

# Welcome

**Easter Sunday**

April 17, 2022

10:30 a.m. Worship & Holy Communion



## **UNION LUTHERAN CHURCH**

*Christ Centered - Mission Driven - Traditionally-Grounded - Congregationally Focused*

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## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE                                      Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds                                      Pavlechko

*For centuries musicians have taken events and brought them to life through music. So, it is with the prelude today. The music begins with a bold fanfare reminding all that Christ is risen, he is risen indeed! Then we are taken back to the first Easter morning. The next section is the quietness of the early morning hour. Following is a section representing the two women walking to the tomb to attend to the body of Christ according to Jewish rite. They seem to be calmly discussing what awaits them. Then, the tomb. The place where Christ was laid. Next, the realization that Christ is not there, and the instructions by the angel to go and tell the disciples that he has risen. We truly hear the two women hurrying to do so. Finally, the piece ends with another bold fanfare proclaiming that Christ is risen, he is risen indeed!*

*The Altar Candles are lit at this time during the Prelude.*

*The minister leads the congregation in the invocation.*

*Please stand as able.*

P     Christ is Risen!

C     **He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

P     Joyful greetings, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (Matt. 28:19)

C     **Amen**

## BRIEF ORDER FOR 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     If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-9)

*Silence for reflection and self-examination.*

P     Most merciful God,

C     **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen**

*The minister stands and addresses the congregation.*

P     Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:22-23)

C     **Amen**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

143 Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

1 Now all the vault of heav'n re-sounds In praise of love that  
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings, There - fore our heart with  
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt-less love; Set heart and will on  
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And with the heav'n - ly

still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"  
 things a - bove That we con - quer through your tri - umph;  
 bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!"

Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song  
 Now still he comes to give us life And by his pres -  
 Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's day That by our lives  
 Be to the Fa - ther, and our Lord, To Spir - it blest,

of glo - ry here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"  
 ence stills all strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!  
 we tru - ly say: Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!  
 most ho - ly God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

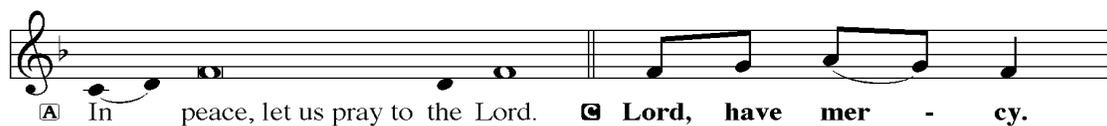
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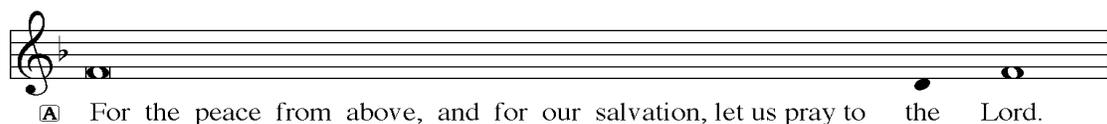
**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** **And also with you.**

KYRIE (Mark 10:47)



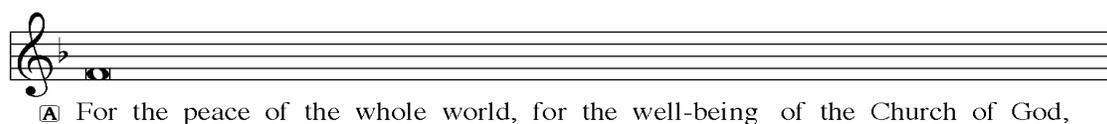
**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mer - cy.**



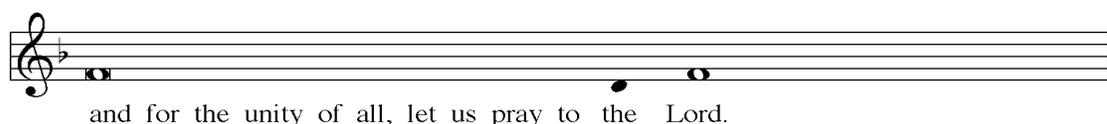
**A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** **Lord, have mer - cy.**



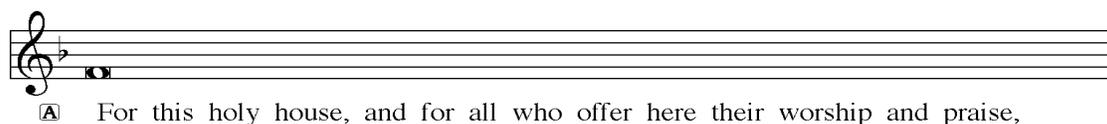
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



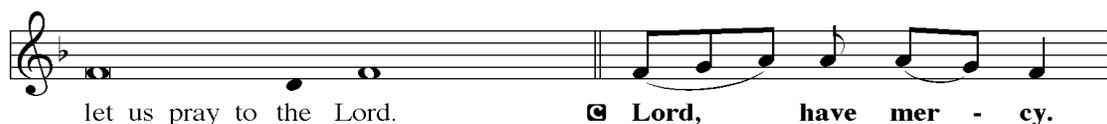
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** **Lord, have mer - cy.**



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **C** **Lord, have mer - cy.**



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** **A - men**

HYMN OF PRAISE (Luke 2:14; John 1:29; Revelation 5:12-13; 19:5-9)

☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was  
slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.  
☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.  
☐ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia,  
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. ☐ Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and  
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and  
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **II** For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.  
**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

SALUTATION (2 Timothy 4:22)

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

**P** Let us pray. Almighty God, you have overcome death through your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, and have opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly beseech you that as you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen**

*Please be seated.*

*We read scripture from the Old Testament, Apostolic Letters and the Gospels because faith comes from hearing. (Romans 10:17)*

FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 65:17-25

<sup>17</sup>“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. <sup>18</sup>But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. <sup>19</sup>I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of

weeping and the cry of distress. <sup>20</sup>No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. <sup>21</sup>They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. <sup>22</sup>They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. <sup>23</sup>They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. <sup>24</sup>Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. <sup>25</sup>The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

Lay Reader Here ends the reading.

PSALM 16 *sung in unison*

- <sup>1</sup>Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you;\*  
I have said to the Lord, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."  
<sup>2</sup>All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land,\*  
upon those who are noble among the people.  
<sup>3</sup>But those who run after other gods\*  
shall have their troubles multiplied.  
<sup>4</sup>Their libations of blood I will not offer,\*  
nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.  
<sup>5</sup>O Lord, you are my portion and my cup;\*  
it is you who hold my lot.  
<sup>6</sup>My boundaries enclose a pleasant land;\*  
indeed, I have a goodly heritage.  
<sup>7</sup>I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel;\*  
my heart teaches me, night after night.  
<sup>8</sup>I have set the Lord always before me;\*  
because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.  
<sup>9</sup>My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices;\*  
my body also shall rest in hope.  
<sup>10</sup>For you will not abandon me to the grave,\*  
nor let your holy one see the Pit.  
<sup>11</sup>You will show me the path of life;\*  
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and  
in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:19-26

<sup>19</sup>If in Christ we have hope in this life only, we are of all people most to be pitied. <sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the

dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Lay Reader Here ends the reading.

#### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN'S ANTHEM Come Join and Sing Alleluia (Kemp) Kids Choir

*Please stand as you are able.*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the 24th chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL: Luke 24:1-12

<sup>1</sup>But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, {the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee} went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. <sup>2</sup>And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, <sup>3</sup>but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. <sup>4</sup>While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. <sup>5</sup>And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? <sup>6</sup>He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, <sup>7</sup>that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." <sup>8</sup>And they remembered his words, <sup>9</sup>and returning from the tomb they told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. <sup>10</sup>Now it was Mary Magdalene and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told these things to the apostles, <sup>11</sup>but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. <sup>12</sup>But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home marveling at what had happened.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

SERMON When the Impossible becomes Possible Pastor Heidi Punt

*Please stand as you are able.*

HYMN Jesus Christ is Risen Toady LBW# 151

NICENE CREED (Romans 10:9-10)

P Let us confess our faith in the Triune God

C **We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

*\*Or, We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.*

THE PRAYERS (1 Timothy 2:1-4)

P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*After each portion of the prayers:*

P Lord, in your mercy,

**C hear our prayer.**

*The prayers conclude:*

P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen**

THE PEACE (John 20:19)

*In an attempt to be vigilant and responsible, please use Hand Sanitizers provided at each entrance.*

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

*Please be seated.*

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)

*The Offering is received as the Lord's Table is prepared. All loose offering will go towards the Building and Repair Fund. During the month of April, the Benevolence Teaching Moment is on the NALC Disaster Response. Please prayerfully consider giving to the Benevolence Fund.*

ANTHEM

Let the Trumpet Sound (Sleeth)

Chancel Choir

*Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERTORY (Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)

Let the vine - yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our  
cup of bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the  
seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gath - er the hopes and the dreams of all; u - nite them with the  
prayers we of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your  
pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

P Let us pray. Merciful Father,  
C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us--our selves,  
our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for  
the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

GREAT THANKSGIVING (2 Timothy 4:22)

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.  
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and salutary . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS (Isaiah 6:3 and Matthew 21:9)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:

Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION (Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)

P In the night in which he was betrayed,  
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;  
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,  
and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Matthew 6:9-13)

**C** 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

*Please be seated.*

COMMUNION (Mark 14:23)

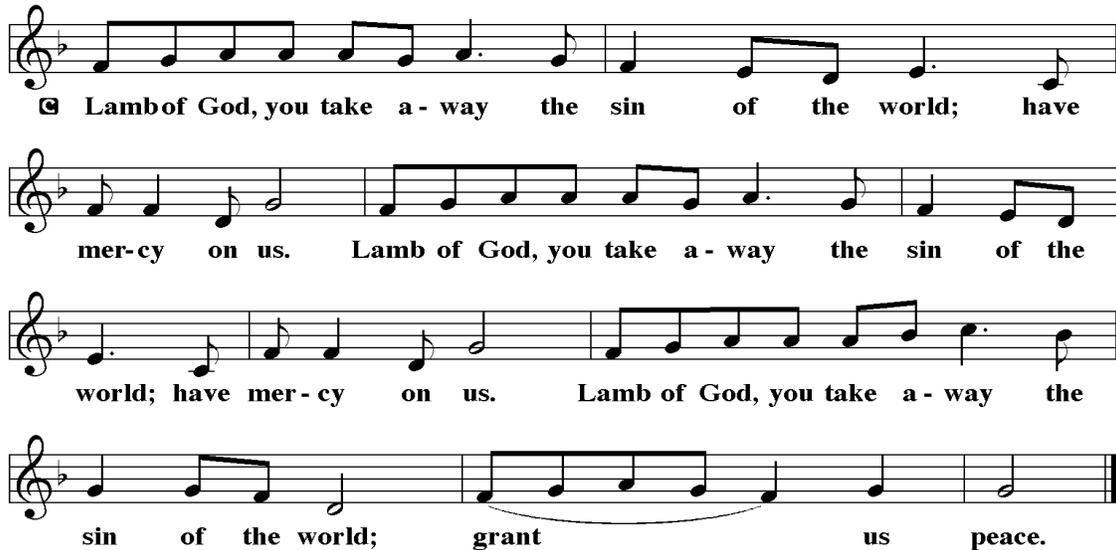
*As the minister gives the bread and wine, and says these words to each communicant:*

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

*The communicant may say: Amen*

*At Union Lutheran Church the Sacrament of Holy Communion is celebrated each Sunday. All baptized Christians who believe in the real presence of Christ in the Lord's Supper are invited to commune. All who do not commune are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Please follow the directions of the Ushers. For those who prefer individually sealed units please indicate. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available upon request.*

AGNUS DEI (John 1:29)



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have  
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sin of the world; grant us peace.

COMMUNION ANTHEM Let Us Break Bread Together (Adcock) Belles & Beaus

*After all have returned to their places, the minister may say these or similar words.*

*Please stand as you are able.*

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.  
C Amen

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (Luke 2:29-32)

☩ Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.  
Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.  
He re-calls his prom-is-es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with  
shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

PRAYER

*The following or a similar post-communion prayer is said.*

P Let us pray. Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.  
C Amen

BENEDICTION (Numbers 6:22-27)

*The minister blesses the congregation, using this or another appropriate blessing.*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.  
C Amen

## Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the  
 2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he  
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment  
 greets thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness  
 out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes  
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;  
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

*Refrain*  
 where thy bod - y lay.  
 death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring  
 to thy home a - bove.



**THE SENDING** (Matthew 28:19)

*The minister may dismiss the congregation.*

**P** You have been nurtured in Word and Sacrament now go therefore and make disciples of all nations

**C** **Baptizing them in the name of the Father, Son and of the Holy Spirit.**

**P** Union Lutheran Church you are sent!

**C** **Amen, amen, amen**

*Please be seated.*

POSTLUDE

Rondo Jubilee (Austin)

Belles & Beaus

**Next Week's Readings (April 24):**

Acts 5:12-20 [21-32]; Psalm 148; Revelation 1:4-18; John 20:19-31



**“A SIMPLE EXPLANATION OF THE CHURCH SERVICE”**

*Welcome to church! As you participate in the church service, we will be providing you with weekly nuggets to help you understand more of what is happening, why it is happening, and some of the special language used in church.*

**NUGGET #26: POST COMMUNION CANTICLE** (Nunc Dimittis: Latin for “now let [your servant] depart.”)

At the close of Holy Communion, the pastor closes and covers the sacred vessels with a veil, and the congregation stands to sing the **Nunc Dimittis**. The use of Simeon’s song as a **Post Communion Canticle** is a unique element of Lutheran liturgy. Like Simeon, we encounter Christ in flesh and blood.

*“Lord, now You are letting Your servant depart in peace, according to Your word; for my eyes have seen Your salvation that You have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to Your people Israel.” Luke 2:29-32*

*(“A Simple Explanation of the Church Service”, page 26, Concordia Publishing House, 2018)*

## THOSE SERVING IN APRIL

**Acolytes:** Abbey and Morgan Deaton, Micah and Samuel Nguyen

**Altar Guild:** Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

**Trumpeter:** Brad Huffman

**Instrumentalists:** Jesse Morgan, Luke Whitley, Corbin Kesler, and Hudson Miller

**Communion Assistants:** Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

**Lay Readers:** Jennifer and Scott Curlee, and Cathy Painter

**Ushers:** Phil and Linda Cauble, Mike and Brenda Cauble, and Frank and Dawn Merrell

**Offering Counters:** Jennifer Curlee, Doris Shepherd, and Wayne Vellines

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Lutheran Book of Worship Setting 1 (pages 56-76)

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# Union News...

## SUNDAY'S ACTIVITIES (APRIL 17, EASTER SUNDAY):

**7:30 a.m.** Sunrise Service

*Stoop, See and Believe*

**9:00 a.m.** Easter Breakfast

**10:30 a.m.** Easter Service

*When the Impossible becomes Possible*

Please bring flowers from home to place in the cross outside for Easter.

Deadline for May newsletter articles.

No Sunday School on Easter Sunday. We will enjoy fellowship and Food together!

## THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:

Monday, April 18

The church office is closed in observance of Easter.

Wednesday, April 20

2:00 p.m. Lay Ministers

## NEXT SUNDAY'S ACTIVITIES (APRIL 24):

**9:15 a.m.** Music Time with Preschool-5th Grade

**9:30 a.m.** Sunday School

**Children and Youth:** A Mercy Full Message ~ Luke 10:25-37

**Adult Sunday School Class:** Freedom in the King ~ John 8:31-38

**10:30 a.m.** Worship & Holy Communion

The Commission of Christ~ John 20:19-31

**New: 2:00 p.m.** Finance, Scholarships, Endowment, & Franz Merrell Community Crisis

**4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.** Luther League (Middle/High School Youth)

*Deadline for Gerald Bame Scholarship Applications.*

*Nikki Nguyen has reserved the Altar Flowers for Sunday, April 24.*

*May Messenger's will be available to pick up from the Narthex.*

We are continuing to collect pennies for the Narthex Fund. The jar is located in the Narthex.

## CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

**Tuesday, April 26**

**6:30 p.m.** Bible 101 Acts

**Wednesday, April 27**

**10:30 a.m.** Bible 101 Acts

**Friday, April 29-Saturday, April 30**

Middle and High School Youth attending the Carolinas Mission Region Youth Lock-In

**Saturday, April 30**

**6:00 p.m.** Chicken Dinner in the Dutch Meeting Hall ~ Cost is \$10.00 per plate.

Menu: leg quarter, baked beans, slaw, roll, and variety of desserts

**Sunday, May 1**

**9:15 a.m.** Music Time with Preschool-5th Grade

**9:35 a.m.** Sunday School

**Children and Youth:** A Prayer Lesson ~ Luke 11:1-13

**Adult Sunday School Class:** Freedom from Sin ~ Romans 6:1-14

**10:30 a.m.** Worship & Holy Communion

A Second Chance ~ "If you don't succeed at first try, try, and try again"

John 21:1-19

**12:30 p.m.** Union Women

**2:00 p.m.** Christian Education, Sunday School, Youth & Family

The **Family of Cathy and Troy Painter** invite you to share in the joy of their **50th Anniversary** from **4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.** in the **Dutch Meeting Hall.**

**4:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m.** Union & Salem (Middle/High School) at Salem

**Tuesday, May 3**

**6:30 p.m.** Bible 101 Acts

**Wednesday, May 4**

**10:30 a.m.** Bible 101 Acts

**2:00 p.m.** Paint, Color, and Draw

**6:30 p.m.** Belles & Beaus

**7:30 p.m.** Chancel Choir

**Saturday, May 7**

Elbert Kluttz Family has reserved all day the large Fellowship Hall.

Pastors Dieter and Heidi Punt invite you to an **Open House** on **Saturday, May 7,** from **4:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.** to celebrate Nadia's graduation from ASU.

She has accepted a position as Math Teacher at a school in Iredell County.

## MISSION DRIVEN

### **APRIL BENEVOLENCE TEACHING MOMENT: NALC DISASTER RELIEF**

During the month of April, our Benevolence Teaching Moment will focus on the NALC Disaster Relief.

The **Social Ministry Committee, Mission Team, and congregation** is invited to work together to **collect items** to assemble **Health/Hygiene Kits** at Advent Lutheran Church, Kings Mountain, NC, on **May 21 at 12 noon**.

The Carolinas Mission Region is sponsoring a **Spring Mission Event on Saturday, May 21, from 12 noon-2:30 p.m.**

Items needed:

- 100 nail clippers
- 100 combs
- 100 spools of dental floss

Please prayerfully consider also donating new or used Bibles, gift cards to Home Depot, Lowe's, or Walmart, new bath towels, baby diapers, and wipes.

Containers will be in the hallway on the left side of the church and on the front pew.

Please hand print a Bible verse, message, and/or prayers to be placed inside each kit.

Thank you in advance for making this drive a success and aiding those suffering from a disaster!

*In June, ULC will be going on a **Mission Trip** to Blowing Green, KY. Please see Tara Davis for further details.*

*Located in the Narthex is a gas jug to place coins or dollars in to assist with gas expense for the Mission Trip. A sign up sheet is also available.*

### **How Can You Serve?**

The **Sunday School Classes** will be serving the **Community Care Clinic** in **Salisbury** during the month of April! Please donate brown lunch bags. The clinic uses the bags for their diabetic kits.

Everyone is invited to participate in this month's Sunday School project!

### **Carolinas Mission Region Convocation**

Friday, May 13-Saturday, May 14

Trinity Lutheran Church, Landis

Delegates: Pastor Heidi Punt, Janie Lesley, with Mary Hutchens, alternate

Theme: Evangelism: Bringing Others to Jesus

## PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER...

**Nursing Home Residents** - Brenda Mahaley, Pat & Wayne Miller, Ruth Monroe, and Jane Peeler (Autumn Care), and Jean Ray (Brookdale)

**Homebound Members** - Rachel Earnhardt, Jean Kluttz, Frances Norris, Zarah Plyler, Billy Waller, and Michael Walton

**Sick/Surgery/Recovery** - Kathleen Agner, Melissa Arey, Genevieve Baker, Bill Broadway, Jake Cauble, Mike Cauble, Linda Hartley, Steve Hutchens, Tommy and Joan Kerns, Pat Kluttz, Nancy Kesler, John Knight, Margaret Lyerly, Eric Miller, Donnie Miller, Harold Miller, Dusty Morgan, Gladys Morgan, Kay Morgan, Marvin Nunn, William Page, Wyatt Thompson, Ann Tucker, Effie Vellines, Pam Vellines, and Wayne Vellines

**Continual Prayer** - Nancy Ballew (mother of Kat Clifton), Nancy Barringer (cousin of Larry Barringer, Evonne Batten (mother of Lisa Morgan), Gary Brown (friend of Karen Barringer), Vanna Calloway (friend of Kat Clifton), Arnold Cauble, Janet Dunning (sister of Doris Shepherd), June Fraley, Pastor Gross (NALC Pastor in Ukraine with Russian invasion), Amy Lowder Harrison and Jesse Morgan, Jr., Emily Jones (sister of Jimmy Plyler), Teresa Kesler, Glenn and Betty Sue Lowder, Patsy Lyerly and Family, Joe and Sylvia McDaniel, David Mitchell (friend of Pete Nguyen), Della Morgan (mother of Pam Vellines), Dusty Morgan, Sr. Family (Dusty, Sr., Lisa, Felisaty, and Dusty, Jr.), Hong Nguyen (mother of Pete Nguyen), Laura Stokes (friend of Frank and Dawn Merrell), Mary Trexler (sister of Brenda and Linda Cauble and Margaret Lyerly), Brinley Rose Upchurch, Union Fire Department #76, Haiti (recent earthquakes), and those affected by natural or political disasters.

**Confirmation Students:** Mallory Eagle, Harlem Jones, Micah Nguyen (Faith Coach), Makenzie Poole, Emme Poole, Bailey Wilhelm, and Lucas Wilhelm

*Remember in Prayer List Note: We strive to list the prayer requests and names correctly. Please let us know if a correction is needed or you would like a name added/or returned to the list. If there is a name that can be removed, please contact the church office with that information as well. In an effort to keep the list current, we will update/remove prayer requests on a monthly basis, with the exception of known prolonged/ongoing issues. Thank you!*

