



Lutheran Church of the Holy Comforter

• 216 N. Main Street • Belmont, NC 28012 •

Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015

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Pastor

Greg Cline
Organist/Choirmaster

1. THE SERVICE OF LIGHT

The Blessing of New Fire
Proclamation
Prayer

Hymn: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, Alleluia!* All Stand & Sing



1	Christ the Lord is	ris'n to - day;	Al - le - lu - ia!
2	For the sheep the	Lamb has bled,	Al - le - lu - ia!
3	Christ, the vic - tim	un - de - filed,	Al - le - lu - ia!
4	Chris-tians, on this	ho - ly day,	Al - le - lu - ia!



Chris-tians, has - ten	on your way;	Al - le - lu - ia!
sin - less in the	sin - ner's stead.	Al - le - lu - ia!
God and sin - ners	rec - on - ciled,	Al - le - lu - ia!
all your grate - ful	hom - age pay;	Al - le - lu - ia!



of - fer praise with	love re - plete,	Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is	ris'n on high;	Al - le - lu - ia!
when con - tend - ing	death and life,	Al - le - lu - ia!
Christ the Lord is	ris'n on high;	Al - le - lu - ia!



at the pas - chal	vic - tim's feet.	Al - le - lu - ia!
now he lives, no	more to die.	Al - le - lu - ia!
met in strange and	awe - some strife.	Al - le - lu - ia!
now he lives, no	more to die.	Al - le - lu - ia!

Text: attr. Wipo of Burgundy, d. c. 1050; tr. Jane F. Leeson, 1807–1882, alt.
Music: LLANFAIR, Robert Williams, 1781–1821

Responsive Reading: Psalm 118:1-2, 15-24

- P: O Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
C: ***His steadfast love endures forever!***
P: Let Israel say,
C: ***His steadfast loves endures forever.***
P: There are glad songs of victory in the tents of the righteous:
C: ***The right hand of the Lord does valiantly;***
P: The right hand of the Lord is exalted;
C: ***the right hand of the Lord does valiantly.***
P: I shall not die, but I shall live,
C: ***and recount the deeds of the Lord.***
P: The Lord has punished me severely,
C: ***but he did not give me over to death***
P: Open to me the gates of righteousness,
C: ***that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.***
P: This is the gate of the Lord;
C: ***the righteous shall enter through it.***
P: I thank you that you have answered me
C: ***and have become my salvation.***
P: The stone that the builders rejected
C: ***has become the chief cornerstone.***
P: This is the Lord's doing;
C: ***it is marvelous in our eyes.***
P: This is the day that the Lord has made;
C: ***let us rejoice and be glad in it.***

Anthem: *O Morning Star* Handbell Choir

2. READINGS

The Lesson: Acts 10:34-43

Hymn: *That Easter Day* All Stand & Sing

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the
 2 O Je - sus, king of gen - tle - ness, with
 3 O Christ, you are the Lord of all in
 4 All praise, O ris - en Lord, we give to

sun shone out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing
 con - stant love our hearts pos - sess; to you our lips will
 this our Eas - ter fes - ti - val, for you will be our
 you, once dead, but now a - live! To God the Fa - ther

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord!
 ev - er raise the trib - ute of our grate - ful praise,
 strength and shield from ev - 'ry weap - on death can wield,
 c - qual praise, and God the Spir - it, now we raise!

Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818–1866, alt.
 Music: PUER NOBIS, European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571–1621

The Holy Gospel: **Mark 16:1-8**

Response: Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

Response: Praise to You, O Christ.

The congregation is seated.

Sunrise Sermon: Pastor Micah

3. OUR EASTER RESPONSE TO GOD'S WORD

The Offering

The Offertory Anthem & Response: *Heart and Voice to Heaven Raise . . .* Church Choir

Choir

- 1 Alleluia! Alleluia! Heart and voice to heaven raise:
sing to God a hymn of gladness, sing to God a hymn of praise.
He who on the cross a ransom for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of glory, now is risen from the dead.
- 2 Now the iron bars are broken, Christ from death to life is born,
glorious life, and life immortal, on this holy Easter morn.
Christ has triumphed, and we conquer by his mighty enterprise:
we with him to life eternal by his resurrection rise.
- 3 Christ is risen, Christ the first-fruits of the holy harvest field,
which will all its full abundance at his glorious advent yield;
then the golden ears of harvest will before his presence wave,
rising in his sunshine joyous from the furrow of the grave.
- 4 Christ is risen, we are risen! Shed upon us heav'nly grace,
rain and dew and gleams of glory from the brightness of thy face;
that we, with our hearts in heaven, here on earth may fruitful be,
and by angel hands be gathered, and be ever, Lord, with thee.

Choir and assembly

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry be - to -
God a - bove! Al - le - lu - ia to the Sav - ior,
fount of life and source of love, al - le - lu - ia
to the Spir - it let our high a - scrip - tions be!
Al - le - lu - ia, now and ev - er,
to the bless - ed Trin - i - ty! A - men.

Text: Christopher Wordsworth, 1807-1885

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Easter Prayer

Pastor: On this glorious Holy morning, let us praise and thank God for his goodness and peace.

People: **Glory be to you, O Lord God Almighty for you have overcome death, that the way to eternal life might be opened to all who will trust and believe in you.**

Pastor: Let us be joyful in the new hope which Jesus' resurrection gives to all believers!

People: **We rejoice that as Christ lives; so too, we may live!**

Pastor: O God, help us to put aside our sinful living. This Easter Day calls and challenges us to put aside our grudges, our jealousies, our hatreds... for they lead us to unhappiness, and loneliness, and strife.

People: **Forgive and cleanse us, O Lord!**

Pastor: Guide and strengthen us Father God, to put into our Easter lives the qualities of trust, faithfulness, love and mercy . . . for they can enrich our lives, and make us blessings to all we meet.

People: **Let us take the joy of the Resurrection into all we do.**

Pastor: Send us forth to live and proclaim your victory, O God!

People: **Praise be to Christ who is risen!**

Pastor: Yes, He is Risen!

ALL: **AMEN!**

The Holy Communion

DIALOGUE

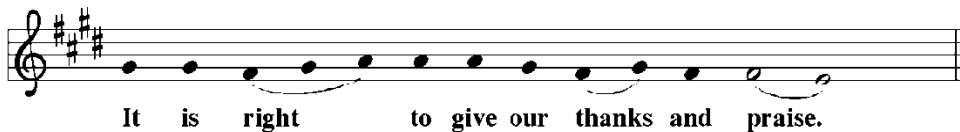
Pastor *Congregation*

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

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

Pastor Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

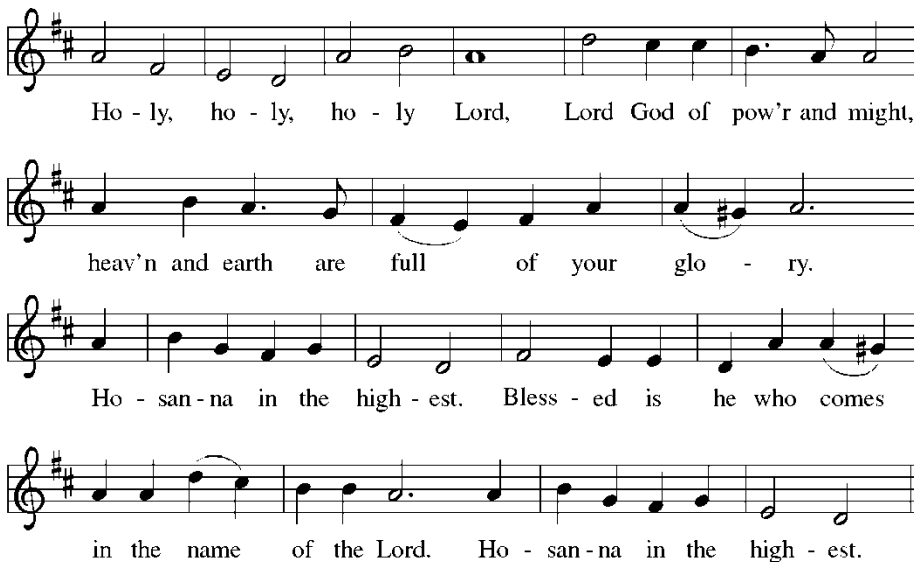
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PREFACE

P ...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Thanksgiving at the Table

The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Communion:

P Christ invites you to a place of honor at this banquet. Welcome to the feast.

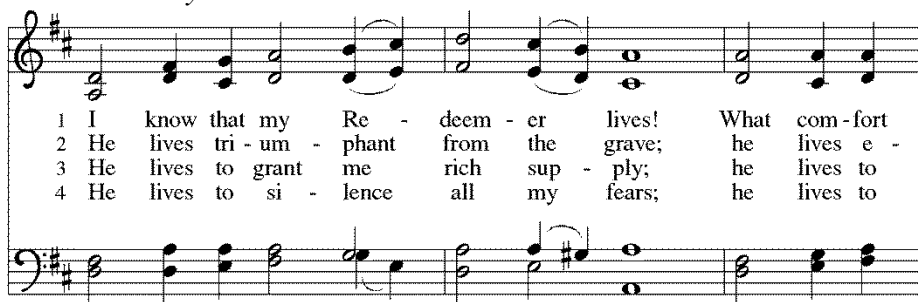
C Thanks be to God.

Communion

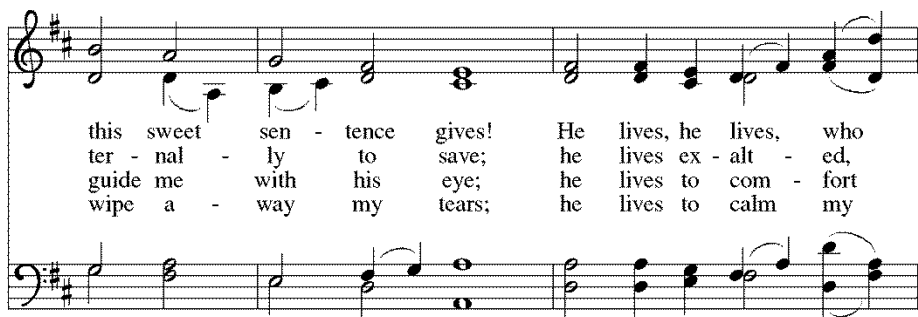
Music During Communion: *The Perfect Wisdom* Chamber Choir

The Benediction

Hymn: *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* All Stand & Sing



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives! What com - fort
 2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; he lives e -
 3 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; he lives to
 4 He lives to si - lence all my fears; he lives to



this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, he lives, who
 ter - nal - ly to save; he lives ex - alt - ed,
 guide me with his eye; he lives to com - fort
 wipe a - way my tears; he lives to calm my



once was dead; he lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head!
 throned a - bove; he lives to rule his church in love.
 me when faint; he lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.
 trou - bled heart; he lives all bless - ings to im - part.

5. He lives, all glory to his name!
 He lives, my Savior, still the same;
 What joy this blest assurance gives;
 I know that my Redeemer lives!

Text: Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, alt.
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

P Go in Peace, proclaim the risen Lord.
C Thanks be to God.

Thanks to all of our church musicians who are assisting with the service this morning.
Special thanks also to Steve Bingham, Anthem Conductor.

EASTER SUNDAY MORNING ACTIVITIES' schedule:

Handbell Choir Practice After the Sunrise Service
Breakfast after the service - Everyone Invited!
No Children's Sunday School

Musical Rehearsal Schedule for This Morning:

10:05 am Chamber Choir in choir room
10:10 am Church Choir in choir room

10:30 am The Service of Resurrection
With Holy Communion & Flowering of the Cross





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

Amy Alvarez in memory of Robert Williams
Greg Byrum in honor of Mrs. Olin S. (Libby) Byrum
Greg Byrum in memory of Mr. Olin S. Byrum
Tommy Causby in honor of Shirley Causby
Tommy & Shirley Causby in honor of Greg Cline and in memory of Amy Peters
Tommy & Shirley Causby and Greg Cline in honor of Margaret Sparks
Greg Cline in honor of Tom & Shirley Causby
Greg Cline in honor of Faye & Warren Heller
Dr. Raul & Jo Anne de la Vega in memory of Dr. & Mrs. William Kannapel
Dr. Raul & Jo Anne de la Vega in memory of Dr. & Mrs. Raul E. de la Vega
Carmen, Arden & Merritt De Nicholas in honor of Grandma Dianne Lail
Jody Flowers in memory of Patricia Holliday and Jennifer H. Flowers
Jody Flowers in memory of Hubert Flowers
Kathy Graves in memory of Bill Graves
Richard & Kay Holden in honor of Marsha Kinley
Ian & Arianna Ince in memory of Theron Elise Nance
Shelia & Tim Kelly in honor of their precious children
Marsha Kinley to the Glory of God
Dianne Lail in memory of father, Odie Lail
Lynn Martin in honor of Jack & Sylvia Miller
Lynn Martin in memory of Adam Kyewski
Charles & Bev Mauney in honor of our children & grandchildren
Charles & Bev Mauney in memory of Heather M. Yount, Mary McCoy and
Ray & Betsy Mauney
Paul & Tracey Nault in honor of Caroline, Aaron & Ashton (2 lilies)
Paul Outlaw in honor of Rebecca & Mark Yount and Luke & Alec Via
Paul Outlaw in honor of Ned & Becke Featherstone
Paul Outlaw in honor of Ann Featherstone
Gary & Karen Rogers in memory of Harry & Helen Laver
Harold & Jo Singleton in loving memory of their parents
Lynne Sudarich in memory of parents Len & Marie Sudarich
Bob & Denise Wiegand in honor of our Family; to the Glory of God for our Church Family
Deb Williams in honor of her Family

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



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

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