

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? **Psalm 116:12**

You have made known to me the ways of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.

Acts 2:28

You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God. **1 Peter 1:23**

When [Jesus] was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight.

Luke 24:30-31

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To Our Guests

We are glad you are with us. Please sign the guest book by the front door and fill in a visitor’s card from the pew pocket. After the service enjoy a cup of fair trade coffee with friends in the Fellowship Hall.

THE FONT OF IDENTITY

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Easter Proclamation

Christ Is Risen!
Christ Is Risen, Indeed!

Introit (6x)

Christ is risen, alleluia. Love is risen, alleluia.

Proclamation

Please join me in our proclamation:
In life and death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God,
whom alone we worship and serve.

Remembering our Baptism

***Hymn 408**

“There’s a Sweet, Sweet Spirit”

Prayer for Wholeness (see insert)

Response (2x)

Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Declaration of Grace and Gratitude

***+Response 243 (3x)**

Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!
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***Passing of the Peace**

Blessing the World

Kenya, Tanzania

Response 250, v. 1

*In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise: butterflies will soon be free!*
*In the cold and snow of winter there’s a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

First Pew

Response 250, v.3

*In our end is our beginning; in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing; in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection; at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.*

Welcome and Parish Life

THE WORD OF HOPE

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Reading

Interlude

Lesson

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

“On the Road Again”

***Hymn 835**

“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”

THE BREAD OF LIFE

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Prayer for Others

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

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***Acclamation**

With believers in every time and place
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God
in Christ Jesus, our Lord

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Sending 246, v. 1, 5

*Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
The cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
Love, drowned in death, shall never die.*

*Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news
to this and every age,
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy,
with justice, love, and praise.*

The road is long, but the way is sure.

George MacDonald

To love another person is to see the face of God.

Victor Hugo

We only see what we are ready to see.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Not all those who wander are lost.

J.R.R. Tolkien

*Please rise in body and spirit.

Lesson Translation

New Revised
Standard Version,
Updated Edition

**Sanctuary Flowers
are in Memory of**

Christopher Bahr,
son of Cathy and Don Cross

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Sunday, April 19 • Third Sunday of Eastertide

Iaisah 51:1-6 Psalm 34:1-10 1 Peter 1:17-23 Luke 24:13-35

8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service – Sanctuary / Zoom

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall / Zoom

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary / Zoom

Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

Monday, April 20

Office Hours 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Tuesday, April 21

5:00 p.m. Immigration & Refugee Support Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, April 22

7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Choir Room

Friday, April 24 • Church Closed

4:00 p.m. Private Event until 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 25 • Church Closed

2:00 p.m. Private Event until 5 p.m.

Sunday, April 26 • Fourth Sunday of Eastertide

Ezekiel 34:7-15 Psalm 100 1 Peter 2:19-25 John 10:1-10

8:30 a.m. Early Worship Service – Sanctuary / Zoom

9:30 a.m. Sunday Seminar – Fellowship Hall / Zoom

11:00 a.m. Service of Worship – Sanctuary / Zoom

Sunday Studio – Children K-5th Grade – Classroom 2

2:15 p.m. Youth Group at Shepherd Game Room until 4:15 p.m.

Eastertide
Third Sunday

April 19, 2026
11:00 a.m.

Road to Emmaus

When there is shattered glass in my heart,
when the road is long and dull,
when the past has bent, the future vanished,
when I seem to walk from darkness toward darkness—
I pray not that the story be changed
but that my eyes be open
to you,
here beside us,
opening our eyes.

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