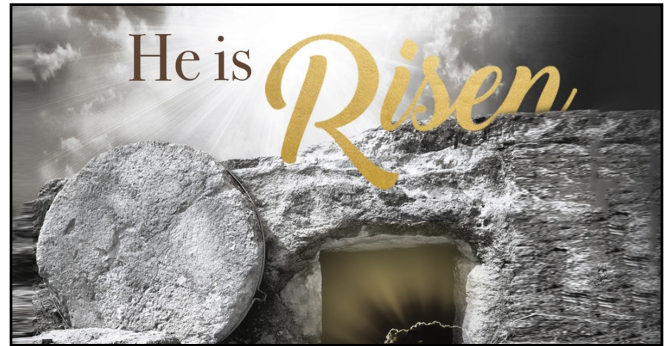


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Online Worship

Online worship services are being recorded and are available on our website. If you don't have a computer and someone who is with you has a smartphone or tablet, these services can be played by going to our website, www.sjnc.net, selecting **Publications** and **Online Worship**.



OFFICE PHONE

If you call the church office, please leave a message. Staff will be checking their messages on a regular basis.

On Easter the Church completes its three great days of celebrating redemption. Since Maundy Thursday, we have been involved in an extended liturgy that will be brought to its conclusion today. This is the celebration of the Passover of Christ from death to life. It is also the celebration of our own Passover in Holy Baptism in which "we were buried with Christ in his death and raised with him." As we rejoice in our new life in the risen Christ on this day, he comes among us and is known to us in the Holy Scriptures, and we are sent forth to tell others of his resurrection.



We Are Here
To Help

During these unprecedented times, your church is here for you. You should be receiving phone calls just to check in and see if you need anything. Please do not hesitate to call the church office, 704-786-0166 and leave a message if you have needs. This could include picking up medicine, groceries, etc. Your church family is here for you!

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Lively Leisures

The Lively Leisure luncheon scheduled for April 21 is cancelled. More information later. Please stay safe and well.

Thanks, Sylvia



MY FATHER'S HOUSE

St. James / St. Johns Lutheran will be hosting My Father's House Ministry April 20-22. St. James will provide the dinner meal on Mon., April 20 and Tues. 21. St. Johns is responsible for the meal on Wed. April 22.

The meals will be dropped off at the kitchen door of My Father's House Ministry around 5:30 those days. There are presently 6 adults and 4 children in the Ministry. If you can provide an item for the meal on April 20 or 21, please let me know and I'll be glad to pick it up from your home.

Thanks so much, Sylvia Corl

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- 01-Apr Sandra FAGGART
- 01-Apr Jeff GILBERT
- 04-Apr Kathryn CRAVER
- 04-Apr Austin HOADLEY
- 06-Apr David CLARY
- 06-Apr Mark MURPHY
- 08-Apr David SMITH
- 09-Apr Myers JONES
- 10-Apr Alex BARNHARDT
- 11-Apr Troy HESTON
- 11-Apr Alison MONK
- 13-Apr David HARDISTER
- 13-Apr Amanda IRVIN
- 13-Apr Ciprian POPOVICI
- 14-Apr Joan MAHONEY
- 14-Apr Mary Catherine NIVENS
- 14-Apr Michelle URSO
- 15-Apr Hayden WEISEL
- 17-Apr Bill FISHER
- 17-Apr Laura PATTERSON
- 17-Apr Kirsten ZIEGLER
- 18-Apr Missy HARTMAN
- 19-Apr Mallory HORTON
- 19-Apr Jackson HUGHES
- 20-Apr Sondra BRYN
- 20-Apr George HARTSELL
- 21-Apr Sydney HABERMAN
- 21-Apr Ryan KULY
- 25-Apr Natalie WILLIAMS
- 26-Apr Kailey HARTMAN
- 27-Apr Thomas GRADY
- 28-Apr Kara BESTLER
- 28-Apr Larken MUENSTER
- 29-Apr Sam HURLEY
- 29-Apr Stacey WILSON



- ◆ **Ralph & Sandy Barnhardt**
- ◆ **Richard Benz**
- ◆ **Phyllis Harward**
- ◆ **Joan and Pat Mahoney**
- ◆ **Clary Phillips**
- ◆ **Doris Smith**
- ◆ **Cliff Caffrey**
- ◆ **Alex Patterson**
- ◆ **Alex Barnhardt**
- ◆ **Carole Grady**
- ◆ **Heather Schwarz, Melody Acquino,**
daughters of Al and Dee Pieschel
- ◆ **Harold and Anna Melvin,** *friends of Lois Marlow*
- ◆ **Family of Edwina Finch,** *friend of Patsy Black*
- ◆ **Family of Gib Heilig**
- ◆ **Family of Edwina Finch,** *friend of Patsy Black*
- ◆ **Family of Lala Mosley,** *mother of Tony Mosley*
- ◆ **Family of Barbara Shifley,** *sister-in-law of Annette Propst*
- ◆ **Our homebound members,** *and all in need of prayer*

**All Health Care Professionals and
First Responders including:**

- ◆ **Stephenie Matthews**
- ◆ **Deb Bradshaw**
- ◆ **DeeDee Gilbert**
- ◆ **Dr Bradley Propst,** *son of Kenny and Annette Propst*
- ◆ **Sam Hurley,** *son of Elizabeth Hurley*
- ◆ **Lisa Snyder,** *friend of Debbie Wilkinson*
- ◆ **Julie Greathouse,** *friend of Lois Marlow*
- ◆ **Betsy Waselovich,** *sister of Golda Jay*
- ◆ **Lauren,** *daughter of Angie Buchanan*
- ◆ **Jason and Stephanie Matthews,** *son and daughter-in-law of Martha Matthews*



***To the Glory of God and
In Loving Memory***

Aubrey Hillis

By Ed and Betsy Ballard

Dave Burke

By Frank and Jill Irvin

Eric Wright

By Terry and Sandy Brummeyer

Gib Heilig

By Linny Baker
 By Fuller and Jean Beasley
 By Mr. and Mrs. Marion Bost
 By Carroll and Marcia Brooks
 By Eric and Cheryl Dearmon
 By Rose Edwards
 By Ray Faggart
 By Bill Fisher
 By Will and Ann Gillon
 By Mary Ann Graham
 By Bob and Pat Lawrence
 By Tom and Ann Ridenhour
 By Morgan and Sue Walker
 By Mr. and Mrs. A W Widenhouse
 By Al Brown for the Cemetery Fund
 By Nancy Faggart for the Boy Scouts

Jerry Poole

By Ed and Betsy Ballard

Lala Mosley

By Fuller and Jean Beasley
 By Nancy Faggart for the Boy Scouts
 By Will and Anne Gillon
 By Tom and Ann Ridenhour

Lee David Ballard

By Ed and Betsy Ballard

WORSHIP IN THE HOME: SUNDAY, APRIL 12, 2020 – RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

In this time of world-wide crisis, congregations throughout this church are not able to gather for worship as the body of Christ. While you cannot be together in person, we can hear the word of God and hold each other in prayer.

SET OUT AND LIGHT A CANDLE. You may wish to have a bowl of water as a reminder of your baptism into the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. If you have a hymnal, you might now sing or read “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds” (Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 367) or “The Day of Resurrection.” (Evangelical Lutheran Worship # 361)

THE PRAYER OF THE DAY MAY BE PRAYED.

God of mercy, we no longer look for Jesus among the dead, for he is alive and has become the Lord of life. Increase in our minds and hearts the risen life we share with Christ, and help us to grow as your people toward the fullness of eternal life with you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

THEN THE READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY MAY BE READ, AS FOLLOWS.

- **First Reading Jeremiah 31:1-6** Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.
- **Psalms Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24**
- **Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4** Word of God, word of life. Thanks be to God.
- **Gospel Matthew 28:1-10** The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

REFLECTION: Having read these readings, think of this:

This Easter we are indeed in the wilderness, and our life is indeed hidden. But because of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we believe that the ancient promises to Israel are now extended to us. In the resurrection, God loves you with an everlasting love. God will again build you. Christ is your life and you shall appear with him. And today the Galilee where, by the power of the Spirit Jesus may be seen alive, is in our own homes. Against all sadness, this is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Christ is risen. Alleluia.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

By your Word you called your people Israel to tell of your wonderful gifts: freedom from captivity, water on the desert journey, a pathway home from exile, wisdom for life with you. For your Word of life, O God, we give you thanks and praise.

Through Jesus, your Word made flesh, you speak to us and call us to witness: forgiveness through the cross, life to those entombed by death, the way of your self-giving love. For your Word of life, O God, we give you thanks and praise.

Send your Spirit of truth, O God; rekindle your gifts within us: renew our faith, increase our hope, and deepen our love, for the sake of a world in need. Faithful to your Word, O God, draw near to all who call on you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory forever. Amen.

PRAY THE LORD’S PRAYER

THEN SPEAK THE BLESSING:

The blessing of the living God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, surround and sustain us, keep us from harm, and fill us with courage. Amen.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!