,522.55

Follow us on social media @valdostafumc and use our hashtag #valdostafumc when sharing your FUMC moments! To assist with our website, publications and social media; please email your FUMC photos to [epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org](mailto:epreaves@valdostafirstumc.org). All photos are appreciated and do not need to be recent, "throwback" pictures encouraged!

### Directory

Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail.....Senior Pastor  
Rev. Diane Shedd.....Associate Pastor  
Emily Reaves.....Director of Youth Ministries  
Kenji Bolden.....Director of Music Ministries  
Brad Tarpley.....Director of Children's Ministries  
Mallory Thompson.....Preschool Director  
Cindy Lovan.....Organist/Children's Music Director  
Linda Downing.....Pianist  
Mary Clare Tarpley.....Interim Nursery/Childcare Director  
Laura Leonard.....Congregational Care/Visitation  
Lily Spittal.....Financial Administrator  
Cheri Fugate.....Administrative Assistant  
Matt Felts.....Director of Audio Visual Production  
Davis Nipper.....Visual Tech Specialist  
Wendy Hart.....Audio Tech Specialist  
James Siler.....Custodian/Church Host  
Carri Bedene.....Custodian  
Mary Ann Saliba.....Church Hostess  
Matt Mullis.....Clergy Intern  
Ross Tucker.....Youth Ministry Assistant  
Josh Holloway.....Maintenance

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### THE BULLETIN

April 4, 2021

*Celebrating Our 162nd Year*

*Alive Together in Christ. Loving, Growing, & Serving.*

Are You Looking for a Fresh start?

“Christ Is Risen!”/“He Is Risen, Indeed!” This call and response formulates a familiar greeting around churches on Easter Sunday, and it dates back several centuries. Formally we know it as the “Pascal Greeting”, and within it the tense is important. When Christians greet one another with the Pascal Greeting, they do not say “Christ Rose”/“He Rose Indeed”. Sometimes we make the mistake of thinking of the resurrection as only a historical event, but the present tense of this greeting reminds us that Christ is still in fact “risen”. As we celebrate the resurrection, we not only celebrate something that happened...we celebrate something that keeps happening!

We see the resurrection happening whenever we see new life around us. When people have a breakthrough in their lives, and experience salvation and new life, it is a reminder that the resurrection keeps happening. In our worshiping community, we have gotten the sense of new life as we see many of our beloved church members returning to worship for the first time in a year. We celebrated the spirit of new life as we worshiped in the beautiful outdoors last week with flowers blooming all around us, children running around smiling, and people of all ages worshiping together in a Spirit-filled harmony.

Personally, I want us to be a church of new life, where the resurrection is not a once-a-year memorial, but an every week experience. I want to see our current members hopes restored, new faces joining us on a regular basis, and lives being changed amongst the young and the old, and the familiar and the new. It all begins with knowing the tense of what we will proclaim this week – Christ IS Risen, Indeed!

Anthony <><

## ALTAR GUILD MINISTRY TEAM April 2021

Flowers – Jane Stanaland  
Communion - Margaret McCranie | Judy Bridges  
Baptism - Maurie Tarpley

The Altar Guild Assignments for 2021 are posted on the FUMC website under Useful Links.  
[www.valdostafirstumc.org/useful-links](http://www.valdostafirstumc.org/useful-links)

### MEMORIALS:

In memory of **Brinkley Leona Elizabeth Laws McNeal**: Mark & Cathy Buescher  
In memory of **All who have gone before us**: Susan & Ray Ring  
In memory of **Charles Edgar "Sonny" Grow, Jr.**: Stan & Sue Cox

### CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY to:

The McNeal family regarding **Walter Paul McNeal's** death on March 25, 2021.

### FLOWERS:

The flowers in the sanctuary are given for the glory of God.

**TEXT SIGN-IN:** Text (229) 459-4646 with one of these keywords to let us know you are a part of worship today:

- *Joining worship online today? Text **ONLINE** to (229) 459-4646 so we know who is worshipping online!*
- *Attending worship here for the first or second time today? Text **NEW** to (229) 459-4646 so we can connect with you better!*
- *Are you a member and/or regular attendee of Valdosta FUMC? Text **HERE** to (229) 459-4646 so we know you are present!*

*You may be prompted to fill out a brief "digital connection card" with basic contact information to help us connect with you better. Thanks!*

## Youth Ministry

6th - 12th grades



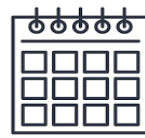
Sunday, April 11, 2021: Regular Sunday Night Youth Fellowship

### Upcoming:

Youth Mission Trip | June 2021: The Carolinas

Summer 2021: Beach Retreat

Dates: July 9-11



## Week of March 4 - April 11, 2021 Looking Ahead

### Sunday, April 4-Easter Sunday

9:00 AM Worship in the Loft (Communion)\*  
9:45 AM Sunday School\*  
11:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary (Holy Communion)\*  
5:00 PM NO Youth

### Monday, April 5

9:00 AM Spring break week/Preschool/MMO off  
Church office closed  
5:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

### Tuesday, April 6

9:00 AM Spring break week/Preschool off  
10:00 AM Women's Bible Study (Becky Anthony)  
10:00 AM Precept Bible Study (Wesleyan)

### Wednesday, April 7

9:00 AM Spring break week/Preschool/MMO off  
No Wednesday night activities

### Thursday, April 8

9:00 AM Spring break week/Preschool off

### Friday, April 9

9:00 AM Spring break week/Preschool off

### Sunday, April 11

9:00 AM Worship in the Loft \*  
9:45 AM Sunday school  
11:00 AM Worship in the Sanctuary \*  
Children's Church  
5:00 PM Youth Fellowship (Youth Room)

\*Nursery available for children, age birth to five years



We will be having a Youth Parent's Mission Trip Info meeting **April 25 from 6:30PM-7:15PM.**

Save the date so you can get more info about mission trip!

Mission Trip sign-up deadline will be **the next Sunday (May 2)** so be praying and talking about it with your youth!

## CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

April 4, 2021 9:00 AM

Fresh Start! Seeing Clearly

John 20:1-18

Rev. Dr. Anthony McPhail

### Praise Team

Kenji Bolden

Worship leader

Tori Maxwell, vocals

Matt Mullis, guitar and vocals

Courtney Bolden, vocals

Mike Godwin, bass

Leslie Smith, drums

## Preschool/MMO Ministry 2-4 year olds/8 weeks old - 2 year olds

Fall registration continues. Limited spots are available.

For more information email [mthompson@valdostafirstumc.org](mailto:mthompson@valdostafirstumc.org) or visit the church website at [valdostafirstumc.org/preschoolmmo](http://valdostafirstumc.org/preschoolmmo)

### Upcoming Events:

Spring Break is the week of April 5th-April 9th! No Preschool/MMO

April 21st: Individual Spring pictures, class pictures and Pre-K4 graduate pictures.

## Children's Ministry

K - 5th grade

### This Sunday, April 4, 2021 (Easter)

9:00 AM No Children's Moment in the Loft Service (Communion)  
9:45 AM ROCK Music with the ROCK Sunday School immediately following  
11:00 AM No Children's Church in Sanctuary Service (Holy Communion)

### Upcoming:

Wednesday, April 4, 2021 **NO ACTIVITIES: Spring break week**

### Sunday, April 11:

9:00 AM Children's Moment in the Loft Service  
9:45 AM ROCK Music with the ROCK Sunday School immediately following  
11:00 AM Children's Church in the Sanctuary Service

## HYMN STUDY

Resumes Tuesday, April 13 at Noon in The Parlor

Lead by Kenji Bolden



Remember in Prayer

Known illness and/or need as of Tuesday

Community | Country | Church leaders | Capital Campaign

Teresa Steinberg | Sarah Moon Rathel | Joanne Harrison | Kathryn Connell

Dennis Fenstermaker | Aliene Nazzaro | Doris Townsend | Nursing home members