

April 5, 2026

11:00 AM

MT.ZION EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
HISTORICAL VILLAGE OF CHURCHTOWN
BOILING SPRINGS PA 17007

WELCOME!

The members of Mt. Zion extend a warm welcome to all visitors. Please sign the guest register in the main entrance of the church. If you do not have a church home and are seeking one, we would love to have you join us. Please speak to the Pastor or to any of our members if you would like to learn more about our community of faith.

All are invited to the communion table. Bread and wine are used as the elements of this meal. Grape juice is also available for those who do not drink wine. There is also a gluten free choice. Children who do not commune may receive a blessing.

About today's lesson:

This is the day the Lord has made! Christ is risen, and through him all creation is made new! Indeed, "God shows no partiality" (Acts 10:34): Christ's resurrection truly brings life to everyone. We sing hymns of praise, gather around sacred words, and proclaim God's faithfulness, power, and love in the feast of holy communion. With the women at the tomb, we are astonished, elated, and grateful. We depart with joy to proclaim the good news of God's endless love.

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325 Old Stonehouse Road
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April 5, 2026
Resurrection of Our Lord

Holy Communion
Service 11:00 AM

SILENT PRAYER:

Lord, graciously hear us, for we seek you alone. Calm our bodies and minds with the peace which passes understanding, and make us radiant with joy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

PRELUDE:

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please stand as able.

CALL TO WORSHIP

P Early on the first day of the week, the women went to the tomb only to find the stone had been rolled away and the tomb was empty. Friends, we gather here as Christ's disciples, to celebrate the good news: Jesus Christ has risen from the dead!

P Beloved church, Behold the victory of our God: Jesus, our Lord, has conquered the grave.

C Christ is risen! Alleluia!

P Sin and death shall reign no more.

C Christ is risen! Alleluia!

P Let this place resound with joy.

C Christ is risen! Alleluia!

Thanks be to God!

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.

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: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!*

(LBW Green Hymnal) #130

GREETING;

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:

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C **Lord, have mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P 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 mercy.**

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

C **Lord, have mercy.**

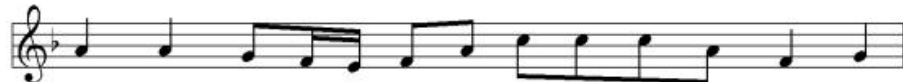
P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C **Amen**

HYMN OF PRAISE:



♩ Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



♩ Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther:



We wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:
 You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.
 You are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.
 For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
 you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,
 in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

P Let us pray.

C **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. Amen.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:1-6

¹ At that time, says the LORD, I will be the God of all the families of Israel, and they shall be my people.² Thus says

the LORD: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the LORD appeared to him from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall adorn yourself with your tambourines and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers.

⁵ Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit.

⁶ or there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: "Come, let us go up to Zion, to the LORD our God."

A The word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM: 118:1-2, 14-24 (Read Responsively)

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for the | LORD is good;
God's mercy endures forever.

² **Let Israel | now declare,
"God's mercy endures 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.**

¹⁸ The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over 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 righteous may enter.”

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

22 The stone that the builders 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.

SECOND READING: Acts 10:34-43

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.”

P The word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand as able

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION :

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL:

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 28th chapter.

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

Matthew 28:1-10

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.

Please be seated

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE:

SERMON:

Please stand as able.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!*
(LBW Green Hymnal) #131

P Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

THE 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; 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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

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.

After each portion of the prayers.

A 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:

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us share the peace with one another.

Please stand as able.

The Lord's table is prepared.

Offering brought forward.

Offering Prayer:

P O God,
C **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, Amen.**

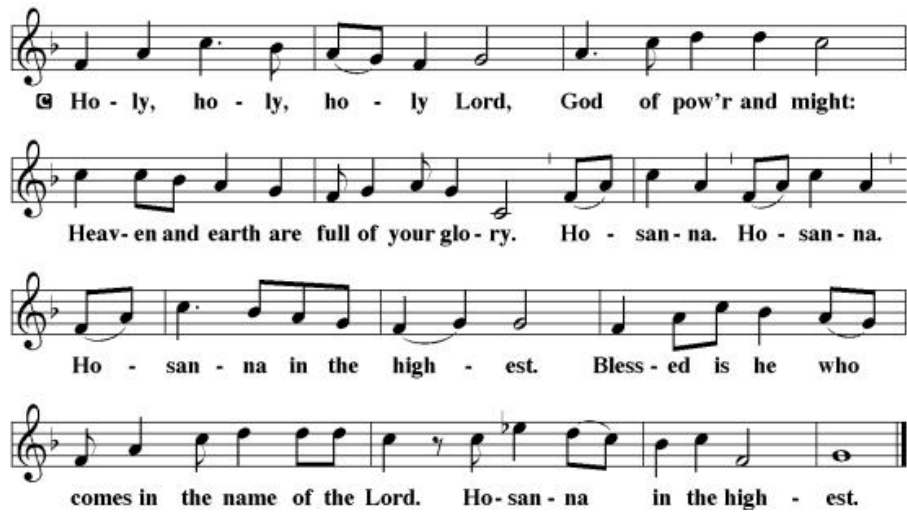
GREAT THANKSGIVING:

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 him thanks and praise**

PREFACE:

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everliving God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of our Lord; for he is the true Passover Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who by his death has destroyed death, and by his 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:

SANCTUS:



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.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

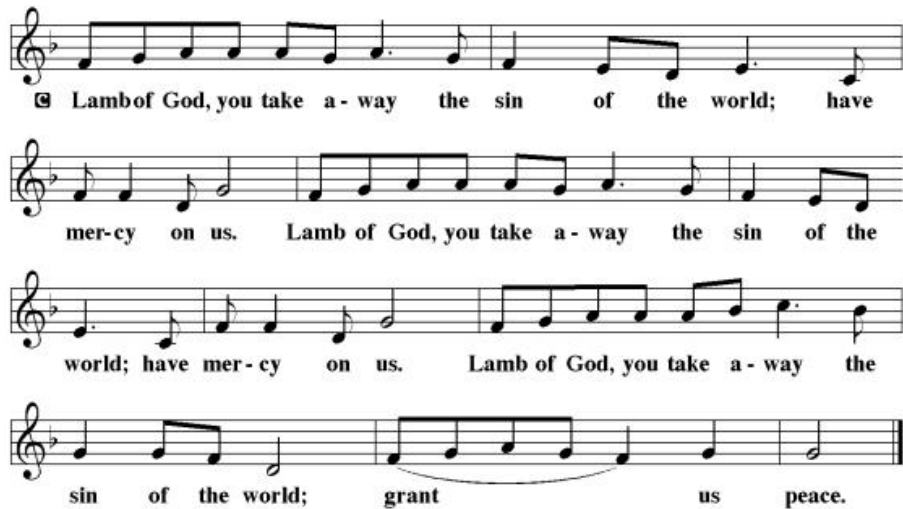
C **Amen.**

P Now let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

P Come to the table of new life. Receive the risen Lord.
Please be seated.



☐ 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION We will be communing by tables. Please follow the instruction of the usher. **Communion hymn of meditation** is played until everyone has communed.

Please stand as able.

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

C **Amen.**

COMMUNION PRAYER:

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.**

BLESSING:

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face
shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look
upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

C **Amen**

SENDING HYMN:

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing! #144
(LBW Green Hymnal)

DISMISSAL:

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

C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

THE POSTLUDE:

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The bulletins are given to the Glory of God by Trish Leib.

He is Risen!

The flowers adorning the altar and sanctuary are given to the glory of God by:

Jim and Roxann Clay

Nancy Faircloth

Pat Hardy

Linwood and Donna Lee and Hoover

Julie Jones

Blaine Leib

Michael, Karen, Edward, Emma and Finn McCullough

Michael Shambaugh

Sally Shambaugh

Sue Sunday

Ken and Marj Weary

ATTENDANCE

March 29, 2026	23
Last Year	21
Online March 22, 2026	106
Last Year	67

STEWARDSHIP

March 29, 2025	\$ 505.00
Last Year	\$ 3125.00
Included Threefold rent	\$ 1719.00

ANNOUNCEMENT

SATURDAY, APRIL 11 AT 1:00 PM, all are invited to begin discussion and planning for Mt. Zion moving forward, now that we have a called pastor. Topics include better use of available space in our building; identifying things we no longer use/need that can be sold, donated or discarded; better organization of storage; completion of unfinished projects. Discussion can include new ideas and what we can do to engage more members/new members/visitors.

THE BULLETINS To sign up the chart to sponsor bulletins, (\$25), is located on left bulletin board inside church doors. As this is part of our budget please sign up.

TRINDLE SPRING LUTHERAN CHURCH presents Music at the Spring 2025-2026 Messiah University Percussion Ensemble, April 26, 3 PM.

FINE ARTS AT FIRST 2025-2026 Muhlenberg College
Choirs April 19, 2026 at 4 PM. Flyer on bulletin downstairs

WALKING WORSHIP will continue to meet at 2:00 PM
at Spring Meadows Park, (address 640 West First Street
Boiling Spring.

FROM PASTOR JENNIFER If you are in need of a
home visit, or know someone who is, please contact Pastor
Jennifer at 734-576-2025 or
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**NEW HOPE'S DILLSBURG CENTER SPECIFIC
NEEDS:** Canned chicken, tuna or beef stew, Canned fruit
and fruit cups, Canned vegetables, Peanut Butter, Juice and
juice boxes, Ketchup and mustard, Diapers, wipes, diaper
cream, Feminine hygiene products, Laundry detergent,
Shampoo, Toilet paper; paper towels, Tooth Paste.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL -Information from Pastor
Jenn.** Lent will begin on Feb. 18th and so we will begin a
Lenten Sunday School session on Feb. 22nd. This year, we
are going to spend time on Jesus's Sermon on the Mount
utilizing Amy Jill Levine's book [https://www.amazon.com/
Sermon-Mount-Levine/dp/1501899899/ref=sr_1_1](https://www.amazon.com/Sermon-Mount-Levine/dp/1501899899/ref=sr_1_1). Just
like with Advent, you are welcome to get the book to read
along and deepen your study, or just walk through with our
Sunday conversations, and I will do my best to present the
material and guide our conversations. This will run till
completed.

PLAN AHEAD

April 7	Music and Worship	2:30 PM
April 9	Walking Worship	2:00 PM
April 11	Planning Meeting	1:00 PM
April 12	Lite Breakfast	8:00 AM
	Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Adult Sunday School	7:00 PM
April 16	Walking Worship	2:00 PM
	Council Meeting	7:00 PM
April 19	Lite Breakfast	8:00 AM
	Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Adult Sunday School	7:00 PM
	Muhlenberg College Choirs	4:00 PM
April 23	Walking Worship	2:00 PM
April 26	Lite Breakfast	8:00 AM
	Worship Service	8:30 AM
	Sunday School for children	(after Service)
	Messiah University Percussion Ensemble	3:00 PM
	Adult Sunday School	7:00 PM
May 4	Community Dinner	5:00 - 6:30 PM