

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 24, 2022

PRELUDE

RINGING OF THE BELLS

### EASTER ACCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Pastor: Shadows are powerful. Just ask the crowds in Jerusalem mentioned in Acts 5. When Peter walked by them, they brought the sick on mats, hoping that his shadow would fall upon them. It did. And the sick were healed! God's power was working through Peter's shadow to bring restoration in Jesus' name. Because our Savior is risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, His power is at work among us today as well. Even when death casts its gloomy shade over us, we stand in the shadow of Jesus' cross and empty tomb and, therefore, we are assured of His power and His provision forever. As we gather in Jesus' presence for worship today, may He fill us with great joy as we continue to celebrate His resurrection victory and confess Him as our Lord and God!

(Please Stand)

**✠ PREPARATION ✠**

## **HYMN**

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won” *LSB 490 vs 1-3*

**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 by my confidence**

**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**

**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**

## **INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and  
of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

## **EASTER ACCLAMATION**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

(Please be seated or kneel for the confession and absolution)

## **CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** *Psalm 91:1–2*

Pastor: He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

**People: I will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my  
fortress, my God, in whom I trust.”**

Pastor: Taking refuge in the mercy of the Lord, let us  
come before Him in prayer.

*A moment of silence to reflect on God’s Word and to examine our  
hearts before Him.*

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father,

**People: We confess that we are by nature sinful and  
unclean. We have sinned against You in thought,  
word, and deed. By the things we have done and  
by what we have failed to do, we have not  
honored You as we ought, nor have we served  
others in love. We deserve to be cast from Your  
presence forever. Yet in Your great mercy, You  
sent Your Son to die and rise again for us. Help us  
to know the power of His resurrection and to  
share in the joy that His forgiveness brings.  
Enable us to receive Your mercy and be renewed  
by Your Spirit that we may honor You as the Lord  
and God in whom we place our trust. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, hears our prayers and answers them for the sake of His Son, Jesus Christ. By faith, we stand at His cross and empty tomb. We find our refuge and sing for joy in the shadow of His wings. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

(Please stand)

**✠ WORD ✠**

## **KYRIE**

Pastor: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For peace shining down on us from above and for the salvation of all people, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For peace so that the Church of God would more brightly shine the light of the Gospel in the nations of the world, let us pray to the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Lord, have mercy.**

Pastor: For all who join us here to thank God for the  
unsearchable riches of Christ, let us pray to the  
Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Lord, have mercy.**

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

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

“Jesus Lives! The Victory’s Won” *LSB 490 vs 4&5*

**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**

**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 in my confidence**

## **SALUTATION**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People:** (spoken) **And also with you.**

## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty God, grant that we who stand in the shadow of the cross and empty tomb

**People: may join with all other witnesses of the resurrection in boldly sharing with the world that Jesus is Lord and God;**

Pastor: through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please be seated)

## **FIRST READING** *Acts 5:12–32* *ESV*

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high esteem. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes of both men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets and laid them on cots and mats, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up, and all who were with him (that is, the party of the Sadducees), and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the public prison. But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them

out, and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life." And when they heard this, they entered the temple at daybreak and began to teach. Now when the high priest came, and those who were with him, they called together the council, all the senate of the people of Israel, and sent to the prison to have them brought. But when the officers came, they did not find them in the prison, so they returned and reported, "We found the prison securely locked and the guards standing at the doors, but when we opened them we found no one inside." Now when the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these words, they were greatly perplexed about them, wondering what this would come to. And someone came and told them, "Look! The men whom you put in prison are standing in the temple and teaching the people." Then the captain with the officers went and brought them, but not by force, for they were afraid of being stoned by the people. And when they had brought them, they set them before the council. And the high priest questioned them, saying, "We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to

these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM** *Psalm 148; antiphon: v. 13*

(All things join in praising the Lord.)

Pastor: Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!

**People: Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!**

Pastor: Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars!

**People: Praise Him, you highest heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

Pastor: Let them praise the name of the LORD! For He commanded and they were created.

**People: And He established them forever and ever; He gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.**

Pastor: Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all deeps,

**People: fire and hail, snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling His word!**

Pastor: Mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars!

**People: Beasts and all livestock, creeping things and flying birds! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

Pastor: Kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all rulers of the earth!

**People: Young men and maidens together, old men and children! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His majesty is above earth and heaven.**

Pastor: He has raised up a horn for His people, praise for all His saints,

**People: for the people of Israel who are near to Him. Praise the LORD! 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.**

### **EPISTLE** *Revelation 1:4–18 ESV*

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so.

Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty." I, John, your brother and partner in the tribulation and the kingdom and the patient endurance that are in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos on account of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and I heard behind me a loud voice like a trumpet saying, "Write what you see in a book and send it to the seven churches, to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamum and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea." Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Thanks be to God.**

(Please stand)

**VERSE** *Romans 6:9; John 20:29b*

Pastor: Alleluia. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again;

**People: death no longer has dominion over Him.  
Alleluia.**

Pastor: Blessed are those who have not seen

**People: and yet have believed. Alleluia.**

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

**People: (sing) Glory to You, O Lord.**

**HOLY GOSPEL** *John 20:19–31 ESV*

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, “Peace be with you.” When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.” Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.” Eight days

later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**People:** (sing) **Praise to You, O Christ.**

(Please be seated)

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

*"The Strife Is O'er the Battle Done" LSB 464 verses 1 & 2*

**Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

**The strife is o'er the battle done  
Now is the victor's triumph won  
Now be the song of praise begun  
Alleluia**

## Alleluia alleluia alleluia

The pow'rs of death have done their worst  
But Christ their legions hath dispersed  
Let shouts of holy joy outburst  
Alleluia

### ++ SERMON ++

“This shadow changes everything”

**Text:** Acts 5:12–20 (21–32)

**Other Lessons:** Psalm 148; Revelation 1:4–18; John 20:19–31

**Theme:** The shadow of gloom and death is changed to the shadow of God’s power and life with Christ’s resurrected presence in our lives.

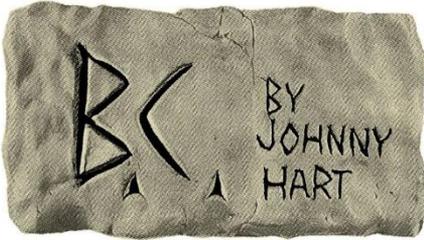
**Goal:** That everyone listening, through the power of the Holy Spirit, believe more firmly that the shadow of God’s power and presence comes to them in Jesus’ resurrection.

### Outline

1. The shadow imagery speaks of God’s presence and power.
2. But the shadow imagery can also be negative.
3. Jesus’ resurrection changes the shadow of death to the shadow of life.

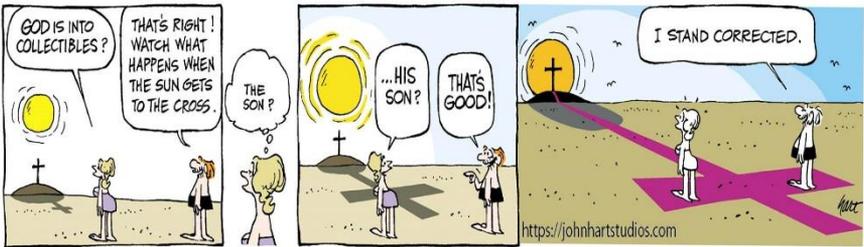
The Shadow of Gloom and Death is Changed to the Shadow of God’s Power and Life with Christ’s Resurrected Presence in Our Lives.

(Please stand)



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## POST SERMON HYMN

“The Strife Is O’er the Battle Done” LSB 464 verses 4 & 5  
**Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

**He broke the age-bound chains of hell  
 The bars from heav'n's high portals fell  
 Let hymns of praise His triumph tell  
 Alleluia**

**Alleluia alleluia alleluia**

**Lord by the stripes which wounded Thee  
From death's dread sting Thy servants free  
That we may live and sing to Thee  
Alleluia**

**CREED**

*Nicene Creed*

**People:**

**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.

(Please be seated or kneel for the prayer)

## **PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs. Gracious God, You are exalted over all things in heaven and on earth. In Your mercy, You shower us with blessings of both body and soul as You care for Your creation. Enable us to see Your hands at work in our midst that, together with all

those who share in the power of Your Son's resurrection, we always say of You:

**People:** (spoken) **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: Giver of life, You renew our souls through the power of Your Holy Spirit as we dwell in the shadow of Your wings. As we continue to celebrate the joy of our Savior's Easter victory, grant that Your Church on earth always speaks Your Word with boldness and confidence, that like the first eyewitnesses of Christ's resurrection, we share with all people:

**People:** (spoken) **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: You govern all nations with Your mighty and merciful hand, O Lord. Show forth Your favor to the land in which we live, raising up men and women who will serve as godly leaders among us; blessing those who make, administer, and judge our laws; protecting all those who serve in harm's way for the benefit of others; and helping us always to know and believe:

**People:** (spoken) **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: In Your Son's earthly ministry, people brought to Him all those who were sick and suffering that He might touch and heal them. This ministry of healing continued through His disciples in the earliest church. Even now, we know that Jesus heals, renews, and restores through the Means of Grace He has provided for our benefit. Place Your healing hand upon those for in need,..... In the

shadow of Your healing presence, we boldly confess:

**People:** (spoken) **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: Prepare the hearts of all those who will receive You at Your Table this day, O Lord. Help us to cast aside all bitterness and pride, laying our burdens down at the foot of Christ's cross. Because He lives in triumph over death and the grave, we experience His life-giving presence as we are gathered in His name to remember His sacrifice. Grant that all who share in His body and blood look upon Him, trust in Him, and always say of Him:

**People:** (spoken) **You alone are Lord and God!**

Pastor: We bring all these prayers before You, gracious Father, in the name of Him who is risen from the dead and reigns with You forever as our Lord and God: Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

(Please Stand)

## ✠ SACRAMENT ✠

**PREFACE** *2 Timothy 4:22*

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People:** (spoken) **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People:** (spoken) **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People:** (spoken) **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

## **PROPER PREFACE**

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty God, everlasting Father, for the amazing love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into the valley of the shadow of death so that we will not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will rest in the shadow of His glorious presence and know Your power forever. Therefore with Thomas and all witnesses of the resurrection, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

## **SANCTUS** *(sing) LSB 195*

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth  
Heav'n and earth are full of Thy glory**

**Hosanna**

**Hosanna**

**Hosanna in the highest**

**Blessed is He**

**Blessed is He**

**Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord**

**Hosanna,**

**Hosanna**

**Hosanna in the highest**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** *based on Acts 5:30–32*

Pastor: God of our fathers, You have filled our hearts  
with endless joy in the resurrection of Your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**People: You raised Your Son from the dead after evil  
men killed Him by hanging Him on the tree of the  
cross.**

Pastor: You exalted Him to Your right hand as leader and  
Savior to give repentance and forgiveness of sins  
to all who trust in Him.

**People: (spoken) In the power of the Holy Spirit, we join  
with all those who dwell in the shadow of Your  
presence to give You all glory, honor, and  
worship, now and forever. Amen.**

**LORD'S PRAYER** *Matthew 6:9–13*

**People: 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 WORDS OF OUR LORD

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20; 1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: **“Take, eat; this is My ☩ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”**

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: **“Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ☩ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”**

## PAX DOMINI

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

People: (spoken) **Amen.**

## AGNUS DEI (sung) LSB 198

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God that takest away the sin of  
the world have mercy upon us**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of  
the world, have mercy upon us**

**O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of  
the world, grant us Thy peace. Amen.**

(Please be seated)

## **DISTRIBUTION HYMN**

*“Were You There” LSB 456*

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Oh...**

**Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble**

**Were you there when they crucified my Lord?**

**Were you there when they nailed Him to the Tree?**

**Were you there when they nailed Him to the Tree?**

**Oh...**

**Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble**

**Were you there when they nailed Him to the Tree?**

**Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?**

**Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?**

**Oh...**

**Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble**

**Were you there when they laid Him in the tomb?**

**Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?**

**Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?**

**Oh...**

**Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble**

**Were you there when God raised Him from the tomb?**

(Please stand at the conclusion of the distribution for the blessing followed by the Post-Communion Canticle, The Nunc Dimittiss)

## **THE POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

## **THE NUNC DIMITTIS** (sung) TLH p. 29-30

**Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant  
depart in peace according to Thy word,  
for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast prepared before the face  
of all people, a light to lighten the  
Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen**

## **POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Here, O Lord, in the true body and blood of Your Son, we have seen You face-to-face and touched the same Savior who showed His hands and side to Thomas and the other disciples. Grant that we who stand forgiven in the shadow of His cross may testify with great boldness to the power of His resurrection; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

**BENEDICTION**    *Numbers 6:24–26*

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.

**People:** (spoken) **Amen.**

**EASTER ACCLAMATION**

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen! X2

**People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

**HYMN**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” *LSB 549*

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name**

**Let angels prostrate fall**

**Bring forth the royal diadem**

**And crown Him Lord of all**

**Bring forth the royal diadem**

**And crown Him Lord of all**

**Crown Him ye martyrs of our God**

**Who from His altar call**

**Extol the stem of Jesse's rod**

**And crown Him Lord of all**

**Extol the stem of Jesse's rod**

**And crown Him Lord of all**

**Ye seed of Israel's chosen race  
Ye ransomed from the fall  
Hail Him who saves you  
by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Hail Him who saves you by His grace  
And crown Him Lord of all**

**Hail Him ye heirs of David's line,  
Whom David Lord did call  
The God Incarnate man divine  
And crown Him Lord of all  
The God Incarnate man divine  
And crown Him Lord of all**

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
The wormwood and the gall,  
Go spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Go spread your trophies at His feet  
And crown Him Lord of all**

**Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe  
On this terrestrial ball  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all  
To Him all majesty ascribe  
And crown Him Lord of all**

**Oh, that with yonder sacred throng  
We at His feet may fall  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all  
We'll join the everlasting song  
And crown Him Lord of all**

## **THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE**

Rev. Paul Pollatz, Pastor

Marie Brown, Organist

Dave Brown, Elder & Reader

Gary Mason, Glenn Cairns & Kim Armstrong, Ushers

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Thank you from Ken Kosmalski**

Thank you to all who assisted in “stripping the Altar” on Maundy Thursday and to those who prepared our Church for Easter Sunday. Your stewardship to Mt. Hope and the Lord is genuinely appreciated.

### **Thank you from Pastor**

- To all who attended and contributed to the lead up and including the Easter service!
- Jim Bumgarner, in his great talent with his trumpet
- Laurie Pignanelli, our lector and greeter
- Christine Thompson, in the preparation of the altar for worship
- Frank Pignanelli, in his talents in greeting

- Dave & Marie Brown, in such excellent music presentations
- Glenn Cairns, help with decorating the sanctuary for easter
- Ken Kosmalski, in his many talents in helping at the baptismal font, choir, reading, etc
- All Choir Members
- Ushers/Greeters, in their expertise in greeting at the door
- Everyone that donated lilies
- Lori Wilson, in all her help with the baptism of Alaric Maximilian Eli Aubrey
- April, our church secretary, for the production of our bulletins during the Lenten Season
- Linda Panich, in all her help with the baptism of Sophia Panich, her granddaughter, on Palm Sunday
- All the individuals who helped with stripping of the altar on maundy Thursday

**Thank you all and all whom we unintentionally missed**

### **Are you in need of**

Snow Removal

Spring Clean Up

Grass Cutting

Small Landscaping jobs

Please call **Ryan Ladach Jr @ 947-252-0363**

### **Attendance**

Sunday April 17<sup>th</sup>

9:30 am 85

## **Prayer List**

If sudden illness or the need for immediate prayers occurs, please feel free to contact our Prayer Chain leader, Joan Hafkesbrink, at 313.565.6871. Prayer requests will remain on the list for two weeks.

### **Anniversary**

#### **Birthdays**

April Stover – April 26<sup>th</sup>

#### **For the Shut-Ins**

*Dorothy MacTavish, at home*

*George Morton, at home*

*Carmell Faulk, at home*

*Phyllis Witte, at home*

*Melvin Kimbrough, at home*

*Lynn Mayfield, at home*

#### **For Those Who Are Sick or Healing**

**Brandon Lissett** – Nancy Dajos Neighbor’s nephew, fore healing after a relapse and is back in the hospital on a respirator.

**Rita Merkey**, mother of Patti McNeil, who fell recently and broke her hip;

**Sally Trout**, during the Easter Services she was having a procedure done on her lower back after she fell;

**Pastor Raymond R. Pollatz, Jr.**, Pastor Paul’s brother, suffering with and in the last stages of Parkinson’s;

**Randy Gibbs**, Pat Bates’ son in law, who was shot in the

face a week ago, progressing in his recovery and is home now, praise the Lord, he will need much reconstruction work on his face;

**Pat Bates**, in her continuing need for blood;

**Ruth Pollatz**, who had a heart catheterization this past week;

**Pat Bates**, in her need for more blood

**Michel H**, Friend of Kim Armstrong, had open heart surgery 3/18 in Florida. Being watched for pneumonia as he is having difficulty breathing. He also needs surgery on both legs so he can walk again.

**Cheryl Celina**, Friend of Pam Benford, Diagnosed with Parkinson's