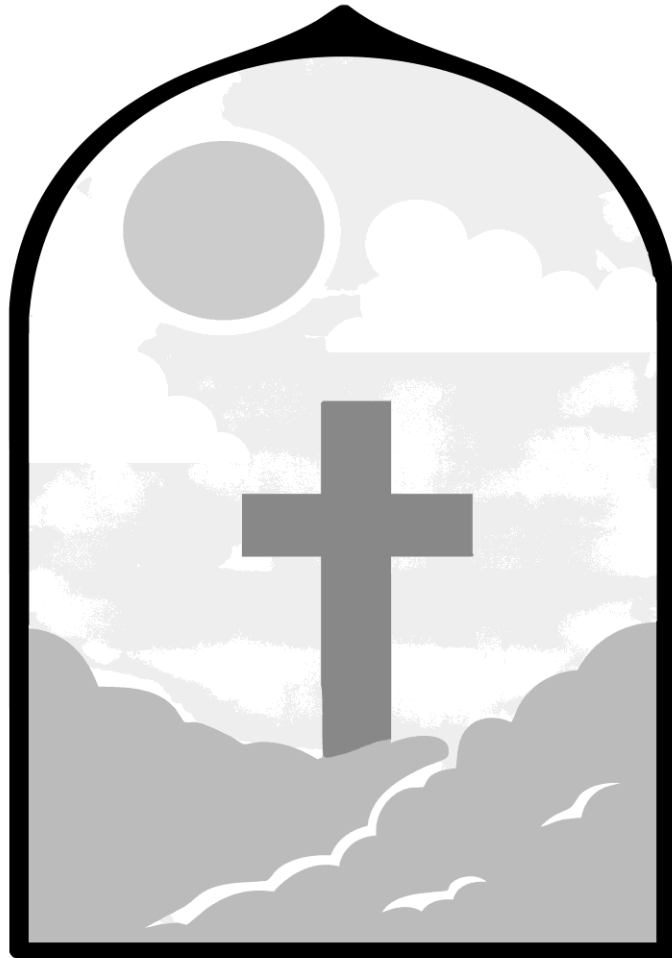


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Easter Sunday, April 5, 2026



Christ the Lord
is *Risen* Today

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Resurrection of Our Lord: Easter Day

Holy Communion

*stand +kneel

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE..Toccata on “Christ The Lord Is Risen Today”-arr. Diane Bish

***THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM**

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

P - Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C - **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

P - Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne and to the Lamb!

C - **Amen.**

P - Let us give thanks for the gifts of baptism.

Water may be poured into the font as the presiding minister continues.

P - Merciful God, you are the one who was, who is, and who is to come. You lead us beside still waters. We thank you for the waters of creation: morning dew, gentle rain, roaring waves. We thank you for the waters that nourish us. Blessed are you.

C - **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P - Jesus Christ, you are the faithful witness who accompanies us on our journeys. We give you thanks for your life-giving death and resurrection. We praise you for joining us in joy and sorrow. Blessed are you.

C - **You guide us to springs of the water of life.**

P - Holy Spirit, you anoint our head with oil and our cup overflows. Break down barriers that divide us. Fill us with the breath of peace. Blessed are you.

C - You guide us to springs of the water of life.

P - Holy One, we thank you for the gifts and grace of baptism, and for making us a new creation. We join with saints and angels, giving you honor and praise, now and forever.

C - Amen.

***GATHERING SONG.....“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” (ELW 365)**

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3; tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

***GREETING**

During this time, the presiding minister and the assembly greet each other.

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 (ELW p. 138)**

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

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

Lord, have mercy.

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.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen.

***CANTICLE OF PRAISE (ELW p. 140).....“This is the Feast”**

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. This is the feast of victory for our God.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

P - Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

P - O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C - Amen.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Acts 10:34-43

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, is a summary of the essential message of Christianity: Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, "receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

³⁴ Peter began to speak to [Cornelius and his household]: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every people anyone who fears him and practices righteousness is acceptable to him. ³⁶ You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷ That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he

went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

R - The word of the Lord.

C - Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24 (please read responsively)

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good;
God’s mercy en- | dures forever.

² **Let Israel | now declare,**
“God’s mercy en- | dures forever.”

¹⁴ The LORD is my strength | and my song,
and has become | my salvation.

¹⁵ **Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents | of the**
righteous: “The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!

¹⁶ The right hand of the LORD | is exalted!
The right hand of the | LORD acts valiantly!”

¹⁷ **I shall not | die, but live,**
and declare the works | of the LORD. R

¹⁸ The LORD indeed pun- | ished me sorely,
but did not hand me o- | ver to death.

¹⁹ **Open for me the | gates of righteousness;**
I will enter them and give thanks | to the LORD.

²⁰ “This is the gate | of the LORD;
here the righ- | teous may enter.”

²¹ **I give thanks to you, for you have | answered me**
and you have become | my salvation. R

²² The stone that the build- | ers rejected
has become the chief | cornerstone.

²³ **By the LORD has | this been done;
it is marvelous | in our eyes.**

²⁴ This is the day that the | LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be | glad in it. **R**

SECOND READING: Colossians 3:1-4

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

¹ If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on the things that are above, not on the things that are on earth, ³ for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

R - The word of the Lord.

C - Thanks be to God.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (ELW 142)**

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***GOSPEL: Matthew 28:1-10**

Sorrow gives way to "fear and great joy" when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

P - The holy gospel according to Matthew.

C - Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do

not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified.
⁶ He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place
where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised
from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you
will see him.’ This is my message for you.” ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly
with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met
them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet,
and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and
tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

P - The gospel of the Lord.

C - Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON


***HYMN OF THE DAY.....**

“Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” (ELW 367)

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds



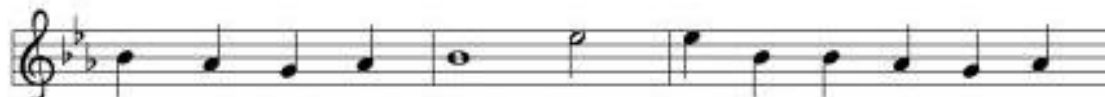
1 Now all the vault of heav'n re - sounds
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift he brings,
 3 Oh, fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love;
 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring



in praise of love that still a - bounds; "Christ has
 there - fore our heart with rap - ture sings; "Christ has
 set heart and will on things a - bove that we
 and with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing; "Christ has



tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of
 tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!" Now still he
 con - quer through your tri - umph; grant grace suf -
 tri - umphed! Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the



an - gels, loud and clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 comes to give us life and by his pres - ence stills all
 fi - cient for life's day that by our lives we tru - ly
 Fa - ther, and our Lord, to Spir - it blest, most ho - ly



here: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 strife. "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, all the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!



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

Text: Paul Z. Strodach, 1876-1947, alt.
 Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche Airchengesänge*, Köln, 1623
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***NICENE CREED**

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**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,*
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.**

+PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

P - Trusting in the power of Christ's resurrection to heal and redeem our broken world, let us pray for the needs of all creation.

A brief silence.

P - Risen Savior, you have conquered death and opened the gates of everlasting life. Dispel our doubts and fears and renew our faith and hope in you. Merciful God,

C - **receive our prayer.**

P - Life-giving God, the created world rejoices in Christ's victory over death. May all the earth be renewed by the light of Jesus' resurrection, and may we be faithful stewards of all you have made. Merciful God,

C - **receive our prayer.**

P - Sovereign God, let the nations acknowledge your reign of justice and truth. Where violence, oppression, and corruption hold sway, pour out your holy and life-giving Spirit to transform and redeem. Merciful God,

C - **receive our prayer.**

P - Gentle Shepherd, like the women at the empty tomb, many grieve or feel lost and afraid. Draw near to those who are ill or in pain. Reveal yourself to them as the Risen One. Merciful God,

C - **receive our prayer.**

P - Faithful God, we thank you for the living hope you give us through Christ's resurrection. Bless this community, that we may boldly proclaim Christ's victory over death in word and deed. Merciful God,

C - **receive our prayer.**

P - Eternal One, we give thanks for all who have died and now share in the joy of your resurrection. Bring us, with them, to the unending feast of your victory. Merciful God,

C - **receive our prayer.**

P - God of resurrection power, use us and these prayers to proclaim the good news of new life to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our risen Savior.

C - Amen.

***PEACE**

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

P - The peace of Christ be with you always.

C - And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

The assembly is seated.

BELL ANTHEM ("Joyful Noise").....

"Festive Bell Flourish" by Lee G. Barrow

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

***PRESENTATION OF OFFERING**

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" (ELW 884)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

***OFFERING PRAYER**

P - Merciful God, accept the fruits of our labor, gathered to give you glory. You have set a table before us, a glimpse of that great day when we will hunger and thirst no more. Nourish us with the body and blood of Jesus, that goodness and mercy may follow us and bless the world you love. In the name of Jesus,

C - Amen.

***GREAT 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.

***PREFACE (ELW p. 144)**

P - It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (ELW p. 144)**

Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of pow'r and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

***THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

P - Holy, living, and loving God, we praise you for creating the heavens and the earth. We bless you for bringing Noah and his family through the waters of the flood, for freeing your people Israel from the bonds of slavery, and for sending your Son to be our Redeemer. We give you thanks for Jesus who, living among us, healed the sick, fed the hungry, and with a love stronger than death, gave his life for others.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life-giving death and glorious resurrection, we await your promised life for all this dying world. Breathe your Spirit on us and on this bread and cup: carry us in your arms from death to life, that we may live as your chosen ones, clothed in the righteousness of Christ. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

C – Amen.

***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.

***INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

P - Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.

***COMMUNION SONG (ELW p. 146)**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace.

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say

P - The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
and each person may respond

C - Amen.

***TABLE BLESSING**

The presiding minister says a table blessing, and the assembly responds

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

C- Amen.

***PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

P - Holy One, through this meal you have made your home among us and are making all things new. Send us now to speak peace to anxious hearts, to love our enemies, and to bring your healing to the nations. In the name of Jesus,

C - Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

P - Gracious God, loving all your family with a mother's tender care: As you sent the angel to feed Elijah with heavenly bread, assist those who set forth to share your word and sacrament with those who are *sick, homebound, and imprisoned*. In your love and care, nourish and strengthen those who will receive this sacrament, and give us all the comfort of your abiding presence through the body and blood of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C - Amen.

***BLESSING**

P - God Almighty, who is the beginning and the end, Jesus Christ, the firstborn of the dead, and the Spirit, our advocate and peace, † bless you now and forever.

C - Amen.

***SENDING SONG.....“Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!” (ELW 382)**

Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!

1 Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!
 2 Christ is ris - en! All the sad - ness of our Lent - en fast is o'er;
 3 Christ is ris - en! All the sor - row that last eve - ning round him lay
 4 Christ is ris - en! Hence - forth nev - er death or hell shall us en - thrall.

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!
 through the o - pen gates of glad - ness he re - turns to life once more;
 now has found a glo - rious mor - row in the ris - ing of to - day.
 We are Christ's, in him for - ev - er we have tri - umphed o - ver all.

Grate - ful - ly our hearts a - dore him as his light once more ap - pears;
 death and hell be - fore him bend - ing see him rise, the vic - tor now,
 See the grave its first - fruits giv - ing, spring - ing up from ho - ly ground;
 All the doubt - ing and de - jec - tion of our trem - bling hearts have ceased;

bow - ing down in joy be - fore him, ris - ing up from griefs and tears.
 an - gels on his steps at - tend - ing, glo - ry round his wound - ed brow.
 Christ was dead, but now is liv - ing; he was lost, but he is found.
 hail the day of res - ur - rec - tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!

Sing his prais - es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

***DISMISSAL**

P - Go in peace. Praise the Lord. Alleluia!

C - Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

POSTLUDE..“Toccata from Symphony No. 5” by Charles Marie Widor

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The two vases of flowers are in memory of Dutch and Ida Sweigert. Love, Jen and Tobias.

The bulletins are in honor of a Happy Birthday Holly from Confrey Sr., Confrey Jr. and Nicholas Maldonado.

Please sign the Friendship Register in your pew. Visitors, or members with a change of address, please complete the address section and telephone number. Visitors may also include the name and address of your home church so they can be notified that you have received communion.

Prayer Requests: Please email or call the church office with your prayer requests. First names only will be used in our worship service that is livestreamed. You may also give names to the person leading service prior to the start of the service.

Helping Harvest donations will take place the first weekend of every month. This organization has put food trucks in areas to help the needy in place of the closed Pottsville Soup Kitchen.

Donations for College Students: The Social Ministry’s schoolhouse is in the narthex now through Sunday, April 12th. We are accepting donations of items to be sent to our college students, to have while they are studying for their final exams. Items to be donated include snacks, pens, pencils, or any other small appropriate items. The packages will be given to the students, whose families have provided us with their names and addresses. We thank everyone for their continuing generosity in donating to our project.

The Women of the ELCA are currently collecting personal, school and baby items through June. Check the table in the narthex for a list of all the items needed. All donations can be left on or under the table in the narthex. Please speak to Holly Maldonado for more information.

VBS Planning Meeting- St. Paul’s Lutheran Church and St. Paul’s United Church of Christ will once again be combined for Vacation Bible School. VBS will be held June 22 - 26 from 6pm-8:30pm each day at the UCC church. The theme will be Rainforest Falls- Exploring the Nature of God. There will be a Vacation Bible School Planning Meeting on Tuesday, April 14 at 7pm in downstairs room B1 at the UCC. Anyone interested in helping at VBS is invited to attend.

Celebration of Life event for Linda Angstadt: In a community collaboration between St. Mark's UCC & St. Paul's Lutheran, they're hosting the event on Saturday, April 18. The event will begin with a small service at St. Mark's UCC Church (30 Pottsville St., Cressona) at 10am and a Celebration of Life Luncheon to follow at 11am (in the church dining area in the basement). Linda considered her church communities as 'Family'. Help is requested to include Linda's favorite foods for the luncheon. You can view the invitation on Facebook to see a list of items needed or speak to Troy Hollenbach. Please RSVP either on the Facebook event or to Troy to help ensure there's enough food for those planning to attend.

Guest speaker and luncheon: Do you want to learn about Organ Donation? Come to church on Sunday, April 19 for the 10:30am service to hear Ali Jenan speak about his journey as a Donate Life Recipient. A salad bar luncheon will be held following the service. Donations will be accepted. Please see the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board.

Women of the ELCA Meeting: There will be a Women of the ELCA Cluster Meeting on Saturday, April 25 beginning at 9am in the pavilion. The cost is \$10 per ticket, which includes breakfast and lunch. Please speak to Holly Maldonado or Karen Curtis for more information.

We're trying something brand new – we'll soon be livestreaming our worship services on our very own YouTube channel: @summerHillLutheran!!! No need to worry about missing a thing — once we launch, we'll share the livestream link on Facebook every week. You'll still be able to chat, comment, and worship together live just like always. Our website now features a direct link to our YouTube channel, where you can already find recorded services beginning in February. So head on over, click Like, hit Subscribe, and ring that little bell 🔔 to be notified when livestreaming begins! 👉 Check us out here: <https://www.youtube.com/@summerHillLutheran>

Altar flower and bulletin sponsorship: There are many openings available throughout the year to sponsor the fresh altar flowers and bulletins on a Sunday morning. You can celebrate a Birthday, Anniversary, Graduation, etc. Sponsorships can be in honor of, or in memory of someone. There are sign-up sheets for a few months at a time on the bulletin board in the hallway. You can also call the church office and speak to Kelly to be added at any time throughout the year. The cost of altar flowers is: \$17.50 to sponsor one vase, or \$35 to sponsor both vases. The bulletins are \$10 per sponsored Sunday.

2026 Offering Envelopes and 2025 Giving Statements: If you have not already picked up your envelopes and/or statements, they are available on the table in the Narthex. If you do not want to receive envelopes because you are contributing online, please contact the church office.

Pastoral visits and home communions are available at any time. Please call the church office at 570-754-7350 or Pastor Marie at 716-353-1610.

Reminder for hospital visits: The church is not informed by the hospital when someone is admitted. Please call the church to let us know if a pastoral visit is desired.

Attendance March 29, 2026 – 50 in person; 281 online views and 3 shares as of April 2.

The 2026 Weekly giving needed for budget is \$2,951.25

Week of March 23-29, 2026

Current	\$2,540.95
Lenten Offering	\$ 220.00
Benevolence/Synod	\$ 69.30
Local Benevolence	\$ 139.05
Plate	\$ 82.00
Total	\$2,969.30

THE WEEK OF SUNDAY, APRIL 5, 2026

Easter Sunday, April 5

10:30am -Worship Service

Monday, April 6 -Church offices closed

Thursday, April 9

6:00 PM -Bell Choir practice

Sunday, April 12

9:15am -Sunday School

10:30am -Worship Service

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

Monday, April 6: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Exodus 14:10-31; 15:20-21; Colossians 3:5-11

Tuesday, April 7: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Exodus 15:1-18; Colossians 3:12-17

Wednesday, April 8: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24; Joshua 3:1-17; Matthew 28:1-10

Thursday, April 9: Psalm 16; Song of Solomon 2:8-15; Colossians 4:2-5

Friday, April 10: Psalm 16; Song of Solomon 5:9-6:3; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

Saturday, April 11: Psalm 16; Song of Solomon 8:6-7; John 20:11-20

Easter Sunday April 5- 10:30 AM

Greeter: Jeff Freeman

Acolyte: Tanner Gormley/ Tobias Lileck

Lector: Deb Hummel

Usher: Katie Faust

Communion Assistant: Jeff Freeman

Counting Team: Jeff Freeman / Deb Hummel

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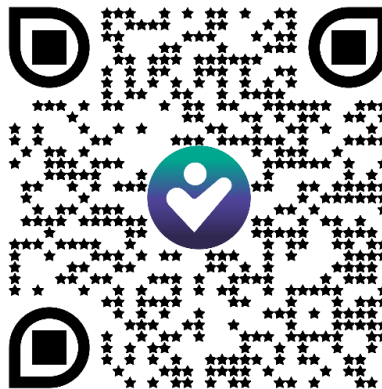
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Keep in your prayers: Richard Paxson, Irene Peiffer, Betty Freeman, Mark Fidler, Helen Runkle, Stephen Curtis, John & Betty Strauch, John Strauch, Jr., Greg Phillips, Jerry Heffleger, Harry Russell, Neida Hayes, Helen Miller, Sheila Tryon, Sallie Ann Sandler, Tonia McKague, Robert & Joyce Zeledonis, Earl & Grace Paxson, Betty Fromm Yarnell, Wayne Brensinger, Ralph Hueske, Shawnette Keller, Brittany Gallagher, Kay & Jerome Hayes, Debbie Toro, Pete and Stacy Smulligan, Terry Tryon, Carole Wiscount, Carol Keesey, *Carol Boyer, Harry Schwenk*

Those serving in the military: Brandon Felty, Karen Hall, Tyler Weller, Edward Hossler, Nick Lentz, Jake Schaeffer, Scott Aungst, Tyler Wolfe, Michael Hamilton, Mark Weinus, Jr., Cameron Lutz, Stephanie Boyer, Mitchell Moore, Timothy Bast, and Ryan Bast

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Easter Flowers 2026

- One tulip in memory of Mary and Joseph Lutz and Lee Llewellyn presented by Reba and Lee Llewellyn.
- One tulip in honor of Adele Llewellyn and the Peto Family presented by Reba and Lee Llewellyn.
- One tulip in memory of Kali Maldonado presented by the Maldonado Family.
- One tulip in memory of Mabel and John Schwenk presented by Harry, Jack, Carl, Joyce, Jonathan, Justin, Emily and Katelyn.
- One lily in memory of Charles Joseph Hollenbach presented by Troy and Lisa Hollenbach.
- One tulip in memory of Jacob Michael Mendinsky presented by Troy and Lisa Hollenbach.
- One tulip in memory of George and Stella Pytko, George and Theresa Nagele presented by Troy and Lisa Hollenbach.
- One tulip in honor of Robin, my sister, presented by Frank Reber.
- One tulip in honor of Emily, Trevor's fiancé presented by Frank Reber.
- One lily in honor of Robin, my sister, presented by Frank Reber.
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- One tulip in memory of Eleanor and Jacob Jamison and our grandparents presented by Cindy and Jeff Freeman.
- One tulip in honor of Betty Freeman, and in memory of Richard Freeman presented by Cindy and Jeff Freeman.
- One tulip in memory of all loved ones presented by Matt, Jenn, Aiden, Kolton and Bennett Platt.
- One tulip in honor of Glenn and Helen Miller presented by Matt, Jenn, Aiden, Kolton and Bennett Platt.
- One tulip in honor of the birth of our first grandchild on March 15-baby girl, Aurora presented by the Ziegler family.
- One tulip in memory of Earl and Edith Sholl and other loved ones presented by Glenn and Helen Miller.
- One tulip in memory of Dutch and Ida Sweigert presented by Jen and Tobias.
- One tulip in honor of Carly Elizabeth presented by Godmother Jen.