

Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter

216 N. Main Street • Belmont, NC 28012 • Sunday, April 16, 2017

The Resurrection of Our Lord

Micah Kearney
Pastor



Greg Cline
Organist/Choirmaster

WELCOME/GATHERING

(Children's Ensemble members meet with Beka in the courtyard as they prepare for the entrance hymn.)

PRELUDE: *Let the Bright Seraphim* Handel

DECLARATION

This is the day! This is our Passover with Christ from darkness to light, from bondage to freedom, from death to life. Today is the heart of our celebration of the Three Days and the pinnacle of the church's year. The resurrection of Christ is proclaimed in word and sign, and we gather around a pillar of fire, hear ancient stories of our faith, welcome new sisters and brothers at the font, and share the food and drink of the Promised Land. Raised with Christ, we go forth into the world, aflame with the good news of the resurrection.

ENTRANCE HYMN: *Jesus Christ is Risen Today, Alleluia! All Stand & Sing*



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove, Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
 un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all you heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts. 1-3: tr. J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4
 Music: EASTER HYMN, J. Walsh, *Lyra Davidica*, 1708

GREETING

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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.**

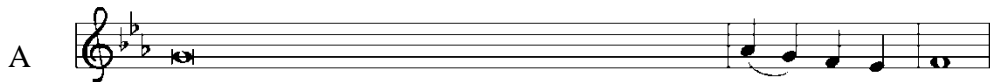
KYRIE



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



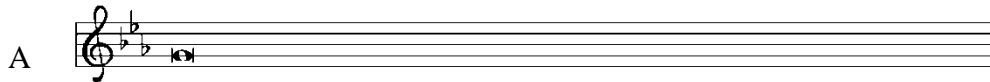
Lord, have mer - cy.



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



Lord, have mer - cy.



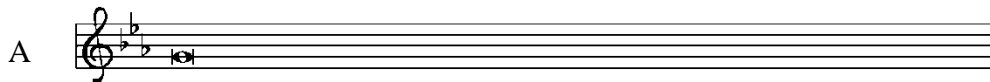
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

C

Lord, have mer - cy.

A

Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.

C

A - men, a - men.

HYMN OF PRAISE All Sing Refrain & Verses

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.


Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and


blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:

Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

Refrain




hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
God and the Lamb for - ev - er, A - men.



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

Refrain



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

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.

C Amen.

*Congregation is seated and invited to sing "Jesus Loves Me"
as the children come forward.*

CHILDREN'S TIME

Children ages 4 to 8 years-old are invited to go to the Education building for a 20-minute (or so) time together **immediately after the Children's sermon**. Children will return to their parents during the hymn of the day. Children **birth through 3 years-old** are invited to join others their age **in the nurseries**.

FIRST READING

Acts 10:34–43

A reading from Acts, the tenth chapter.

Peter's sermon, delivered at the home of Cornelius, a Roman army officer, sums up the essential message of Christianity. Everyone who believes in Jesus, whose life, death, and resurrection fulfilled the words of the prophets, receives forgiveness of sins through his name.

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality,
³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him.
³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ — he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how 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. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not 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. ⁴²He 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. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Colossians 3:1–4

A reading from Colossians, the third chapter.

Easter means new life for us as it first meant new life for Christ. His resurrection reshapes the entire focus and motivation for our lives, since we are now hidden with the risen Christ in God.

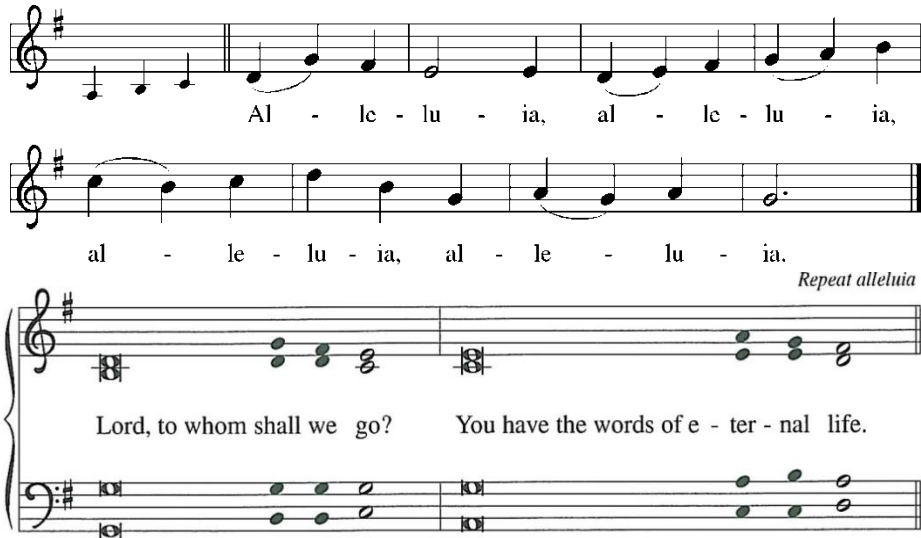
¹If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

A The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL PROCESSION: *The Congregation stands & turns to face the Processional Cross*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

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

The musical score is written for a single melodic line on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first two lines of music are for the 'Al - le - lu - ia' acclamation, with lyrics written below the notes. The third line of music is for the 'Repeat alleluia' and includes the text 'Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.' The score is presented in a simple, clear format suitable for a congregation.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 28:1–10

P The holy gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

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

Sorrow gives way to “fear and great joy” when two women are sent by an angel to proclaim the good news: Jesus is risen!

¹After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ²And 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. ³His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷Then 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.” ⁸So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them and said,



“Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

P The gospel of the Lord.
C Praise to you, O Christ.

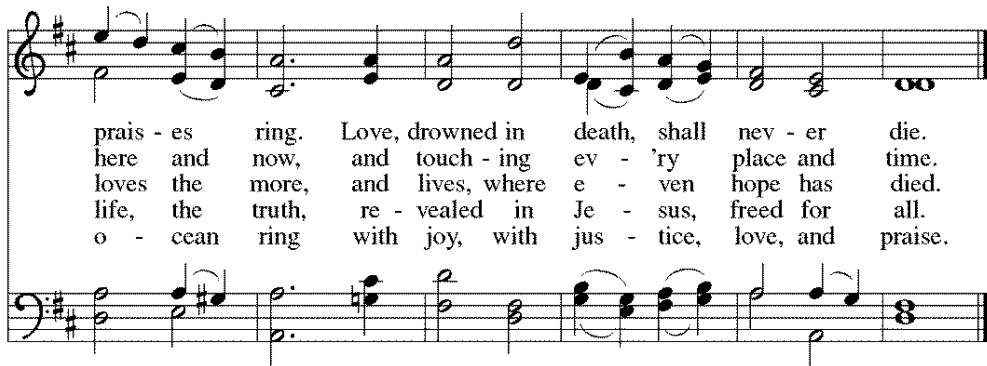
SERMON Pastor Micah



HYMN OF THE DAY: *Christ Is Alive!* All Stand & Sing vs. 1, 4 & 5
Women sing verse 2, Men sing verse 3

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



Text: Brian A. Wren, b. 1936

Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

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APOSTLES CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Rejoicing in the risen life of Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church. Unite all Christians in our shared calling to proclaim the gospel. Raise up women and men to serve as faithful leaders. Make us bold witnesses to the resurrection. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For the earth. Renew your creation with seasonable weather and growth. Protect plants and animals from the damage of excessive heat or cold, drought or flooding, windstorm or hail. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For the nations. Bring peace to communities torn apart by warfare. Guide all refugees to safety. Bolster the courage of those who put themselves in danger to preserve the lives of others. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For those in need. Shelter the homeless. Protect those who suffer abuse or neglect. Befriend the lonely. Give peace to the dying, comfort the bereaved, and heal the sick (*especially*). Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

For this assembly. Free us from fear, and renew us in faith. Bless the newly baptized, those who seek to know your love, and all who come to your holy table. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

With thanksgiving, we remember those who have died and all who yearn for the fulfillment of your Easter promise of resurrection and life. Lord, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

Joining our voices with your faithful ones in every time and place, we offer our prayers in the name of the Risen One, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

PEACE

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

SHARING THE PEACE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: *The Earth Is Risen* Church Choir

Now the Earth is Risen again from the winter's bond and pain.

Bring we leaf and flower and spray to adorn this Easter, this Holy Day.

The Earth is Risen...Once again the word comes true. All the earth is born anew.

Now the coldest days are o'er, and light and gladness as before.

The earth is risen, The Word comes true. All the earth is born anew.

How our hearts leap with the Spring! How our voices soar and sing!

Life has triumphed over death, and beauty rises, sings on every breath.

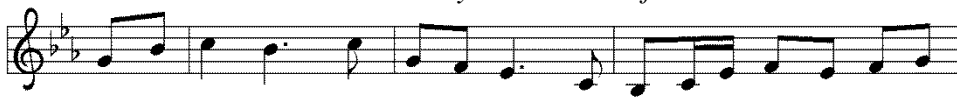
Sing My Soul. Change, then, mourning into Praise. With loudest voices anthems raise.

All our fears and griefs shall be lost in immortality. How our hearts leap with Spring!

How our spirits soar and sing! For now, beyond the depths of pain,

All the Earth is Risen. Christ our Lord is risen again, Risen Again!

OFFERTORY RESPONSE: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful* All Stand & Sing



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of



all; u-nite them with the prayers we of-fer. Grace our ta-ble



with your pres-ence, and give us a fore-taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

Pastor *Congregation*

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give our thanks and praise.

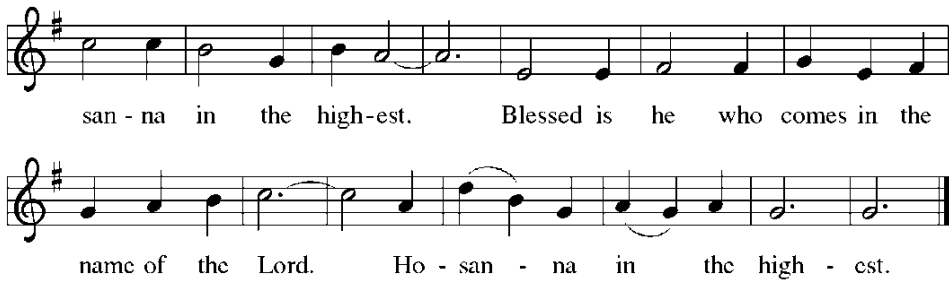
PREFACE

...We praise your name and join their unending hymn...

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of

pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

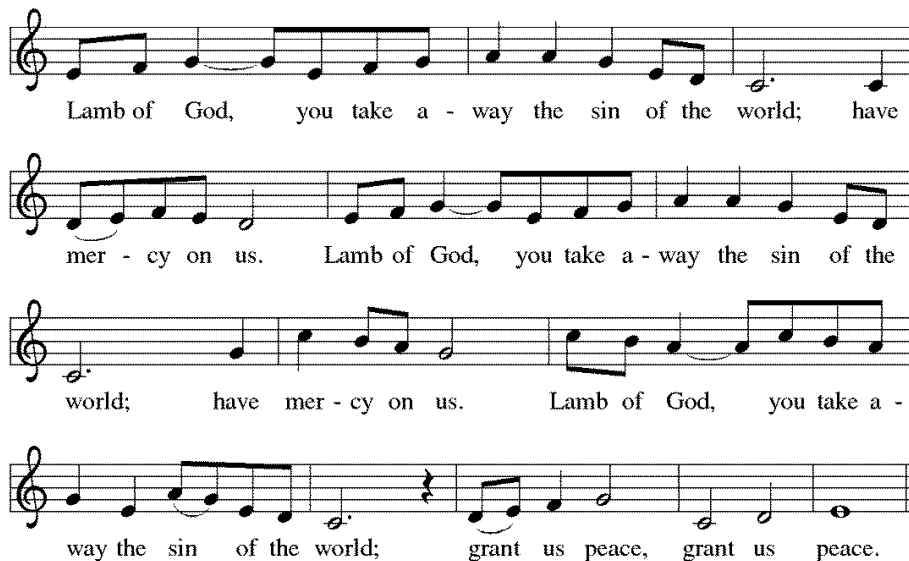
Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power, and the glory,
 forever and ever. Amen.



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P Now let us feast this Easter day on Christ, the bread of heaven. Hallelujah!
C Thanks be to God.

LAMB OF GOD All Sing



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, grant us peace.

COMMUNION

A cordial invitation is extended to all persons to participate in the celebration of the real presence of the Risen Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

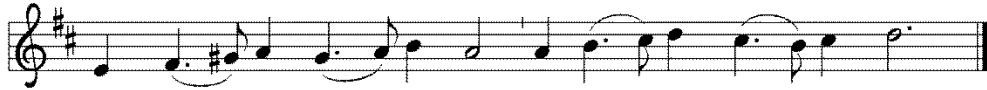
Music During Communion: *God's Love Is Always With Us* Handbell Choir
Above the Voices Chamber Choir
Awake, My Heart, with Gladness All Sing



1 A - wake, my heart, with glad - ness, see what to - day is done;
2 Now hell, its prince, the dev - il, of all their pow'r are shorn;
3 This is a sight that glad - dens—what peace it does im - part!
4 Now I will cling for - ev - er to Christ, my Sav - ior true;
5 Christ brings me to the por - tal that leads to bliss un - told,
now, af - ter gloom and sad - ness, comes forth the glo - rious sun.
now I am safe from e - vil, and sin I laugh to scorn.
Now noth - ing ev - er sad - dens the joy with - in my heart.
my Lord will leave me nev - er, what - e'er he pass - es through.
where - on this rhyme im - mor - tal is found in script of gold:



My Sav - ior there was laid where our bed must be made
For Christ a - gain is free; in glo - rious vic - to - ry
No gloom shall ev - er shake, no foe shall ev - er take,
He rends death's i - ron chain; he breaks through sin and pain;
"Who there my cross has shared finds here a crown pre - pared;



when, as on wings in flight, we soar to realms of light.
he who is strong to save has tri - umphed o'er the grave.
the hope which God's own Son in love for me has won.
he shat - ters hell's grim thrall; I fol - low him through all.
who there with me has died shall here be glo - ri - fied."

Text: Paul Gerhardt, 1607–1676; tr. John Kelly, 1833–1890, alt.
Music: AUF, AUF, MEIN HERZ, Johann Crüger, 1598–1662

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

C Amen

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Life-giving God,

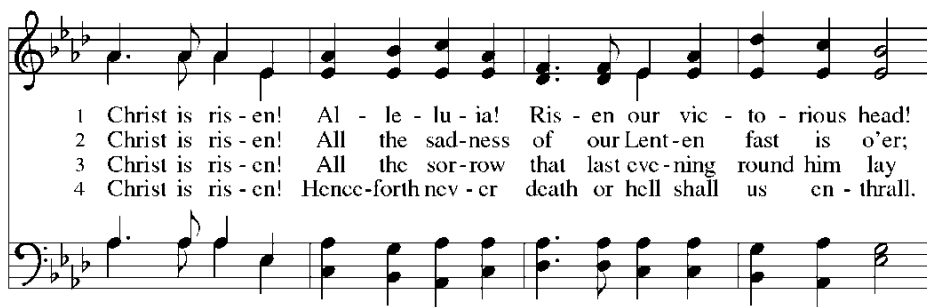
in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

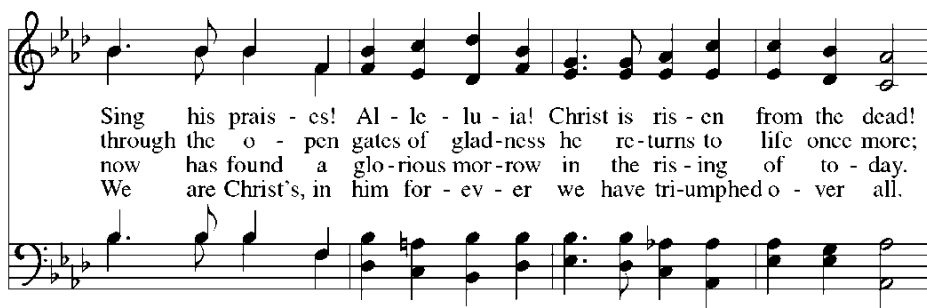
P May God who has brought us from death to life fill you with great joy. Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C Amen.

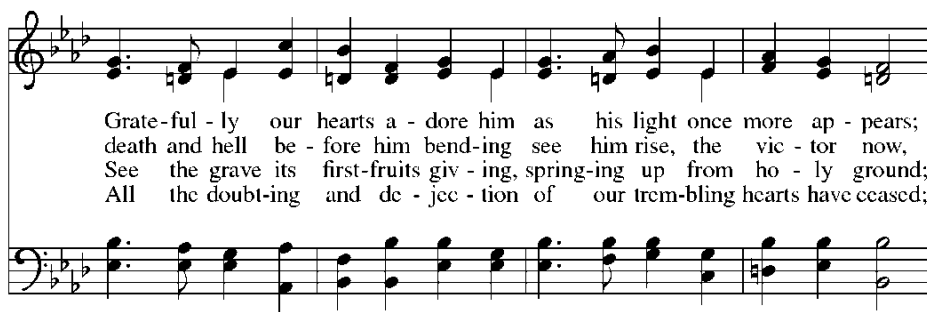
RECESSIONAL HYMN: *Christ Is Risen, Alleluia!* All Stand & Sing



1 Christ is ris-en! Al-le-lu-ia! Ris-en our vic-tor-ious head!
 2 Christ is ris-en! All the sad-ness of our Lent-en fast is o'er;
 3 Christ is ris-en! All the sor-row that last eve-ning round him lay
 4 Christ is ris-en! Hence-forth nev-er death or hell shall us en-thrall.



Sing his prais-es! Al-le-lu-ia! Christ is ris-en from the dead!
 through the o-pen gates of glad-ness he re-turns to life once more;
 now has found a glo-rious mor-row in the ris-ing of to-day.
 We are Christ's, in him for-ev-er we have tri-umphed o-ver all.



Grate-ful-ly our hearts a-dore him as his light once more ap-pears;
 death and hell be-fore him bend-ing see him rise, the vic-tor now,
 See the grave its first-fruits giv-ing, spring-ing up from ho-ly ground;
 All the doubt-ing and de-jec-tion of our trem-bling hearts have ceased;



bow-ing down in joy be-fore him, ris-ing up from griefs and tears.
 an-gels on his steps at-tend-ing, glo-ry round his wound-ed brow.
 Christ was dead, but now is liv-ing; he was lost, but he is found.
 hail the day of res-ur-rec-tion! Let us rise and keep the feast.

Refrain

Christ is ris - en! Al - le - lu - ia! Ris - en our vic - to - rious head!

Sing his prais-es! Al - le - lu - ia! Christ is ris - en from the dead!

Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811–1875, alt.
 Music: MORGENLIED, Frederick C. Maker, 1844–1927

DISMISSAL

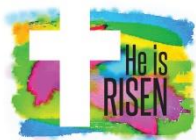
A Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

A You are the body of Christ raised up for the world. Go in peace. Share the good news.

C **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: *March* Handel



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A CORDIAL WELCOME is extended to all of our visitors on this **Resurrection of Our Lord Sunday**. We pray that you will find a warm fellowship while you are among us and that you will return home with a renewed sense of dedication to Jesus Christ. Please sign our guest register or a visitor's card so that we can become acquainted with you. If you are without a church home, we invite you to investigate membership in this family of God.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME IN WORSHIP. Jesus said, "let the children come to me!" Parents are encouraged to utilize the Kids Worship Kits found in the Narthex for older toddlers through early elementary age. Nurseries for children (**infants through 3 years old**) are located in the Education building. Let an usher know if you need assistance.



KIDS' WORSHIP CENTER: Pick up kits as you enter for worship! **Please return the tote bag** with the plastic bag of crayons, scratch pads, and pencils to the stand in the narthex. The children may take any papers home with them.

PRAYER REQUESTS: A notebook has been placed in the narthex for your prayer requests during the week. The book will be in the narthex on Sundays and in the church office during the week. **If you wish a name to be added to our prayer board, please fill out a form from the prayer book or fill in the online form at www.holyc.org.**

THE FLOWERS ON OUR ALTAR TODAY are given by Myra & Bill Hollar to the glory of our risen Savior and in memory and gratitude to the twelve charter members who in 1917 had the vision, hope, desire and faith to establish a Lutheran Church in Belmont. And, thanks to the many who have since followed with sacrifice, dedication and service and in honor of Holy Comforter's future.

Those who have placed flowers on the altar may use the containers to take them home, but please return the containers to the church.

Carmen Buell, Worship & Music

Attendance & Budget Report for Sunday, April 9, 2017:

Attendance: 179

Budget Report

	<u>April 9, 2017</u>	<u>Year-to-Date</u>
Offering	\$ 6,726.50	\$ 77,368.75
Expenses	\$ 5,656.42	\$ 82,105.65
Offering less Expenses	<u>(\$ 1,070.08)</u>	<u>(\$ 4,736.90)</u>
Budgeted Expenses		<u>\$ 82,105.65</u>
Offering less Budgeted Expenses		<u>(\$ 3,432.87)</u>

ASSISTING MINISTERS:**LECTOR:** Billy Joye**DECLARATION:** Bob Koehler**ACOLYTES & CRUCIFERS:**

Volunteers

GREETER: Pat Koehler**ALTAR GUILD:** (Team 4)

Dian Halvorson, Co-Captain

Dean Halvorson, Co-Captain

Carmen Buell Barbara Kasmer

NURSERY: (9:30 am-11:45 am)*Infants:* Staff*Toddlers:* Volunteer**PERCUSSION:** Elizabeth Bruchon
Diann Halvorson**COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:**

Volunteers

TRUMPETS: Daniel Farinella
Brandon McCotter**EUCCHARIST PRESENTERS:**

Volunteers

TELLERS: Raini Kimball, Dennis Tucker**CHILDREN'S CHURCH:** Veronica Bryant**USHERS:** Volunteers**CHILDREN'S ENSEMBLE ASSISTANT:** Beka Forst**BIRTHDAYS FOR THIS WEEK: 16-22**

Today, April 16 Misty Koehler

Debbie Neagle

April 17 Jody Flowers

April 19 Jake MacDonald

April 20 Carly Caldwell

**THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS:****Today, Sunday, April 16**7:00 am **Sunrise Service**

Breakfast after the service

No Children's Sunday School

10:05 am Chamber Choir in Choir Room

10:10 am Church Choir in Choir Room

10:30 am The Service w/**Holy Communion & Flowering of the Cross****Tuesday, April 18**

7:00 pm Nar-A-Non

The Lillian E. Lineberger Scholarship application forms are due April 30th. Forms are available via email. Just email holycomforter@gmail.com and request an application form. You may fill in the form on-line, but must print it out so it can be signed by both student and parent/guardian.

Only those applications including the required transcript and essay received by the April 30th deadline will be considered.



***Our beautiful Easter lilies were given to the Glory of God, in honor of,
or in memory of loved ones by the following:***

Barbara Beale in memory of husband Carrol Beale
Deb & Steve Bingham in honor of Barbara Bingham
Deb & Steve Bingham in memory of Bob & John Bingham and Herman & Thelma Kivett
Donna Bean and Horace Bean in memory of Faye Hamilton Bean
Andrew, Veronica, Jack & Beckham Bryant in memory of Theron Nance
The Buells to the Glory of God
Greg Byrum in honor of Mrs. Olin S. (Libby) Byrum
Greg Byrum in memory of Mr. Olin S. Byrum
Eric Carpenter in memory of Frank Carpenter and John Herbst
Jill Cassel in memory of Dick Michael
Jill Cassel in memory of Grandpa Robinson
Greg Cline in honor of Shirley Causby
Greg Cline in memory of Tommy Causby
Dr. Raul & Jo Anne de la Vega in memory of Dr. & Mrs. William L. Kannapel
Dr. Raul & Jo Anne de la Vega in memory of Dr. & Mrs. Raul E. de la Vega
Pastor Micah & Jenn Kearney to the Glory of God (2 lilies)
Dianne Lail in honor of children and grandchildren
Dianne Lail in memory of father, Odie Lail
Anne & Arch Lineberger in memory of Mr. & Mrs. James A Johnson, Jr.
Anne & Arch Lineberger in memory of Mrs. Lillian Lineberger
Charles & Bev Mauney in honor of Ginger, Chuck & Jake MacDonald; Al McCoy; Jimmy,
Katie, Henry & Anna Spikes; and Laurel
Charles & Bev Mauney in memory of Heather Mauney Yount, Ray & Betsy Mauney,
and Mary McCoy
Paul & Tracey Nault in memory of Judy H. Summey
Paul & Tracey Nault in memory of Mr. & Mrs. Robert L. Nault
Paul & Tracey Nault in memory of Mr. Bill Larsen
Nancy Powell in honor of sister, Janice Barker
Nancy Powell in memory of parents, James & Margaret Sipe
Rob Ratchford in memory of Mabel & Don Ratchford
Gary & Karen Rogers in memory of Harry & Helen Laver
Kurt & Cynthia Scholler to the Glory of God (2 lilies)
Lynne Sudarich in memory of parents Leonard & Marie Sudarich
Sarah Tench; Joey, Wyatt & Noah Helms in honor of Jack & Laura Tench
Sarah Tench; Joey, Wyatt & Noah Helms in honor Khloe June and Elizabeth Tench

Deb Williams in honor of grandsons, Brody & Braden Alvarez
Reesa Wilson in memory of Lillian Lewis, Horsley & Mary Alice and Alex Stowe
Mark & Rebecca Yount and Luke & Alec Via in honor of Fran Holland
Mark & Rebecca Yount and Luke & Alec Via in memory of Heather Mauney Yount

This is the list that was turned into the church office.
We apologize if there were names omitted from this list.

Women's Bible Study resumes on **Wednesday, April 26**. Meet at 6:45 pm for the study of Book of Revelation.



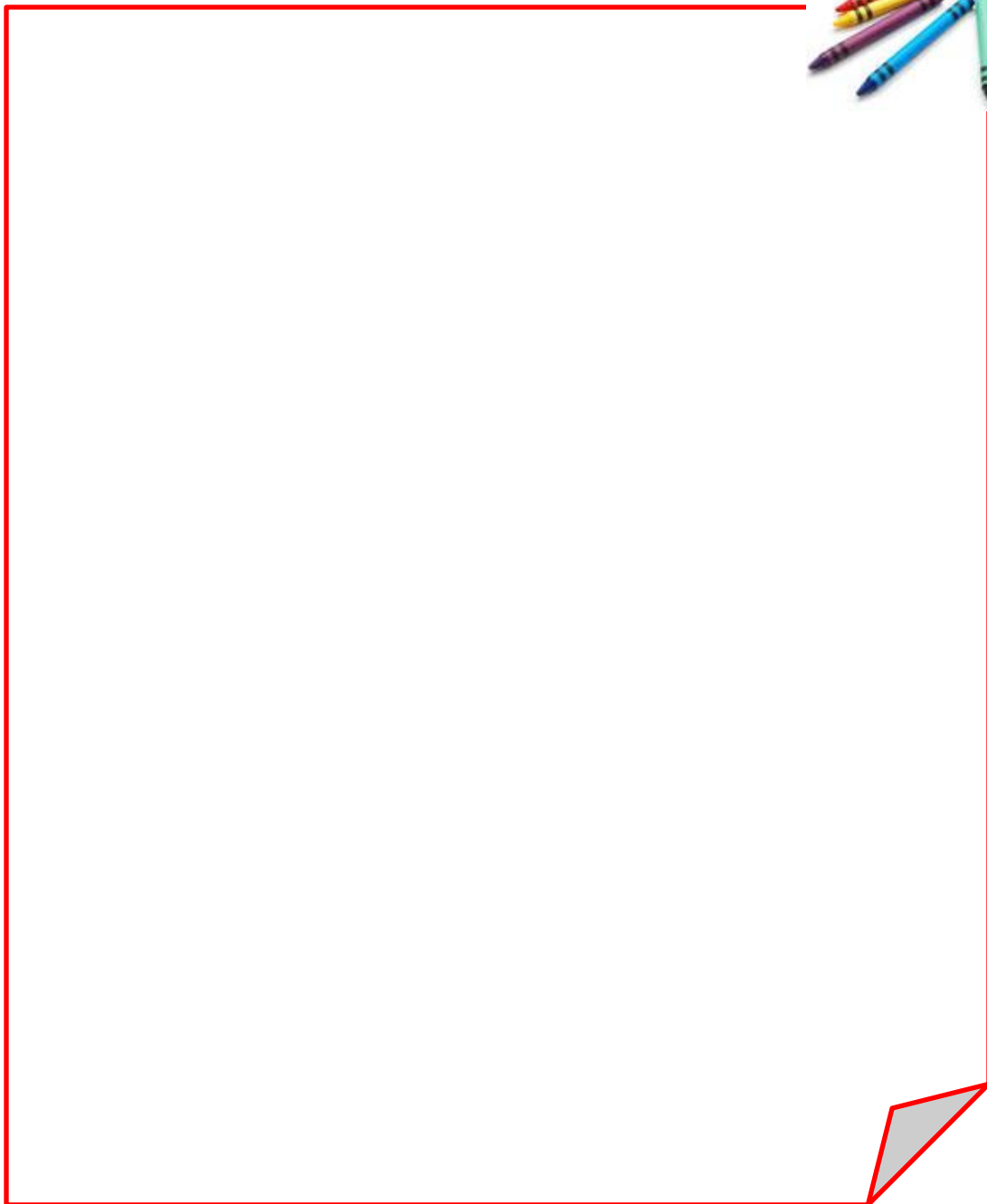
On Saturday, April 29 Holy Comforter will be in *Kevin Loftin Park* in Belmont to help celebrate **Earth Day!** Come by from 11:00 am -2:00 pm.

All orders for the Centennial t-shirts are due today. Make checks payable to *Holy Comforter* with "t-shirt order" on the memo line. Proceeds from the sales will go towards the planting of our anniversary tree.



NOTE: Today is the deadline for submitting balance payments for the *Isle of Palms* Retreat. See your April newsletter for details.

Holy Doodles





PRAYERS FOR OUR FAMILY OF HOLY COMFORTER

Cathleen Allen
Brenda Dabrowski
Shawn De Nicholas
Ardean Ewing
Ned Featherstone

Dot Holland
Zac Hullander
Chase Lineberger
Holly Peche
Sherry Perry

Marguerite Shive
Denise Taylor
Jack Tench
Mark Reese
Beverly Reynolds

GREATER FAMILY OF GOD

Father Frank Cancro
Karen de la Vegas
Carol Fox
Scott Frisk
Bill Hinkle

Glenda Hinkle
Brian Jackson & Family
Jennifer Lineberger
Capt. Basil Jeff Marett
Anne Murdy

Heather Plichta
Karen Wayt
Donnie Yavelak

OUR SERVICEMEN

Matt Cisek
Jason Gardner



Dillon Kasmer
Leo Kasmer

Tom Kasmer

Please remember these people in your prayers.

If anyone has a person who needs to be added or removed from this list, please inform the church office.

The sign-up prayer forms are located in the narthex and online at www.holyc.org



NOTE: Pastor Micah will be on vacation the week following Easter Sunday. While on vacation, Pastor David Drysdale of Holy Communion, Dallas will be *on call* in case of pastoral emergencies. If you need him, contact the office or council president, Will Howard.



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SUNDAY SCHEDULE: 9:30 am Sunday School, 10:30 am The Service

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Beka Forst, Director of Youth & Family Ministries

Dianne Lail, Communications/Office Manager