

# “TEARS OF SORROW – TEARS OF JOY”

## AS WE GATHER

“He is risen!”—the Church shouts with confidence—“He is risen indeed!” The high point of our Christian life is celebrated this morning as we gather with all of God’s children to rejoice in the resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. As today’s Gospel from Luke 24 will show us, confusion and fear give way to confident faith when the women who went to the tomb realize Jesus is alive and then share this good news with the other disciples. Through those disciples, this message has reached us also! Just as God had promised through His prophets of old, the Lord Himself will restore creation and bring harmony to all life—beginning with Jesus’ resurrection and continuing until the Last Day, when Jesus returns in glory, destroys death itself, and raises us up to new lives in His eternal kingdom. With confidence in God’s promises, we say: “I know that my Redeemer lives!” What comfort, what hope, what joy this sweet sentence gives!

## OPENING HYMN

“Jesus Christ is Risen Today”

LSB 457

1 Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!  
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!  
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
Unto Christ, our heav’nly king, Alleluia!  
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

3 But the pains which He endured, Alleluia!  
Our salvation have procured; Alleluia!  
Now above the sky He’s king, Alleluia!  
Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

4 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!  
Praise eternal as His love; Alleluia!  
Praise Him, all ye heav’nly host, Alleluia!  
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!  
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## CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Christ is Risen!  
Congregation **He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
Congregation **Amen.**

## CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

*Romans 6:3–4*

Pastor As we come together in the darkness of this morning, it is a present reminder of the darkness in our world and in our own souls, the darkness that led our Lord Jesus to willingly lay down His life for us.

*(Silence for personal confession)*

Pastor We confess:

**Congregation** **Lord Jesus, our Redeemer, we come before You and acknowledge the darkness that still maintains a foothold in our lives and is evidenced in our thoughts, words, and actions. Our lives do not always bear witness to the victorious power of Your resurrection. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us by the power of Your Spirit, so that we may walk in Your ways and reveal Your resurrection love to the world.**

Pastor People of God, the Christ who died and was buried on Good Friday was found to be alive on Sunday, and He continues to live among us. “Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?  
**Congregation** **We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.”**

Pastor As a called and ordained servant of our redeeming and resurrected Lord Jesus Christ, and with His power and authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Congregation** **Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor Jesus Christ is the Light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.  
**Congregation** **Let Your light scatter the darkness and illumine Your Church.**

## INTROIT

*Exodus 15:2a, 6, 13, 17–18; antiphon: v. 1b*

Pastor I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and His rider He has thrown into the sea.

**Men** *The LORD is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.*  
**Women** *Your right hand, O LORD, glorious in power, Your right hand, O LORD, shatters the enemy.*

**Men** *You have led in Your steadfast love the people whom You have redeemed;*  
**Women** *You have guided them by Your strength to Your holy abode.*

**Men** *You will bring them in and plant them on Your own mountain,*  
**Women** *the place, O LORD, which You have made for Your abode,*

Pastor the sanctuary, O LORD, which Your hands have established. The LORD will reign forever and ever.

**Congregation** **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Pastor I will sing to the LORD, for He has triumphed gloriously; the horse and His rider He has thrown into the sea.

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

**“This is the Feast”**

**LSB pg 155**

**Congregation** **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**

Pastor The Lord be with you.

**Congregation** **And also with you.**

Pastor Let us pray. Almighty God, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life. We humbly pray that we may live before You in righteousness and purity forever; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Congregation** **Amen.**

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING**

*Job 19:23–27*

<sup>23</sup>“Oh that my words were written!

Oh that they were inscribed in a book!

<sup>24</sup>Oh that with an iron pen and lead

they were engraved in the rock forever!

<sup>25</sup>For I know that my Redeemer lives,  
and at the last he will stand upon the earth.  
<sup>26</sup>And after my skin has been thus destroyed,  
yet in my flesh I shall see God,  
<sup>27</sup>whom I shall see for myself,  
and my eyes shall behold, and not another.  
My heart faints within me!"

Lector                    This is the Word of the Lord.  
Congregation        **Thanks be to God.**

### **EPISTLE READING**

*1 Corinthians 15:51–57*

<sup>51</sup>Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

<sup>55</sup>“O death, where is your victory?

O death, where is your sting?”

<sup>56</sup>The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. <sup>57</sup>But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Lector                    This is the Word of the Lord.  
Congregation        **Thanks be to God.**

### **ALLELUIA AND VERSE**

**LSB pg 156**

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

### **EASTER GOSPEL**

*John 20:1–18*

Pastor                    The Easter Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.  
Congregation        **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. <sup>2</sup>So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.” <sup>3</sup>So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. <sup>4</sup>Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. <sup>5</sup>And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he

did not go in. <sup>6</sup>Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, <sup>7</sup>and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. <sup>8</sup>Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; <sup>9</sup>for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. <sup>10</sup>Then the disciples went back to their homes.

<sup>11</sup>But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. <sup>12</sup>And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. <sup>13</sup>They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." <sup>14</sup>Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. <sup>15</sup>Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." <sup>16</sup>Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). <sup>17</sup>Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" <sup>18</sup>Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

Pastor                      This is the Easter Gospel of our Lord.  
Congregation            **Praise to You, O Christ.**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**"Jesus lives! The Vict'ry's Won"**

**LSB 490**

- 1    Jesus lives! The vict'ry's won!  
      Death no longer can appall me;  
      Jesus lives! Death's reign is done!  
      From the grave will Christ recall me.  
      Brighter scenes will then commence;  
      This shall be my confidence.
- 2    Jesus lives! To Him the throne  
      High above all things is given.  
      I shall go where He is gone,  
      Live and reign with Him in heaven.  
      God is faithful; doubtings, hence!  
      This shall be my confidence.
- 3    Jesus lives! For me He died,  
      Hence will I, to Jesus living,  
      Pure in heart and act abide,  
      Praise to Him and glory giving.  
      All I need God will dispense;  
      This shall be my confidence.

4 Jesus lives! I know full well  
Nothing me from Him shall sever.  
Neither death nor pow'rs of hell  
Part me now from Christ forever.  
God will be my sure defense;  
This shall be my confidence.

5 Jesus lives! And now is death  
But the gate of life immortal;  
This shall calm my trembling breath  
When I pass its gloomy portal.  
Faith shall cry, as fails each sense:  
Jesus is my confidence!

## **THE MESSAGE      “Tears of Sorrow – Tears of Joy”**

### **NICENE CREED**

**I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor                      Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs as we also join in singing our Redeemer's praise.

### **HYMN**

#### **“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”**

**LSB 461 st. 1**

1 I know that my Redeemer lives;  
What comfort this sweet sentence gives!  
He lives, He lives, who once was dead;  
He lives, my ever-living head.

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Pastor We pray for all in our community and world. Lord, grant that all who need to hear the comfort and hope of the resurrection of Christ would have opportunity to do so quickly and powerfully, and especially that we might be blessed to be the ones who bring the Good News to them. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Congregation He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN “I Know That My Redeemer Lives” LSB 461 st. 2**

2 He lives triumphant from the grave;  
He lives eternally to save;  
He lives all-glorious in the sky;  
He lives exalted there on high.

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Pastor We pray for soldiers and support personnel around the world. Lord, grant that they be comforted by Your presence, protected by Your strength, and supported by our prayers. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Congregation He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN “I Know That My Redeemer Lives” LSB 461 st. 3**

3 He lives to bless me with His love;  
He lives to plead for me above;  
He lives my hungry soul to feed;  
He lives to help in time of need.

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Pastor We pray for all who are sick and in need. Lord, grant that they might experience the blessings of Your healing and beneficial care, and especially that we might be the ones who provide that care in our risen Savior’s name. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Congregation He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN “I Know That My Redeemer Lives” LSB 461 st. 4**

4 He lives to grant me rich supply;  
He lives to guide me with His eye;  
He lives to comfort me when faint;  
He lives to hear my soul’s complaint.

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Pastor We pray for the leaders of our nation, our world, and Your Church. Lord, grant that they be guided by Your wisdom, comforted by Your presence, and supported by our prayers. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Congregation He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461 st. 5**

5 He lives to silence all my fears;  
He lives to wipe away my tears;  
He lives to calm my troubled heart;  
He lives all blessings to impart.

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Pastor We pray for those who have wandered from the Christian faith. Lord, grant that they be brought back into the family through us or others and experience a caring community and the hope that comes with the empty tomb. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Congregation He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461 st. 6**

6 He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;  
He lives and loves me to the end;  
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;  
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.

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Pastor We pray for this world that You have placed us in. Lord, grant that we be good stewards of all that You have given us to provide for our daily needs as we make our way to the world to come. Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**Congregation He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" LSB 461 st. 7**

7 He lives and grants me daily breath;  
He lives, and I shall conquer death;  
He lives my mansion to prepare;  
He lives to bring me safely there.

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Pastor Into Your hands, O Lord, we commit all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Congregation Amen.**



## **HYMN**

### **“I Know That My Redeemer Lives”**

**LSB 461 st. 8**

8 He lives, all glory to His name!  
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;  
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:  
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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## **OFFERING**

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## **THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT**

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**Pastor** Blessed are You, ascended Lord, for You continue to be with us in Your Word and Sacraments, providing us with Your promised presence. We celebrate Your victory, which is also the victory of all who have been claimed and cleansed in the waters of Baptism. We know that our Redeemer lives and as we are connected to You, we will live also. We praise and thank You for the redemption You have prepared for us at Your Table as You are both the host and the Meal. Grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may faithfully eat and drink Your body and blood present here in, with, and under the bread and wine so that we may receive the blessings of Your victory—forgiveness, life, and salvation. In Your holy name, we pray.

**Congregation** **Amen.**

### **THE WORDS OF OUR LORD**

### **PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST**

**Pastor** As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

**Congregation** **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

**Pastor** O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

### **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.**

## **THE SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**Pastor**                    The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Congregation**        **Amen.**

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

## **“Alleluia! Jesus Is Risen”**

**LSB 474**

- 1 Alleluia!  
Jesus is risen!  
    Trumpets resounding in glorious light!  
Splendor, the Lamb,  
Heaven forever!  
    Oh, what a miracle God has in sight! Refrain
- ref Jesus is risen and we shall arise:  
Give God the glory! Alleluia!
- 2 Walking the way,  
Christ in the center  
    Telling the story to open our eyes;  
Breaking our bread,  
Giving us glory:  
    Jesus our blessing, our constant surprise. Refrain
- 3 Jesus the vine,  
We are the branches;  
    Life in the Spirit the fruit of the tree;  
Heaven to earth,  
Christ to the people,  
    Gift of the future now flowing to me. Refrain
- 4 Weeping, be gone;  
Sorrow, be silent:  
    Death put asunder, and Easter is bright.  
Cherubim sing:  
“O grave, be open!”  
    Clothe us in wonder, adorn us in light. Refrain
- 5 City of God,  
Easter forever,  
    Golden Jerusalem, Jesus the Lamb,  
River of life,  
Saints and archangels,  
    Sing with creation to God the I AM! Refrain

## POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor                    Let us pray.  
Our victorious Lord and Redeemer, we thank You for meeting us at Your Table and pouring out the forgiveness You have won for us in this Meal of Your body and blood. Strengthen and grow us in our faith. Empower us to serve You as we share the message of Your victory with our friends, family, and all whom we meet; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Congregation        Amen.**

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor                    Alleluia! Christ is risen!  
**Congregation        He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

## THE BLESSING

*Psalm 118:24; Numbers 6:24–26*

Pastor                    This is the day that the Lord has made;  
**Congregation        let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Pastor                    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.

**Congregation        Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN

**“Alleluia, Alleluia, Hearts to Heaven”**

**LSB 477**

1 Alleluia, alleluia!  
Hearts to heav’n and voices raise:  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
He who on the cross a victim  
For the world’s salvation bled—  
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,  
Now is risen from the dead.

2 Alleluia, Christ is risen!  
Death at last has met defeat:  
See the ancient pow’rs of evil  
In confusion and retreat;  
Once He died, and once was buried:  
Now He lives forevermore,  
Jesus Christ, the world’s Redeemer,  
Whom we worship and adore.

3 Alleluia, alleluia!  
Glory be to God on high:  
Alleluia to the Savior  
Who has gained the victory;  
Alleluia to the Spirit,  
Fount of love and sanctity!  
Alleluia, alleluia  
To the triune Majesty!

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## POSTLUDE

## “Song of Easter”

*David Paxton*

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Lector	Lois Dieringer
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## Weekly Calendar April 18-23

### Monday (4/18)

9am Quilters  
11:30am AJ Moll Funeral  
6pm Executive Committee Meeting  
7pm PPC Meeting

### Tuesday (4/19)

5:45pm Fellowship Board Meeting

### Wednesday (4/20)

#### View Articles Due

10am Today's Light Bible Study  
3pm MOLC Staff Meeting  
5pm LOGOS

### Saturday (4/23)

7am Early Risers Bible Study

### Sunday (4/24)

(Second Sunday of Easter)  
8am Divine Worship\* †  
9am Coffee Hour  
9:30am Education Hour  
10:30am Divine Worship\* †

† Communion offered

\* Available on Facebook Live also

### Prayer Requests

Barb Koehler  
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**We Pray for . . .** Karl Fels, Rich & Nancy Bartlett, Mary Kolberg, Jim Bosco, Anna Bohrer (granddaughter of Pastor Mark & Marci Baldwin), Arthur Lewis Baldwin (Pastor Mark and Marci's newest grandson), Mary Goers, Mount Olive Lutheran School and Preschool, Mount Olive as we work through the Call process

### This Week's News

**Weekly Attendance:** April 10- 60 / 54

**Women's Spring Fling:** To women of all ages, you are invited to attend this years Women's Spring Fling on May 7 at 9 – 10:30 . There will be a breakfast, devotion, music and a small craft. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

**View Submissions:** Submissions for the View are due the 20<sup>th</sup> of each month. Articles must be typed AND submitted **on or before** the 20<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your submissions!

**Call Committee Update:** Good news! The Call Committee has received the slate of candidates from the South Wisconsin District office for consideration to extend a call. Copies of the Call List are located on the welcome desk and available for your review. We are excited to be at this point in our process and look forward to working to bring recommendations to the congregation in a call meeting. Date and time of that meeting will be determined in the near future, but we are hopeful to hold it prior to Memorial Day weekend. Please continue to pray for the Call Committee as we work through the review and interview process and pray for those candidates that have been submitted for consideration.

### Serving Next Week:

Elder: Steve Nelson  
Lectors: Connie LaRowe / Marge Bills  
Usher Teams: Gene Cropp / Chuck Jaskowiak  
First Reading: Acts 5:12-20  
Epistle: Revelation 1:4-18  
Gospel Reading: John 20:19-31

**International Pot Bless Lunch:** Calvary Chapel will be hosting an International lunch Sunday May 8 at 12pm for anyone who would like to come. Bring a dish to share from your culture/country and we will all enjoy each others food heritage while we get to know some people.

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**Church Pews:** If anyone is interested in taking one of the old pews from the Sanctuary, please contact Lyle Christian, [xian4202@yahoo.com](mailto:xian4202@yahoo.com)

**Upcoming Altar Flower Sponsors:**

April 24: Elaine Neitzel  
May 1: Confirmation Sunday  
May 8: Mother's Day  
May 15: Open  
May 22: Open  
May 29: Open

**Upcoming Coffee Hour Hosts:**

April 24: Open  
May 1: Confirmation Sunday  
May 8: Open  
May 15: Open  
May 22: Open  
May 29: Open

**Pledge Forms:** Please be sure to drop off completed Sanctuary renovation pledge forms in the work room or mail in to the church office, ATTN Stewardship Board.

**Mount Olive H2H (Homeless to Hopeful) Collection:** Year-round donations of *travel-sized* hygiene supplies can be donated in the bin located on the floor inside the MOLC Food Pantry closet.

**VBS Registration:** Spring is here and that means that VBS is right around the corner! Please join us Monday June 13th - Thursday June 16th from 9am-12pm for a Monumental adventure through the southwest to explore God's awesomeness and form a rock-solid faith for the road of life. Registration is now open! [vbspro.events/p/molc2022](https://vbspro.events/p/molc2022). We are also in need of volunteers! If you are available to help lead a group, prep crafts, decorations, or snacks in advance, or offer your time or talents in any other way, please click the registration link above, or reach out to Sarah Maleck, [sarah.maleck@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.maleck@gmail.com). Thank you!

**Pentecost Geraniums:** Order forms for Pentecost Geraniums are available in the Narthex! Order forms are due by Sunday May 1!

## Stewardship Corner

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"He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise." (Luke 24:6-7)

Jesus is risen. But is that Good News? What if He is mad at us for betraying Him, for running away at Gethsemane, for not believing He would rise? The Good News is not just that Jesus is risen; the Good News is that He is risen to bless us. There is no need to be alarmed. He still calls us His friends and brothers and sisters, and He means to bring us through death to resurrection as well. The Lord is risen – He is risen indeed!

## Just a Note

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**Card Shop:** EASTER cards are featured and soon Confirmation and Graduation cards will also be on display. Come see the new Birthday and Sympathy cards that have recently arrived. Cards are still 75 cents each and all profits go to LWML. Keep self-serving and thanks for your patronage.

**Altar Flowers:** If you are interested in providing flowers, please contact Denise Sliter at [altarflowers@molc.us](mailto:altarflowers@molc.us) or at (608) 354-7244. Payment of \$35 can be made via check or pay online [molc.us/connect](http://molc.us/connect). Please make sure to email or call, or your order may be missed!

**COVID-19 Assistance:** If you are considered "at risk" and would like assistance getting groceries or with other errands, please contact the office. Our food pantry is also available to you during office hours.

**Holy Communion:** If you would like to take communion at church during the week, there are three different days you can sign up **Tuesdays 9:00am-2:00pm, Wednesdays 2:00-6:00pm**. Contact the office at [office@molc.us](mailto:office@molc.us) or (608) 238-5656, and the office will set you up with a 15-minute time slot.

## Our Staff

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In memory of Mark Austin  
In honor of aunts, uncles, Dorothy, Jo, and  
Harry Stoeber  
In celebration of Jesus Christ's resurrection  
In celebration of our Risen Savior  
In memory of Alberta M. Christian  
In memory of Cindy Gaston, Carson Lau,  
Jane Gaston  
In memory of William & Nancy Spaltholz  
In honor of my family  
In memory of parents, Shirley & Gene, Irene  
& John

In memory of Joshua Molter  
In celebration of Steele Nelson's birth  
In honor of Rosalie & William Probasco  
In celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus!

In celebration of our family  
Christ has Risen!  
In memory of parents and sister, Clair &  
Garnet Reid, Connie Reid, Betty Jean Sliter  
In memory of our parents  
Alleluia, He is Risen!  
In celebration of our Risen Christ!  
In memory of father, Arland (Joe) Goettsch  
and grandparents Richard & Elizabeth  
Goettsch, and Floyd & Irene Weatherly  
In memory of Robert Troia, Robert Radtke,  
Elizabeth Troia  
In memory of Louis & Lillian Wunsch

Thank you to everyone who sponsors flowers! Please be sure to pick up your  
flowers by Wednesday April 20!

