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So wonderful to see so many faces returning to church. It is a blessing and a reflection of the strength of our people that Seminary has remained strong throughout the Covid-19 period. We pray that 2021 will only continue to improve as our lives return to normal. We have learned lessons and hopefully became even stronger in faith and in our convictions.

Please pray for our World, our Nation, our Church and Pastor. In addition, continued prayers for Cindy Burns, all those recovering from surgery and health complications, and our shut-ins and those home-bound. Please pray to end COVID-19, Flu strains, Cancers, and all diseases. For those not attending in person, we welcome you to join LIVE STREAMING on our Seminary FACEBOOK page Sundays at 10am.



*When you give a banquet,
invite the poor, the crippled,*

Luke 14:13,14a

*the lame, the blind,
and you will be blessed.*

SEMINARY CHURCH
285 Seminary Street Roanoke, In 46783
4th Sunday after Easter May 2nd 2021

Pastor: Keith Schreffler

*Hymns of Praise "Halle, Halle, Halleluja" #2026 Polly Carroll

Halle, Halle, Halle--lujah!
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Hallelujah! Hal-le-lujah!

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Give thanks with a grateful heart. Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.
Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One.
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong"; Let the poor say, "I am rich",
Because of what the Lord has done for us".

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Because of what the Lord has done for us".

Give thanks with a grateful heart (to the grateful heart).

Give thanks to the Holy One (to the Holy One)

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

Give thanks with a grateful heart (to the grateful heart)

Give thanks to the Holy One (to the Holy One)

Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

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Because of what the Lord has done for us. And now let the weak say,

"I am strong." Let the poor say, "I am rich",

Because of what the Lord has done for us". Give Thanks! We give
Thanks!

Welcome

Brooke Brayan

Call to Worship

Brooke Brayan

Leader: *Come! Gather in the name of the resurrected Christ
as we lift our voices to worship God.*

**ALL: Surely God is in this place, calling us to worship in spirit
and in truth.**

Leader: *God's love flows for you and for all people!*

**ALL: God's Spirit refreshes us, sending us out to share God's
love and life.**

Leader: *Rejoice, for we are called to abide, ever and always,
in the living Christ.*

ALL: Thanks be to God!

Giving of our Tithes and Offerings

Going to God in Prayer and 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. Amen.**

Prayer Response in Song #488 "Jesus Remember me"

Polly Carroll

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

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The Epistle Reading Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 NIV

1 Keep on loving one another as brothers and sisters. Do not forget to show hospitality to strangers, for by so doing some people have shown hospitality to angels without knowing it. Continue to remember those in prison as if you were together with them in prison, and those who are mistreated as if you yourselves were suffering.

4 Marriage should be honored by all, and the marriage bed kept pure, for God will judge the adulterer and all the sexually immoral. Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have, because God has said, *"Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."* So we say with confidence, *"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"*

7 Remember your leaders, who spoke the word of God to you. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.....

15 Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.

Gospel Reading Luke 14:1-14 NIV

1 One Sabbath, when Jesus went to eat in the house of a prominent Pharisee, he was being carefully watched. There in front of him was a man suffering from abnormal swelling of his body. Jesus asked the Pharisees and experts in the law, **"Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath or not?"** But they remained silent. So, taking hold of the man, he healed him and sent him on his way.

5 Then he asked them, **"If one of you has a child or an ox that falls into a well on the Sabbath day, will you not immediately pull it out?"** And they had nothing to say.

7 When he noticed how the guests picked the places of honor at the table, he told them this parable: **"When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take the place of honor, for a person more distinguished than you may have been invited."**

If so, the host who invited both of you will come and say to you, 'Give this person your seat.' Then, humiliated, you will have to take the least important place. But when you are invited, take the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he will say to you, 'Friend, move up to a better place.' Then you will be honored in the presence of all the other guests. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

12 Then Jesus said to his host, **"When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or sisters, your relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."**

L. The Word of God for the People of God
All: **Thanks be to God !**

A Teaching Moment "God Welcomes All" Pastor Keith

Communion

Hymn of Dismissal "Shalom to You" # 666 Polly Carroll

Shalom to you now, Shalom to my Friends.
May God's full mercies bless you my friends.
In all you living and through your loving,
Christ be your Shalom, Christ be your shalom.

Benediction

*Praise Hymn "All the People Said Amen!" Matt Maher

You are not alone if you are lonely.
When you're feeling frail, you're not the only,
We are all the same in need of mercy, to be forgiven and be free.
It's all you got to lean on. But thank God, it's all you need!

And all the people said Amen!
Whoa, oh And all the people said Amen!
Give thanks to the Lord, for his love never ends.
And all the people said Amen

If you're rich or poor well it don't matter.
Weak or strong, we know love is what we're after.
We're all broken, but we're all in this together.
God knows we stumble and fall.
And he so loved the world he sent his son to save us all.

And all the people said Amen!
Whoa, oh, And all the people said Amen!
Give thanks to the Lord, for his love never ends.
And all the people said Amen!

Blessed are the poor spirits who are torn apart.
Blessed are the prosecuted and the pure in heart.
Blessed are the people lonely for another start.
For this is a kingdom, The kingdom of God!

And all the people said Amen!
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MASK UPDATE

At the April 26th 2021 Council meeting a decision was made to continue following CDC guidelines and the Huntington County Board of Health guidelines on social distancing and the wearing of masks during our Services of Worship. The Corona Virus numbers of those infected and the numbers of deaths are once again beginning to rise. Therefore, we will continue to ask all worshippers to wear the face masks and social distance. This is being done for the protection of everyone. Thankyou for your continued support!

Children's Worship

Polly Carroll is anxious to restart the Children's Worship during the 10am Service of Worship. This class will begin on May 2nd. Children ages K-5 are invited to attend. This year this class will be meeting in Church Fellowship Hall.

FOOD PANTRY

The emphasis for the Months of April, May and June is on Cleaning Supplies: Dish Soap; Face Soap; Hand Soap; Windex; Bleach; Mr. Clean; Laundry Detergent. Your help is needed and greatly appreciated!

WOMEN OF FAITH

Will be meeting Monday, May 10th at 1:30pm...All women are invited and encouraged to come and connect with the Women of Faith.

