

Welcome to worship at New Hanover Lutheran Church

Easter Sunday
April 17, 2022



Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women go to the tomb with spices to tend to Jesus' body. When they find the tomb empty and are stunned by the presence and words of the men in dazzling clothing, they remember. They remember what Jesus had said, which compels them to go out and tell the story. Even in utter shock, they return to their deepest knowing and allow themselves to receive the expansiveness of resurrection. Their imaginations and hearts expand, and they must take action in response. Many of the disciples won't open themselves to this expansiveness and reject it. Peter is curious enough to return to the tomb, and as a result, he is filled with amazement and awe. How do we carry forth what we have learned this Lent? Can we be curious enough to return and remember? Can we allow ourselves to be filled with expansive hope? Can we trust in the expansive promise of new life, and carry that promise with us wherever we go?

The Rev. Scott Staub, pastor
Patricia Nyce, director of music ministry

We love our neighbors with healing and feeding them!

**All worship can be viewed online at
newhanoverlutheran.org,
facebook.com/NewHanoverLutheranChurch
and on YouTube.**

**May your worship experience strengthen you
with God's love and grace.**

Welcome

Prelude *Open the Eyes of My Heart Lord*
John and Diana Hazel

Open the eyes of my heart Lord
Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You
I want to see You
To see You high and lifted up
Shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love
As we sing holy holy holy

Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
Holy holy holy
I want to see You

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Call to Worship

This day is not like any other day.

Today we slow down.

Today we take it all in. Today we rest in good news.

This day is not like any other day.

Today we are singing.

Today we are full to the brim. Today joy cannot be contained.

This day is not like any other day.

Today the stone was rolled away. Today the women saw the empty grave. Today we know—death does not win.

This day is not like any other day.

Alleluia! Amen.

Call to Confession

Family of faith,

it is our tradition to have a prayer of confession each week—not to harp on ourselves or to drum up guilt, but because we believe God is not done with us yet.

So please join me in the prayer of confession, because God is always listening and God's grace is always full to the brim.

Prayer of Confession and Forgiveness

God of new life, we are a mixed bag. We want to be full to the brim with hope and joy, but often we overflow with comparison and doubt. We want to embody the resurrection, but often we'd rather stay the same than to begin again. We want to have the courage to be like the women on that Easter morning— to run and speak truth, but often we are weary of courage and uncertain of our own voices. Forgive us for all the ways we remain unchanged. Break into our hearts. Overflow here. With hope we pray, amen.

Family of faith,

if there is life after death, then you can be certain—there is life after mess. There is life after mistakes. There is life after doubt. There is new life freely given, and that life is for you. You are forgiven, loved, and claimed. May we live full to the brim in response.

Thanks be to God, and let it be so. Alleluia! Amen.

Canticle

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb



who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow-er, rich - es, wis-dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre-a - tion: Bless-ing, hon-or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A - men.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was

slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

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

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

Prayer of the Day

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.

Gathering Hymn *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today*

ELW #365

Children's Sunday School Choir Anthem (*10:00 Worship*)
Roll the Stone Away

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Children's Message

Pastor Scott (8:00)

Lindsey Waltermeyer (10:00)

First Reading *New Life Is Right Here*

Maybe today we can take a moment. Maybe today we can silence the inner critic. Maybe today we can leave perfection at the door. Maybe today we can allow ourselves to be here.

Maybe that's all that matters. Maybe this sunrise is for us. Maybe these Hallelujahs are for us. Maybe the hope blooming in my chest is for us.

Maybe the resurrection was not just about God’s body, but is about our body. Maybe this new life reaches all the way to the edges. Maybe we are free to live in a new way where love is the currency and we are enough.

Maybe that’s what this is all about—not a relentless pursuit of more but God’s relentless pursuit of me.

New life is right here. Like the women—say it out loud. Like Peter—run that way.

Gospel Anthem *An Easter Carol* Chancel Choir

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Gospel Reading Luke 24:1-12

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹On the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Message

Song of the Day

Blessed Be Your Name

John and Diana Hazel

Blessed be Your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where Your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be Your name

Pre-Chorus

Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in Lord
Still I will say

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be Your glorious name

Blessed be Your name
When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be Your name

Bridge

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be Your name

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Affirmation of Faith

We believe in a God who can astound us —

**a God who created the mountains of Colorado,
the stars on a summer night, and the green of Ireland.**

We believe in Jesus, whose example changes us —

**an example of love for those on the fringes, healing for the sick,
and welcome for the lonely.**

We believe that Jesus was abandoned by his friends,
wounded, mocked, and killed by the state.

**And in a garden, three days later, we believe that life began
again — the stone was rolled back, as death lost its sting.**

Ever since that day, we believe the Spirit has been inviting us into
an expansive life —

**a life not measured by wealth or accolades, but a life full to the
brim with joy, overflowing with laughter, saturated in hope,
and decorated with good news.**

Death has lost its sting.

We believe, and are set free. Thanks be to God, amen.

Invitation to the Table – Commentary to Read

Scripture tells us that on that Easter morning, the women went to the tomb and found it empty. They returned to the disciples and told them what they had heard and seen, but Peter was the only disciple to believe them. The text says, “Peter got up and ran to the tomb.”

I love this detail.

I can picture it; can't you? Peter running to that garden. Peter praying, with every step, *let it be true, let it be true*. Peter out of breath, desperately hoping he'll see Jesus again around every corner.

Friends, sometimes that's how I come to this Table—praying with every step, running to get here, desperate to feel something holy, praying I'll see Jesus around every corner. Other times, my spirit is still and I find myself slowly and calmly returning to this Table.

No matter how you feel today—whether you're running to get here, whether you are desperate and hungry for a spiritual

experience, or whether you are unsure and moving slowly—know that there is room for you here.

This Table is an expansive Table. There is food for everyone. There is a seat for everyone. There is love for everyone. There is no scarcity here, because this is God’s Table, so all are welcome.

It’s good enough news you might even want to run.

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of the garden,

God of new life,

God of the here and now,

where do we begin?

Our hearts are full to the brim with gratitude, hope, fear, doubt, dreams, and belief. As a result, our prayers can often feel chaotic at best, bouncing around to each name and need that comes to mind.

Settle us.

Excavate us.

Summon out what we shall be.

Lift our prayers from the rubble of our distracted minds and hold us close.

God, there are some things we would like to let go of, things we’d like to bury, things that we do not want to bring with us into this new day.

In particular, we’d like to let go of our stress and fatigue.

We’d like to let go of our own self-criticism and low self-esteem.

We’d like to let go of the fear to put ourselves out there, and the worry that we might not have enough or be enough.

These things are always easier said than done, God, which is why we need you.

At the same time, there are things we’d like to hold close—things that draw us closer to that expansive life you dream for us, things we are running toward.

**In particular, we want to move closer
to balance and to meaningful friendships,
to health of mind, body, and spirit,
to justice that sets our hearts on fire,
and to your Word—lived out in our daily lives.**

Help us.

Guide the way.

Meet us in the garden.

Roll back the stones that stop us. Give us the energy to run toward you. Gather us up into your expansive love.

Until the promised day when swords are beaten into plowshares, and the prayers of the people are only prayers of joy, we ask that you pour out your Spirit on this bread and cup so that we might catch a glimpse of you here at this Table. Gather us up into your expansive love.

Until that promised day, we will continue to pray.

Together we pray:

**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.**

Words of Institution

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.

Today we celebrate Holy Communion. This is the Lord's Table, open to everyone.

The body of Christ, given for you. Take and eat.
(The response is "Amen", then eat the bread).

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Take and drink.
(The response is, "Amen", then drink the cup).

Prayer after Communion

We give you thanks, generous God, for in this bread and cup we have tasted the new heaven and earth where hunger and thirst are no more. Send us from this table as witnesses to the resurrection, that through our lives, all may know life in Jesus' name. **Amen.**

Announcements

Please rise as you able.

Blessing

God, the Author of life, Christ, the living Cornerstone, and the life-giving Spirit of adoption, † bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn *Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!* ELW #382

Please be seated.

Postlude

Rondeau Jean-Joseph Mouret
Tom McHugh and Brian Schaeffer, Trumpet
Vivian Specca, Timpani

Dismissal

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Christ is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Go in peace. Tell what God has done.

Thanks be to God.

Go Get'em!

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Announcements

Sound and video assistants needed for worship broadcast and live stream video. Training will be provided. For more information or to sign up, contact Pastor Scott at pastor@newhanoverlutheran.org or (610) 326-1335 ext. 1.

Sponsors are needed. Suggested donation for the bulletin is \$20 and flowers is \$35. Or, sponsor the *Word in Season* for \$35 a month. Contact Church Office Manager Susan Gutshall at (610) 326-1335 for available dates and to sign up.

Today

The bulletin and flowers are presented to the glory of God and in memory of loved ones by Tim and Vicki Mutter.

The communion is sponsored to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Herbert D. Burkhart, by Janet Burkhart.

The *Word in Season* daily devotion books April - June are available in the welcome center and the information box located outside by the Sunday school doors. The books are sponsored to the glory of God and in memory of Dottie Eisenhart and Karen Trout by Gerald Eisenhart.

Serving Today 8:00 Head Usher: Marty Hauser; Ushers: Bill Allen and Rick Hausch

10:00 Head Usher: Steve Weidner; Ushers: Rick Solazzo and Vicki Mutter; Children's Sermon: Lindsey Waltermeyer

Next Sunday Head Usher: Barbara Repa; Children's Sermon: Donna Kehs

Thank you to this year's Easter lily sponsors and to the Altar Guild and their helpers who decorated the sanctuary for today.

Rejoicing Spirits will be held this afternoon. Fellowship begins at 2:30 followed by the worship service at 3:00. This service is for everyone and includes lots of music and joyous singing, a brief meaningful message, fellowship opportunities and light refreshments. Rejoicing Spirits is a ministry to enrich the spiritual lives of individuals with developmental disabilities along with their families, friends and supportive community. Come and check it out.

Calendar

Worship Service – Today, 8:00 and 10:00 AM in the sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Today, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Today, 10:00 AM, Sunday School door

Rejoicing Spirits – Today, 2:30 PM, room 1 and sanctuary

AARP – Monday, 11:00 AM – 2:30 PM, room 1

Prayer Ministry – Monday, 1:15 PM, sanctuary

Peer Support – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 32

Cub Scouts – Monday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1

Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 1

Food Drop Off – Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00 PM, kitchen

Food Delivery Pickup – Wednesday, 2 PM, Sunday School door

12 Step – Wednesday, 6:00 – 7:00 PM, room 32

Choir Rehearsal – Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:15 PM, room 15

Cub Scout Committee – Wednesday, 7:00 PM, room 1

Thursday at Ten – Thursday, 10:00 – 11:30 AM, room 33

Bell Choir Rehearsal – Thursday, 6:30 – 8:00 PM, room 15

Council – Thursday, 7:00 PM, room 33

Synod Day of Service – Saturday, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM, room 1

Worship Service – Next Sunday, 9:00 AM in the sanctuary and online

Food Drop Off – Next Sunday, 9:00 – 10:00 AM, kitchen

Sunday School – Next Sunday, 10:15 – 11:15 AM, room 1

Food Delivery Pickup – Next Sunday, 10:00 AM, Sunday School Wing door

Upcoming Events

The Flutter Youth group (anyone in grades 6-12 is welcome!) will be heading to the Althouse Arboretum on Sunday, April 24th, from 12:30 - 2:00 for a low-ropes course team-building experience. The cost is \$15/person. We will eat after Sunday School (bring a packed

lunch) and then drive over together. Please wear sneakers and bring a reusable water bottle. See Jen Boyer or Lindsey Waltermeyer if you are interested in attending this event.

Spring Paint Day Sunday, May 1st, from 2 - 4 PM Participants will paint a spring/summer themed painting. You can see the event on the NHELCC Facebook page or contact Nikki Young for more details. Signup is required. Go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0f4eafac2caaf4c16-paint1>. The cost is \$40 per person and part of the funds will go to our Mission Services Team and the Harvesting Hope Fair. Art skills are NOT required. Amy from Amy's Art Shack will lead us through the painting step by step. Feel free to bring a snack to share and your beverage of choice. Hope to see you there! Any questions or need to sign-up in person – contact Nikki Young.

Prayer Warriors Wanted Pray, pray, and pray some more! You are invited to come pray with us! Yes, we have a prayer chain, but we have a new prayer ministry. All are welcome to gather together each Monday at 1:15 PM in the sanctuary to pray. Participants join in a brief devotion and then pray together. We give thanks and then lift up in prayers our neighbors both near and far. As Jesus told us, *“Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”* See Donna Kehs or Marsha Staub if you have any questions.

Monumental Celebrating GOD's Greatness is this year's VBS theme. VBS 2022 will be June 20th – 24th, 9:00 AM - noon. Since daytime VBS can be difficult for people who work, **we are offering an extended VBS for 20 kids to stay and play in the afternoon**, if parents are unable to pick up at noon. But this means we need a lot of volunteers for this year. Also, folks are needed to help plan for VBS and to help decorate. Jobs are available for ALL ages and abilities. We need key area volunteers and group leaders (shepherds) for during the morning. In the afternoon we need some folks that will have fun with the kids, helping with an afternoon craft or snack. Do you have a special talent that you want to share? Let us know! Can you hang out with some kids for an afternoon? Let us know. If VBS is something you want to hear more about, contact Nikki ASAP in the church office or at nikki.young@newhanoverlutheran.org. By the way – youth helpers are very welcome!

VBS Donations We are looking for new or used Legos that you no longer want (since Legos would be hard to keep separate and return) for the kids at the afternoon VBS. We are looking for more generic Lego bricks to free play and NOT the Lego sets. Also needed are new or gently used (with all pieces/cards) board or card games that are appropriate for kids. If you are interested in providing any games, contact Nikki Young to be sure we don't end up with multiple copies of the same game OR she can also send you an Amazon wish list if that is easier for you. We are not worried about duplicating Legos. Thank you for supporting VBS 2022!

Food Ministry

More than 70,000 meals have been delivered! NHEL C's Loaves & Fishes Food Ministry is changing lives. And, you can be a part of the team. 1) You can donate food. Drop off your donation on Wednesdays between 1 – 2 PM and Sundays between 9 – 10 AM. Items most needed include: hamburger, chicken (thighs and breast meat), pasta (ziti, elbows, bowties), cheese (mozzarella, cheddar, parmesan), potatoes, fresh fruit (apples, oranges, bananas) and eggs. 2) Donate money through Thrivent Gift Cards, place monetary donation in the offering plate or mail to the church. 3) Deliver meals. Sign up at <https://www.newhanoverlutheran.org/loaves-fishes-food-ministry/>.

We need help! NHEL C Loaves & Fishes is feeding the homeless and those in need every month on the second Tuesday. If you can put a piece of food onto a plate, or serve a plate, or greet someone, or help sing a hymn or two, we could use your help. Meals are served at 5:30 PM at Emmanuel Lutheran Church located in Pottstown. You can sign up to help at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f48adaf28a5f58-nhelc>.

Spiritual Renewal

Do you know someone who could use a **prayer shawl** to help bring comfort, healing and good thoughts? If so, contact Deacon Carol or Pastor Scott and they'll see that one is made available. And we are always looking for more knitters!

Faith Formation

“Thursdays At Ten” Feeling a little worn-out, anxious, stressed with all that is impacting your daily life? Just need to take a break and rest

from all of it? Then join us for “**And I Will Give You Rest**” where we will take time for ourselves, to be present to the Spirit, and learn how to relax through mindfulness exercises, meditation and other creative ways to just “be still.” And to better hear God’s voice amidst the noise of the world. You’ll find us in room 33 from 10-11:30 AM on Thursdays. Questions? Just contact Deacon Carol!

Need a prayer lifted up? The **NHEL C Prayer Chain Ministry** is here for you. If you need a prayer, know someone else who could use one, or just want someone to pray about peace and healing for our communities, nation and world, we will lift those prayers up! All information will be kept confidential. To request a prayer, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or call the church office (610-326-1335), leave her a voice mail and she will pass it on to the prayer group. Also, you can contact Deacon Carol to update circumstances or have a name removed from the Prayer Chain. Your prayers will be “delivered”! If you feel it’s time to take a person off the prayer chain, contact Deacon Carol at carol.detweiler@newhanoverlutheran.org or leave a message at the church office and we’ll update our list. But if the person still needs prayers, we’ll gladly continue praying.

Full to the Brim - An Expansive Lent

Full to the Brim doesn’t ignore or deny sin and suffering. It doesn’t absolve accountability for wrongdoing. Instead it contextualizes our faith. If love is our beginning, how can we live our lives led by love’s promises? It reminds us to live fully—as we pursue justice and hope, or express grief and gratitude. And so, this Lent, let us trust—fully—that we belong to God. Let us increase our capacity to receive and give grace. Let us discover the expansive life God dreams for us. Come join us for a truly expansive experience as we dig deeper into our faith and dream.

“Now to the God who can do so many *awe-inspiring things*, *immeasurable things*, things greater than we ever could ask or imagine through the power at work in us.... --” Eph 3:20

Seniors News

“**Seniors Serving Others**” A Seniors Ministry program where seniors become “God’s Hands” There are a couple of service projects coming up for which we can use some help, including finishing up sun catchers to be hung in skilled care units of nursing homes and

making new Chrismons for our Christmas trees. There are other projects being lined up as well. Details will be out soon! Keep an eye on our bulletin announcements for updates on this and other Seniors ministries.

Cemetery News

Do you like to mow grass? The cemetery committee is accepting applications for two mowers/cemetery caretakers for the 2022 mowing season. Applicants must be at least 16 years old (or 14 or 15 with working papers) and able to operate a riding tractor and gas trimmer. To apply or for more information, contact Bill Bauer at (610) 367-9869 or Norm Hunsberger at (484) 431-3622.

Thank You

Boyertown Area Multi-Service received 79 pounds of food and other items donated through the March collection at New Hanover Lutheran Church. Thank you for your support in this ministry of helping our neighbors.

Remember in your prayers

Requests

Toni Rath, Katy Mahon-Miller, Matt Hall, Luann Hanley, Scot Smale, Carol Estes, William Trotter, Kathy Kane, Phil Underkoffler, Maxwell Girard, Pat Fryer, Carol Buchholtz Yost, Enoc Zapien, Jean Renninger, Barbara Morris, Kathy Campos, Pr. Susan Lynch, Richard Norris, Pr. Kork Moyer, Betty Lou Shadle, Julia Hauck, Tony Mancini, Raul Castro, Amy LeVan, Jeffrey Kunsch, Mary Ellen Jonczyk, Hannah Phillips, Braydon Kline, Edwin Sugita, Wilma Lahr, Robert Tadley, Jim Price, Melissa, Bernadette Phillips, Mary Lou, Doug Weaver, Joan Wagner, Jaden Mahlbauer, Robert Ganovsky, Mary Alice Mack, Dorothy Bingaman, Emily Ocelus, Gates family, Eric and Wendy Hess, Sue Care, Josh Young, Herman Richard, Deb Matthews, Marceline, Brendan Avvento, Anne Eshleman, Daniel Johnson, Gwen Grant, Chris Fatzinger, Hank Droneberg, Pena family, Kim Frain, Ken Jacob, Jen Perez, Frank D., Pam Helfrich, Barb and Tom Faust, Andy Van Dyke, Janet, Tom Swanson, Tricia Hoak family, Marilyn Varnum, Jerry Dotterer, Feryl Stein, Laurie Scoggins, Pam Abbott, Holli Muffler, Louise Karns

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Easter Lily Sponsors

The lilies on the cross are presented to the glory of God and in honor of the congregation of New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church by Carol Estes.

In memory of her husband, William Bowman, by Sarah Bowman

In memory of Jackie Boyer by the family

In memory of Jean Boyer by the family

In memory of her husband, Herbert D. Burkhart, by Janet Burkhart

In memory of Charles and Helen Eisenhart by their children

In memory of her husband, Felix Campos, by Kathy Campos

In memory of Roy Fleming, Lloyd and Marianne Anstey, and Otis and Alma Fleming by Carolyn Fleming

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In memory of Larry H. Hart by Patricia A. Hart

In memory of Paul Howells by his wife, Carol, and family

In memory of Dirk Gellrich by Robert and Elfriede Ilik

In memory of their beloved grandparents by Mike and Natalie Lindenmuth

In memory of Barbara Johnson by Daniel E. Johnson and the Johnson family

In memory of her husband, Frederick Johnson, by Jane Johnson

In memory of her husband, Jerry, parents John and Mary Fry, and all deceased family and friends by Betty J. Karver

In honor of their children and in memory of Lawrence and Nancy Moser by Charles and Donna Kehs

In memory of Sue's brother, Walter Hatch, and friend, Bud Popken, by Bill and Sue Lowry

In memory of his parents, Bill and Kitty Lowry, by Bill Lowry

In memory of her parents, Walter and Olga Hatch, by Sue Lowry

In memory of their parents and in honor of their children and grandchildren by Tom and Jayne McHugh

In memory of Philip and Myrtle Bechtel and Ken, Helen and Mark Noecker by Lincoln and Barbara Noecker

In memory of John and Alice Rhoads and Charles and Lois Rhoads by David and Lori Rhoads and Jim and Mary Alice Mack

In memory of Poppy and Grammy Rhoads by great-grandchildren Isaiah, Emma, and Faith Broyan

In loving memory of Beatrice Smale by her grandchildren

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In honor of Verdie Smith by her children and families

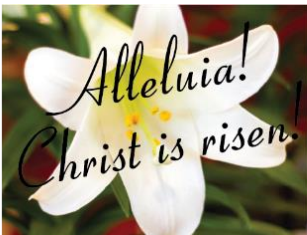
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Happy Easter
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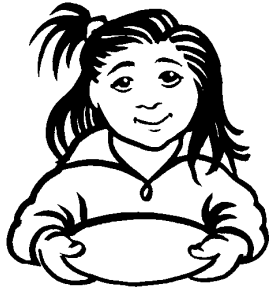
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Fifty days of Easter

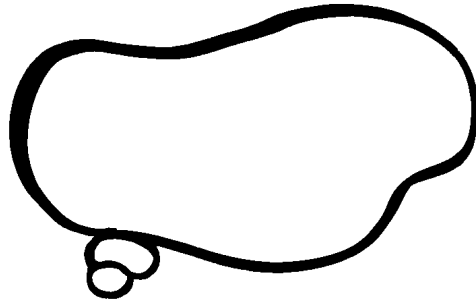
Did you know that the church season of Easter lasts 50 days? Here are three ways you can celebrate. Finish each picture.



Go on an egg hunt.
Hide eggs in the picture.



Bring treats to your neighbors.
Draw treats on the empty plate.



Say "Alleluia! Christ is risen!" each morning when you wake up.

Write these Easter words in the balloon.



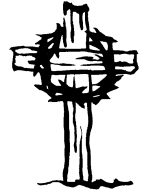
Jump for joy! Shout, "Hooray!" Jesus Christ is risen today! Amen

this week

Notice times when you "see Jesus" in your everyday experiences.

Kids Celebrate

Resurrection of Our Lord/Easter Day



gather

Welcome to worship. Today is Easter! For Christians, Easter is the most joyful celebration of the year. This is the day Jesus rose from death to a new life. What changes do you see in your worship space? What color is the cloth on God's table (the altar)? What kinds of flowers do you see? During the 40 days of Lent we didn't sing or say "Alleluia." Today, listen for all of the times you say or sing "Alleluia!"



Jesus Christ is risen!

John 20:1-18

Early in the morning, Mary Magdalene came to Jesus' tomb. She saw that the big stone was rolled away from the door. Jesus' body was gone!

Mary cried as she looked in the tomb. She saw two angels dressed in white. They said to her, "Why are you weeping?"

Mary said, "Jesus is gone." Then Mary turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not know it was Jesus.

Jesus said, "Mary!" When Mary heard her name, she recognized

Jesus. Jesus told Mary the good news—he had risen from the dead!

Mary ran to the disciples. She said, "I have seen the Lord!"



Easter eggs

Our celebration of Easter is filled with eggs. Jelly beans look like tiny, colorful eggs. We eat chocolate eggs and chew bubblegum eggs. We turn ordinary eggs into beautiful pieces of art. Eggs are a powerful symbol of Easter. The eggshell is like Jesus' tomb. It carries new life inside of it. When the chick hatches out of the egg, it reminds us of Jesus' new life at Easter.



Can you help these children find 10 eggs?



When you hear someone say, "Christ is risen!" respond this way: "Christ is risen indeed!" Practice with a family member or a friend.

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today



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!

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Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!



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

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