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Second Sunday of Easter

8:00 a.m. Worship Service w/Holy Communion

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The Easter season is a week of weeks, seven Sundays when we play in the mystery of Christ's presence, mostly through the glorious Gospel of John. Today we gather with the disciples on the first Easter, and Jesus breathes the Spirit on us. With Thomas we ask for a sign, and Jesus offers us his wounded self in the broken bread. From frightened individuals we are transformed into a community of open doors, peace, forgiveness, and material sharing such that no one among us is in need.

Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag*

- Johann Gottfried Walther

All who are able are invited to stand

Thanksgiving for Baptism

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, the wellspring of grace, our Easter and our joy.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

Immersed in the promises of baptism, let us give thanks for what God has done for us. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your voice thundered over the deep and water became the essence of life. Adam and Eve beheld Eden's verdant rivers. The ark carried your creation through the flood into a new day. Miriam led the dancing as your people passed through the sea into freedom's land. In a desert pool the Ethiopian official entered your boundless baptismal life.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

At the river your beloved Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you opened the floodgates of your reconciling love, freeing us to live as Easter people. We rejoice with glad hearts, giving all honor and praise to you, through the risen Christ, our source of living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

Look, here is water!

Here is our water of life! Alleluia!

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ARTHUR S. SULLIVAN, 1842-1900

With movement

FIRST TUNE

1. Come, ye faith-ful, raise the strain Of tri-um-phant glad-ness;
 2. Now the queen of sea-sons, bright With the day of splen-dor,

God hath brought his Is-ra-el In-to joy from sad-ness;
 With the roy-al feast of feasts, Comes its joy to ren-der;

'Tis the spring of souls to-day: Christ hath burst his pris-on,
 Comes to glad-den Chris-tian men, Who with true af-fec-tion

And from three days' sleep in death, As a sun hath ris-en.
 Wel-come in un-wea-ried strains Je-sus' res-ur-rec-tion.

3 All the winter of our sins,
 Long and dark, is flying
 From his light, to whom we give
 Laud and praise undying.
 Neither might the gates of death,
 Nor the tomb's dark portal,
 Nor the watchers, nor the seal,
 Hold thee as a mortal;

4 But today amidst the Twelve
 Thou didst stand, bestowing
 That thy peace, which evermore
 Passeth human knowing.
 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain
 Of triumphant gladness;
 God hath brought his Israel
 Into joy from sadness.

*St. John of Damascus, VIII cent.
 Tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66 a.*

Greeting

Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

Christ is Risen indeed!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

Assistant: In peace, in peace,

Assistant: Congregation:
Let us pray to the Lord, have mer - cy,
Christ, have mer - cy, Lord, have
mer - cy.

Assistant: For the Reign of God, and for peace throughout the world, for the unity of all... (Refrain)

Assistant: For your people here, who have come to give you praise, for the strength to live your Word... (Refrain)

Assistant: Congregation:
Help, save and de - fend us, O God.
A - - - men.

Now the Feast

Refrain

Congregation:

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion,
all of cre - a - tion sings for joy
to the God of life and love and
free-dom: praise and glo - ry for ev -
er - more!

Verse 1

Congregation or Congregation 1:

1. Now is the feast of the Lamb once
slain, whose blood has freed and u -
nit - ed us to be one great peo - ple of
God.

to Refrain

Verse 2

Congregation or Congregation 2:

2. Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and
might, all hon - or and glo - ry to Christ
for ev - er. *to Refrain*

Verse 3

Congregation:

3. For God has come to dwell with us, to
make us peo - ple of God; to make
all things new. *to Refrain*

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Salutation

Presider: *Congregation:*

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

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Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, with joy we celebrate the day of our Lord's resurrection. By the grace of Christ among us, enable us to show the power of the resurrection in all that we say and do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.
All may be seated*

First Reading: Acts 4:32-35

While the apostles testified to others about the resurrection of Jesus, the early Christian community shared what they owned or sold their possessions to help their fellow believers who were in need.

³²Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. ³³With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. ³⁴There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. ³⁵They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.
The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 133 (read responsively – congregation reads bold)

How good and pleasant it is to live together in unity. (Ps. 133:1)

¹How good and how pleasant it is,
when kindred live together in unity!

²**It is like fine oil upon the head, flowing down upon the beard,
upon the beard of Aaron, flowing down upon the collar of his robe.**

³It is like the dew of Hermon flowing down upon the hills of Zion.
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing: life forevermore.

Second Reading: 1 John 1:1--2:2

The opening of this letter serves as a reality check. The reality of God is light, but our confessed reality has been sin. God cleanses us from our sinful reality through Christ's death so that we live in fellowship with Christ and walk in God's light.

¹We declare to you what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked at and touched with our hands, concerning the word of life—²this life was revealed, and we have seen it and testify to it, and declare to you the eternal life that was with the Father and was revealed to us—³we declare to you what we have seen and heard so that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship

is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ. ⁴We are writing these things so that our joy may be complete.

⁵This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light and in him there is no darkness at all. ⁶If we say that we have fellowship with him while we are walking in darkness, we lie and do not do what is true; ⁷but if we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. ⁸If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. ⁹If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

^{2:1}My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; ²and he is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world. *The word of the Lord.*

Thanks be to God.

All who are able are invited to stand

The Gospel Verse

Congregation:

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

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 20th chapter

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19-31

The story of Easter continues as the risen Jesus appears to his disciples. His words to Thomas offer a blessing to all who entrust themselves in faith to the risen Lord.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²²When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Praise to you, O Christ.

All may be seated

Children's Message

Sermon

Time of Silent Reflection *(remain seated)*

All who are able are invited to stand

Hymn

The Risen Christ



1 The ris - en Christ, who walks on wound-ed feet
2 The ris - en Christ, who stands with wound-ed side,
3 The ris - en Christ, who breaks with wound-ed hand
4 May we, Christ's bod - y, walk and serve and stand



from gar - den tomb through dark - ened cit - y street,
breathes out his Spir - it on them to a - bide
the bread for those who fail to un - der - stand,
with those op - pressed in this and ev - 'ry land,



un - locks the door of grief, de - spair, and fear,
whose faith still wa - vers, who dare not be - lieve;
re - veals him - self, de - spite their lin - g'ring tears,
till all are blessed and can a bless - ing be,



and speaks a word of peace to all who hear.
new grace, new strength, new pur - pose they re - ceive.
en - flames their hearts, then quick - ly dis - ap - pears.
re - stored in Christ to true hu - man - i - ty.

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Nicene Creed

The Creed is professed by all in unison:

We believe in one God,

**the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,**

eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

A brief silence.

Your church cries out, O God, and you listen. As you drew near to the disciples, draw near to us this day. Breathe on us your Holy Spirit, that our faith is renewed and we witness to your love. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your creation cries out, O God, and you listen. Nurture trees, crops, wildflowers, and all growing things. Guide farmers, gardeners, arborists, and others who tend the soil and nurture plants into life. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your world cries out, O God, and you listen. Guide police, firefighters, paramedics, and other first responders to work for the well-being of communities and the dignity of every person, that no one may need to live in fear. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your congregations cry out, O God, and you listen. Renew pastors, deacons, musicians, and other staff, administrators, and volunteers who facilitated Holy Week and Easter worship. Open our hearts to discern where God calls each of us to serve. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Your children cry out, O God, and you listen. Hear your people crying out for justice, for an end to racism and other oppression, and for a world where all are fed and safe. We pray for all who cry out in suffering or pain *especially Helen, Susan, Gladys, Dean, Lester, Nat, Lisa, Kim, Bethany, Jon, Rumpun, Donna, Kathy, Carolyn, Robin, Hope, Jenan, Roger, Kris, Roger, Connie, Remy, Ed, Sally, Anne, Judy, Alice & Hank.* God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *especially William, Kurt, Michele, Shirley, Gilbert, Emily, Carol, Patricia, Jessica, Laura, Dawn, Melanie.* God of grace,

hear our prayer.

For those celebrating anniversaries this week, *especially Chell & Barry, Alan & Patricia, Kevin & Judy, Dan & Donna.* May they be bound together by your love, now and forever. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ in neighboring congregations. May your light shine brightly for all, sharing in your love and your peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray especially for Jordan, Orefield, and our pastor, Dody Siegfried. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

Accept our gratitude, O God, for the lives of those who now rest in you. Grant us your peace amid our fears. God of grace,

hear our prayer.

Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.

Amen.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

THE MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

All may be seated

Offertory: (8:00) *Yes, I Know My Savior Lives*

- Lani Smith

(10:30) *O Sons and Daughters of the King*

- Paul Sjolund

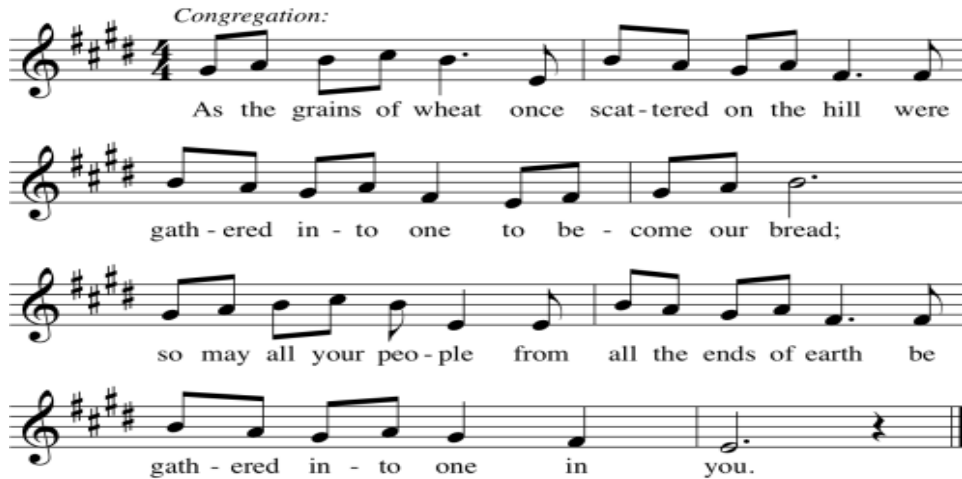
-The Jordan Chorale

(8:00) Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.

After the offering is gathered, all who are able are invited to stand.

Congregation:



As the grains of wheat once scat-tered on the hill were
gath - ered in - to one to be - come our bread;
so may all your peo - ple from all the ends of earth be
gath - ered in - to one in you.

Verses



1. As this cup of bless - ing is shared with - in our midst
2. Let this be a fore - taste of all that is to come when
to Refrain
may we share the pres - ence of your love.
all cre - a - tion shares this feast with you.

(10:30) Offering

An offering is gathered for the mission of the church, including the care of those in need.
After the offering is gathered, all who are able are invited to stand.

For the Life That You Have Given

For the life that you have giv - en, for the love in Christ made known,
with these fruits of time and la - bor, with these gifts that are your own:
here we of - fer, Lord, our prais - es; heart and mind and strength we bring.
Give us grace to love and serve you, liv - ing what we pray and sing.

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HOLY MANNA

Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Risen One,
you call us to believe and bear fruit. May the gifts that we offer here be signs of your abiding love.
Form us to be your witnesses in the world, through Jesus Christ, our true vine. Amen.

[10:30 service continues on p. 17 w/The Lord's Prayer]

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with
you. Lift up your hearts. We
lift them to the Lord. Let us give
thanks to the Lord our God. It is
right to give God thanks and praise.

Presider: *Congregation:*

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Congregation:

The musical score is written on five staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The lyrics are placed below the notes. The score is divided into parts for the Presider and the Congregation, with some lines alternating between them. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin; who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy

Congregation:

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'Holy, Holy'. It consists of five staves of music in G major (one sharp) and 6/8 time. The lyrics are written below the notes. The score includes a key signature change from G major to G minor (two sharps) for the final phrase.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly are you, God of pow - er and
might; Heav - en and earth are filled with your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est! Bless - ed is the
One who comes in your name. Ho - san - na in the
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est!

Thanksgiving at the Table

Blessed are you, O God of the universe. Your mercy is everlasting and your faithfulness endures from age to age.

Praise to you for creating the heavens and the earth.

Praise to you for saving the earth from the waters of the flood.

Praise to you for bringing the Israelites safely through the sea.

Praise to you for leading your people through the wilderness

to the land of milk and honey.

Praise to you for the words and deeds of Jesus, your anointed one.

Praise to you for the death and resurrection of Christ.

Praise to you for your Spirit poured out on all nations.

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.

With this bread and cup we remember our Lord's passover from death to life as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

O God of resurrection and new life: Pour out your Holy Spirit on us and on these gifts of bread and wine. Bless this feast. Grace our table with your presence.

Come, Holy Spirit.

Reveal yourself to us in the breaking of the bread. Raise us up as the body of Christ for the world. Breathe new life into us. Send us forth, burning with justice, peace, and love.

Come, Holy Spirit.

With your holy ones of all times and places, with the earth and all its creatures, with sun and moon and stars, we praise you, O God, blessed and holy Trinity, now and forever.

Amen.

[10:30 service continues here]

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray as our Lord taught us:

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.

[10:30 service continues on p. 23 w/The Sending]


We Walk by Faith



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 For you, O res - ur - rec - ted Lord, are
 5 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 found in means di - vine: be - neath the wa - ter
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 and the word, be - neath the bread and wine.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

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Now the Green Blade Rises



1 Now the green blade ris - es from the bur - ied grain,
2 In the grave they laid him, love by ha - tred slain,
3 Forth he came at Eas - ter like the ris - en grain,
4 When our hearts are win - try, griev - ing, or in pain,



wheat that in dark earth man - y days has lain;
think - ing that he would nev - er wake a - gain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain;
your touch can call us back to life a - gain,



love lives a - gain, that with the dead has been;
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps un - seen;
raised from the dead, my liv - ing Lord is seen;
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been;



love is come a - gain like wheat a - ris - ing green.

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After all have returned to their places

All who are able are invited to stand

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the gifts of his body and blood strengthen, keep and unite us, now and forever.

Amen.

Song After Communion

Congregation:



1. Praise to you, O God of mer - cy:
2. From of old you loved and sought us:



Thanks be to you for ev - er! Rais - ing high the
Thanks be to you for ev - er! Truth and jus - tice



weak and low - ly: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!
you have taught us: Thanks be to you for - ev - er!



Strong is your faith - ful-ness, strong is your love, re -



mem - b'ring your cov - e - nant of life with us.



3. Praise to you O God of mer - cy: Thanks be to you for



ev - - er! Rais - ing high the weak and low - ly:



Thanks be to you for ev - er. Thanks be to you for - ev - er!

Post Communion Prayer

Shepherding God, you have prepared a table before us and nourished us with your love. Send us forth from this banquet to proclaim your goodness and share the abundant mercy of Jesus, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

[10:30 service continues here]

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God.

Sending Hymn

Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring Son; end - less is the
2 Lo, Je - sus meets thee, ris - en from the tomb! Lov - ing - ly he
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life; life is naught with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won! An - gels in bright rai - ment
greet thee, scat - ters fear and gloom; let his church with glad - ness
out thee; aid us in our strife; make us more than con-qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain
where thy bod - y lay.
death hath lost its sting! Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-qu'ring
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won!

Dismissal

Go in peace. Rejoice and be glad.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: *Thine Is the Glory*

- Georg Friedrich Handel, arr. Robert J. Hughes

The Lord's Table at Jordan Church is an open table. If you are a baptized Christian of any church, believe in the Lord's presence in the sacrament and have received the sacrament before, you are welcome to receive with us. If you are not able to receive, please come forward for a pastoral blessing. To come forward, simply follow the direction of the ushers. **Distribution method** is noted in the order for worship.

ALTAR DISTRIBUTION: As you come forward, please take an empty cup with you to the altar rail. If you choose not to consume wine, grape juice is available. Come to the altar rail without a glass and a communion assistant will offer you the grape juice in a pre-filled glass.

INTINCTION DISTRIBUTION: Come forward and receive a wafer. Then dip it into either the wine (the cup in the center of the bread plate) or the grape juice (in the separate cup held by the second assistant). If you want additional time at the altar, please step to center of the altar rail out of the flow of other worshippers. You are invited to kneel if you wish.

Gluten-free wafers are available – please indicate your need to the communion assistant.

You are asked to fill out **communion cards** clearly and completely, one card per person. Visitors are asked to fill out the address of their home church (if you identify with one) so we may forward the card there. Take a moment also before leaving to sign our guest book, located in the entrance area.

If it is necessary to **leave the sanctuary** during worship, please refrain, if possible, from doing so during the reading of scripture or the Eucharistic prayers so as not to distract other worshippers.

The use of **electronic devices** during worship is discouraged. Please turn off cell phones or place on vibrate before the start of the service.

Hearing assistance is available for members and visitors to Jordan. Please see an usher to arrange to use a receiver.

A Koala Bear **baby changing station** is located in the handicapped restroom across from the church offices (in the new section). Children's welcome bags and bulletins are located in the narthex. Please ask ushers for help.

Restrooms are located through the left side doors of the chancel; then left through the french doors; restrooms located in the foyer on the right.

Children in grade 9 and younger are asked to remain in the Memory Room when consuming refreshments during the fellowship hours.

Please be sensitive to the fact that many people are allergic to or bothered by **strong scents** (perfume, aftershave, etc.), particularly when many people are gathered closely together, as for **worship services**.

For Parents of young children: We are grateful that God has blessed Jordan with so many young children. Worshiping with young children is a special privilege and joy for all of us. We enjoy the sounds of children in our worship. However, if you sense the need for a "calming break" feel free to take him/her to the Memory Room or Nursery (located through the doors on the left side of the altar) where you can continue to hear and be involved in the worship.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Jordan**, please speak with the pastor following the service or call the church office (610-395-5912).

Announcements for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office before 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 15th of the month.

JELC NEWS for the Week of Mar. 31 - April 6

TODAY (7)

-8:50am-Cherub Choir
 -9:15am, Sunday School & Circle of Faith
 -9:15am, Property Com. mtg.
 -9:15am, Outreach Re-Org. mtg.
 -9:30am, Chorale
 -6:30pm, AA Meeting

MON (8)

-6:30pm, Jordaniers Bowlers
 -7:00pm, Boy Scouts
 -7:30pm, Parkland Garden Club, Memory Room
 -7:30pm, Allentown Band, Family Ctr.

TUES (9)

-6:30pm, Bible Study, M8
 -7:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

WED (10)

-9:00am, Prayer Shawl
 -10:00am, Prep lunch for SWPD, FC Kitchen
 -6:15pm, Friendship Ringers
 -6:30pm, Canon Choir
 -7:00pm, Finance Com.
 -7:00pm, Badminton, Family Ctr.

THU (11) 9am-4pm, Rising Roots Homeschool

-7:00pm, PA Dutch Class, Social Hall
 -7:00pm, Church Council
 -7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

FRI (12)

-4:00pm, Youth Badminton, Family Ctr.
 -7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.
 -9:00pm, Volleyball, Family Center

New Member Info Class

Meet in Pastor Dody's office on April 28th at 9:15 am if you are interested in becoming a member of Jordan or reinstating your membership. Two additional meetings will take place May 5th and 12th and new members will be received at a convenient date to be determined by the group. Please contact the church office or Pastor if interested.

Attendance

3/31/24
 6:30 - 50
 8:00 - 123
 10:30 - 143
 Maundy TH - 27
 Good FRI - 30

Sponsors

Altar flowers are given in honor of our April birthdays, by Dave & Carol Rabenold (D)

Pr. Dody will be on vacation April 13 - 21.
 Pr. Brian Heavner will provide pastoral care. If you have an emergency, you may call the office during regular hours, or contact Pr. Heavner directly at 484-735-5924.

Outreach

Reorganizational Meeting TODAY at 9:15 a.m. in the Conference Room. Come see what Outreach is all about! If interested but can't make the meeting, contact Pr. Dody.

Average weekly expenses: \$8,259
 Current annual surplus/(deficit): (\$4,503)

Weekly collections	
Mar 3-9	\$7,355
Mar 10-16	\$9,941
Mar 17-23	\$3,394
Mar 24-30	\$17,468

Say a Prayer & Send a Card & Pay a Visit

Fellowship Community: Lillian Semmel, Donald Laudenslager

Lehigh Commons: Janet Stettler

Cedar Crest Post Acute: Reed Klotz

Parkland Manor: Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

Heather Glen: Sonny Laudenslager, Anna Bieber

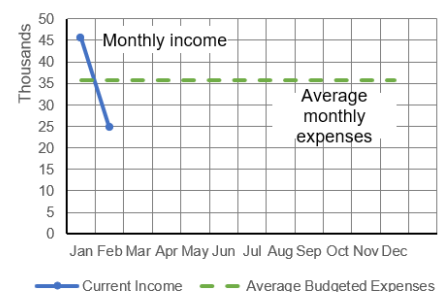
Home: Margaret Smith, Dale Gogel, Richard Seltzer, Roger Schoemaker, Carolyn Flemish

Please keep these people in your prayers: Helen Shollenberger, Susan Mancino, Gladys Harkins, Dean Shollenberger, Lester Knipe, Nat Hager, Lisa Williams, Kim Friend, Bethany Friend, Jon Conrad, Rumpun Heller, Donna Stark, Kathy Attieh, Carolyn Flemish, Robin, Hope, Jenan, Roger Shambough, Kris, Roger, Connie, Remy Sedlock, Ed Rabenold, Sally Crowe, Anne, Judy Young, Donna Hahn, Alice & Hank

Birthdays this week: William Lutterschmidt, Kurt Posegay, Michele Wagaman, Shirley Wertman, Gilbert Keller, Emily Krueger, Carol Rabenold, Patricia Rotz, Jessica Friday, Laura Peters, Dawn Stoudt, Melanie Welch-Bosler

Anniversaries this week: Chell & Barry Dorney (6), Alan & Patricia Rotz (48), Kevin & Judy Murphy (43), Dan & Donna Stark (37)

2024 Monthly Income vs Expenses



SPONSORSHIPS

Altar Flowers: May 26; June 2, 9, 30, July 7, 14, 28; Aug. 11, 18, 25; Sept. 1, 29

Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$40/2 vase, or *\$20/1 vase*; Bulletins for \$20.

HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS: Contact Donna Hahn at 610-295-9148 or dhahn16@gmail.com with your choice of dates(s) and sponsorships(s). Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut ins. If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut ins.

Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate.

SPONSORSHIP POLICY: Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one-year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.

Please Note: on May 1, Flower prices will increase to \$50/2 vases & \$25/1 vase.

Worship Assistants

DATE	4/7	4/14	4/21	4/28
Altar Guild	8:00-J Suhocki 10:30-S Stettler	8:00-C Dorney 10:30-C Heilman	8:00-S Wagaman 10:30-K Leonard	8:00-C Dorney 10:30-L. Stettler
Lector	8:00-J Siegfried 10:30-L Stettler	8:00-C Dorney 10:30-K Boardman	8:00-A Russell 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-J. Boscia
Acolyte	8:00-B Epting 10:30-C Wozniak	8:00-P Shafer 10:30-N Heckman	8:00-L Epting 10:30-D Dreisbach	8:00-I Strohl 10:30-O Wozniak
Ushers	8:00- 10:30-Stettler & Jensen fams	8:00- 10:30-Stettler & Jensen fams	8:00- 10:30-Stettler & Jensen fams	8:00- 10:30-Stettler & Jensen fams
Bell Toller	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-B Stettler	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-C & C Boscia	8:00-D Stark 10:30-B Stettler	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-B Stettler
Video	10:30-O Wozniak	10:30-D Clark	10:30-	
SAT	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	8:00- 10:30-	

Please look at the dates we have no one scheduled and give a call to the name listed below for the area(s) you can help with!

Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels ljd2167@yahoo.com // **Lectors**/Julie Boscia julie.boscia@gmail.com // **Acolytes**/Stephany Heckman sgarboglio@yahoo.com // **Ushers** /John Weremedic miner70@ptd.net // **Bell Toller**/Sandie Hamil hamilsre@gmail.com // **SAT**/Doug Clark d.clark854@gmail.com // **Video**/Tom Daniels tkdaniels@ptd.net

Egg Hunt Thank YOU!

Thank YOU Jordan, for your "egg-ceedingly" generous help to stuff eggs, donate candy, gift cards and monetary gifts for the Easter Egg Hunt. The kiddos had a great time creating crafts, guessing jellybeans/Hershey Kisses, watching the, "Easter Animal Contest" skit presented by our youth and finding 700 candy-filled eggs!

Thank you Stephany Heckman, Egg Hunt Director, and volunteers, the blessings shared were enjoyed by all.

Sunday School Fundraiser

The Sunday School Dept. is asking for donations for Gress Mountain Ranch, therapeutic ranch and forever home to 50+ rescue animals, located in Orefield, PA. Specific items needed: Pine shavings, pelleted horse bedding, Senior Horse food, 50 lb. bag of popcorn (purchase Restaurant store, no salt or butter), canned pumpkin, monetary and gift cards highly encouraged. Gift cards: Tractor Supply, Bird Mania, Quakertown Vet, Weis, Costco, Albright's Mill, Mill in Germansville

Additional items needed: Desktop computers, Gatorade Zero, Pot-bellied pig, Mazuri Rabbit and Guinea Pig Food. Donations will be collected in the Memory Room, April 7th - 28th.

Outdoor Worship Service June 9th at 10:30 a.m.

Enjoy an uplifting day of **Faith, Fellowship, Food and Fun** in God's magnificent outdoors. Our 4 – F Celebration Service will be held at the Lone Lane Park Pavilion followed by a delectable lunch and enjoyable games. Sous Chef Hahn and his culinary staff will be providing a tasteful entrée and you will be asked to bring sides to share with others. We welcome your ideas of group games that we can enjoy and are looking for volunteers to oversee each game activity. Anticipate additional information to be available soon. Questions, receptive volunteers or suggestions: Contact Kathy Leonard, 4 – F Coordinator. 610.597.4398

Mother's Day Brunch

Join us for Mother's Day Brunch celebrating all the Moms at Jordan, Saturday, May 4th, at 10:00 am in the Memory Room. It will be a time of food, fun and fellowship. A presentation by "Empty Nest Crafts" will create Spring wreaths.

A donation of \$5 per person will cover the food, collected at the door. Please invite friends and neighbors.

A sign-up sheet will be posted in the Memory Room the month of April.

Iron Pigs Baseball Game

Faith Night at the Iron Pigs, Friday, June 4th, at 7:05 pm., Coca-Cola Park, Allentown, PA. Cost is \$30 per person: Includes Picnic Patio seating, a 2 1/2 hour all you can eat buffet, and unlimited soft drinks. Order forms for tickets are available in the literature racks, our website and in the April newsletter. Sign-up now! Deadline: Sunday, May 5th.

Vacation Bible School - June 17 - 21, from 9am - 11:45 am - For children age 3 to Grade 6. Meet in the Family Center.

Stories, crafts, songs, and games! Online registration opens May 15th. This year's theme is Rocky Railway.

Save the Date!!!! Sight and Sound Bus Trip to see 'Daniel'

Jordan Lutheran Church is sponsoring a bus trip to Lancaster County, Sight & Sound Theater to see 'Daniel', Friday, November 29th, 3:00 p.m. Additional information will be forthcoming. SAVE THE DATE!!