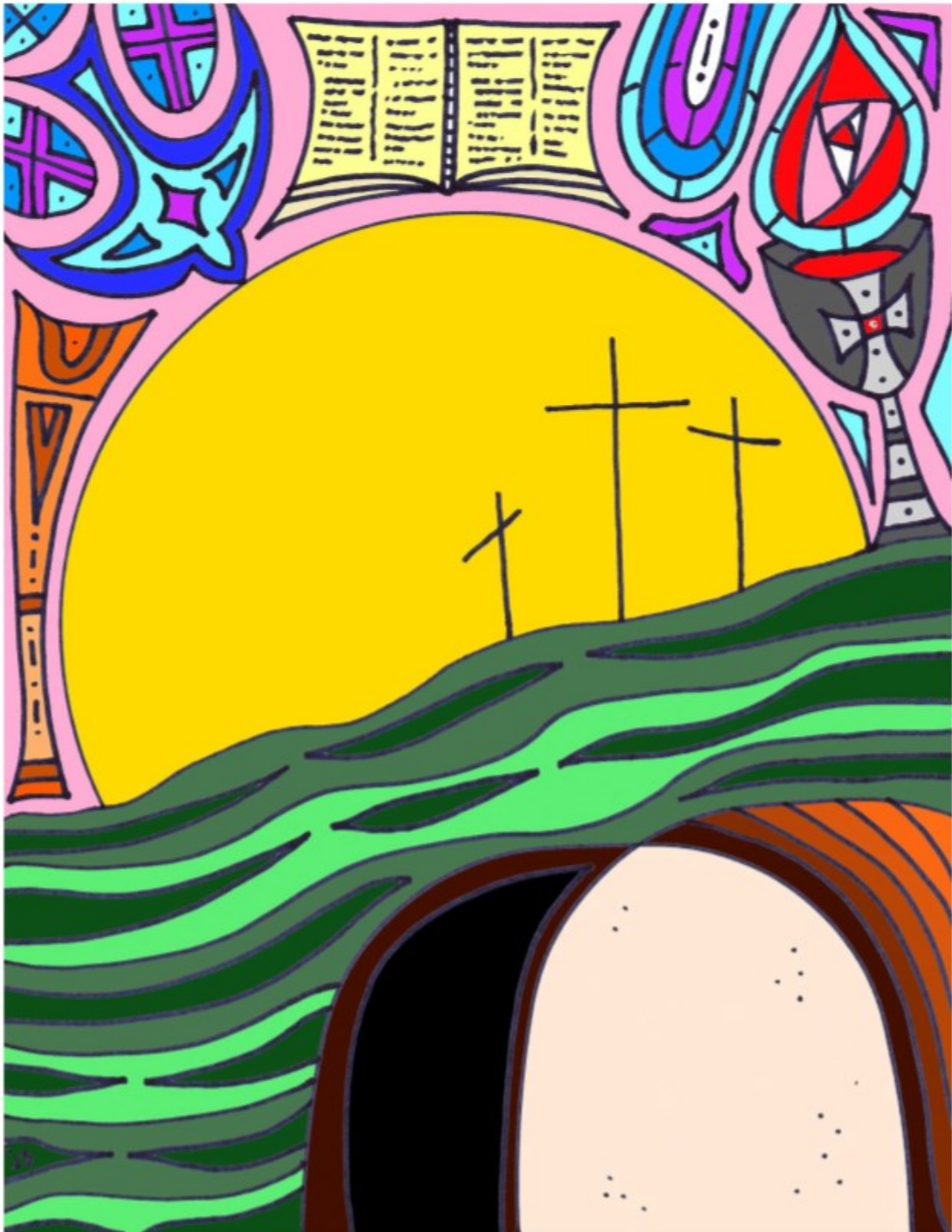


Easter Sunday



Jesus has risen!

This Sunday's worship service will be streamed live over the internet at 10:30 a.m. and will be available to the public. It will be broadcast on FPC's YouTube Channel - "FPC Phoenixville". The recorded version will be available for "anytime" viewing.

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCrmNs7JdvZNIpsNjs0Ds8vg>

Morning Worship
EASTER SUNDAY
‡ March 31, 2024 ‡ 10:30 a.m. ‡

Prelude: *"Easter Proclamation"* by Lloyd Larson

Merry Ringers Bell Choir

Welcome

Rev. Doug Hagler

Passing the Peace: *"Christos Anesti!"*

Announcements

Sarah Shulman

Call to Worship (leader, people) Terri Camilari
From the Confession of 1967

God's reconciling act in Jesus Christ is a mystery
which the Scriptures describe in various ways.

It is called the sacrifice of a lamb,
a shepherd's life given for his sheep,
atonement by a priest;

Again, it is ransom of a slave,
payment of a debt,
vicarious satisfaction of a legal penalty,
and victory over the powers of evil.

These are expressions of a truth
which remains beyond the reach of all theory
in the depths of God's love for us.

They reveal the gravity, cost,
and sure achievement of God's reconciling work.

* **Hymn #242:** "Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded" (see page 16)

(Please be seated.)

Prayer of Confession

**Almighty God,
in raising Jesus from the grave,
you shattered the power of sin and death.
We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear,
bound by the ways that lead to death.
We overlook the poor and the hungry,
and pass by those who mourn;
we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed,
and indifferent to calls for justice;
we despise the weak,
and abuse the earth you made.**

**Forgive us, God of mercy.
Help us to trust your power
to change our lives and make us new,
that we may know the joy of abundant life.**

(Silent prayer and reflection)

Assurance of Pardon

Bishop Desmond Tutu

Goodness is stronger than evil;
love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness;
life is stronger than death;
victory is ours through him who loves us. **Amen.**

*** Gloria Patri**

(Children may come forward now for the children's message.)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; As it
was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen, amen.**

(Please be seated.)

Children's Sermon

Following the message, children are to return to sit with their family for the remainder of the worship service.

Prayer for Illumination

Terri Camilari

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that as the Scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. **Amen.**

Listen for what the Spirit is saying to the church.

Reading: Acts 10:34-43

Terri Camilari

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."

Reading: Mark 16:1-8

Terri Camilari

^{16:1}When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. ²And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. ³They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" ⁴When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. ⁵As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a

white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. ⁶But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. ⁷But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” ⁸So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Anthem: “*Jesus Lives*” and “*Alive! Alive!*” Children’s Choir

Sermon

Rev. Doug Hagler

***Hymn #235:** “O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing”

(see page 18)

(Please be seated.)

Offering Prayer

In the spirit of the first believers,
we are called to share our goods in common
and contribute to the needs of the poor
with glad and generous hearts.

Offertory: “*The Strife Is O’er*”

arr. D. Cashmore

Please see the QR code card in your pew if you wish to give via credit card, PayPal, or ApplePay.

*** Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise God all creatures here below, Praise God above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*** Prayer of Dedication**

Elder: Jill Kleppinger

(Please be seated.)

Joys and Concerns

The Lord's Prayer (unison)

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

*** Hymn #238: "Thine Is the Glory"** *(see page 19)*

*Anyone who would like to sing the Hallelujah Chorus, please come forward on the last verse of this hymn.
Music will be provided.*

*** Benediction** Rev. Doug Hagler

*** Postlude: "Hallelujah Chorus"** G. F. Handel

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

Joys:

Concerns: Patty & Bill, Connie Wilson

PRAYER CHAIN: Please send any prayer needs to the new email address, fpcprayerchain2@gmail.com. Your request will be distributed to FPC's prayer angels. Their silent efforts will be put to work to lift you up. The same email address can be used for anyone wishing to join the prayer team.

UPCOMING SCRIPTURE READINGS:

Apr. 7th: Psalm 133; Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 1:1-2:2;
John 20:19-31

Apr. 14th: 1 John 3:1-7; Luke 24:36b-48

EASTER EGG HUNT—TODAY!: Calling all kids! You are all invited to stay after the service for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt on the church lawn. Come and have an “eggcellent” time!

QUEER CIRCLE: The next Zoom gathering for the Queer Circle will be this upcoming Monday, **April 1st**, at 7:00 PM. Conversations will continue about *The Book of Queer Prophets: 24 Writers on Sexuality and Religion*. Zoom with the group anytime to learn more about genders, sexual orientation, Christian faith, and related issues.

Queer Circle Link - <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85778319381>

Visit the link or call 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 857 7831 9381

SCRIP GIFT CARDS: April dates for Scrip Orders are on Mondays, the **8th** and **22nd**. To place an order, please call or text Lynne Williams at 610-955- 4749 (cell), or send an email to brettdrew@comcast.net. We will complete the order forms for you. Please make checks payable to “First Presbyterian Church DR”. Use the cards and the church gets a percentage. Thank you! *The Stewardship Committee*

GUEST PREACHER: Pastor Doug will be taking a vacation after Easter. The service on Sunday, April 7th, will be led by a guest preacher, the Rev. Charlie Gross. He is a retired pastor from the Donegal Presbytery whose last ministry call was at West Grove Presbyterian Church. He also served on the Presbytery staff and recorded the podcast, "Encouraging Words." After 2.5 years of recordings during the pandemic, he authored a book with a similar title, “The Big Book of Christian Encouragement.” We look forward to welcoming him on the 7th.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: During the weeks throughout Lent, we have invited you to give generously to “One Great Hour of Sharing” (OGHS). Know that it is not too late to contribute. Envelopes are available in your offering envelope boxes, in the pew racks and on the table in the narthex. You may also send a check to the church office with OGHS noted in the memo. This is once again good opportunity for you to clear out your collection of coins! Join our Sunday School children and fill up a “fish box” with coins. Boxes are available on the table in the narthex, by the envelopes. Offerings will be received, with a special

dedication on the Sunday after Easter, April 7th. Together we can once again help change the lives of many. Thank you for your life-changing offering.

SPRING FLING BINGO: The time for Spring Fling Bingo is at hand. Friday, **April 12th**, at 6:00 PM in Fellowship Hall Come as yourselves or dress in your spring floral finest. Wear your favorite spring hat! We also welcome bunnies, baby animal costumes, or anything that makes you smile. It consists of 10 rounds, with both an adult and child prize for each round. Children/teens are welcome to bring a favorite joke to tell at intermission. Here's your chance to use the microphone! Keep it G-rated for good, godly fun! Please register by using this SignUp Genius link, <https://bit.ly/springflingbingo24> , or scanning the QR Code.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: Last May, we kicked off a Capital Campaign with the purpose of funding repairs to the sanctuary and roof. These repairs were necessary for us to safely return to worshipping together in the sanctuary, which we were able to do in time for last Easter. We appreciate all who have already donated and pledged. To date, \$75,988 has been pledged, of which \$68,220 has been received. This is approximately 43% of our goal of \$160,000. Every contribution helps secure the financial security and the future of First Presbyterian Church. If you have not yet pledged to this campaign, we ask that you prayerfully consider doing so in the coming weeks and months. It is not too late! This effort will continue through the month of May. You may find pledge cards and envelopes in the narthex and the church office. We thank you for your continued support and commitment to our church.

The Stewardship Committee

PUB THEOLOGY: The next Pub Theology night will be on Sunday, April 14th, at 7:00 PM at The Foodery (325 Bridge St, Phoenixville). Join Pastor Doug in a discussion of theological topics and current events over food and drinks. Listen, chat, and hash things out...it's fun and thought-provoking!

GRATITUDE JOURNAL: The journaling prompt for the **month of March** is *“How do you show kindness to nature?”* If you would like to share your reflection (1-2 minutes) after a specific prompt or something you are grateful for, please let us know, and we can let you share during worship with a Minute for Gratitude!

BOOKS THROUGH BARS COORDINATOR: The Church Growth Committee is looking for a Books Through Bars Coordinator who will assist with finding volunteers for a monthly trip and assist with carpool arrangements. If you are interested or have any questions, contact Kristin at kristin.c.craven@gmail.com

MAC TREASURER: The MAC Committee is looking for a new treasurer. If you are called to serve, please email MissionsFPC@gmail.com.

GATHERING OF BLADES: On **April 20th**, the Men's Group will experience a Gathering of Blades. You are invited to join all at Angry Jack's Axe Throwing Club in Phoenixville. This event started as a Men's Group gathering, but anyone is welcome. Let [Pastor Doug](#) know by Friday, **April 12th**, so that he can make a reservation. The plan is to throw axes at either 1:00 PM or 2:00 PM - specific time TBA.

IN THE COMMUNITY: The Khair Community Outreach Committee invites you to an open house event their Mosque (1079 Egypt Rd, Phoenixville) on **April 6th** at 2 PM. In a time where it seems misinformation and intolerance are at its highest, they are opening their doors to foster understanding and unity. There will be different stations set up for people to learn about various aspects of their faith and worship. A Q&A session along with light refreshments will be at the conclusion of the event. Click the following link to register so space and food can be well-planned: <http://bit.ly/ramadanopenhouse>.



This Week in the Life of the Church

EASTER SUNDAY, March 31

(*Childcare available)

10:30 a.m. *WORSHIP – Rev. Doug Hagler, in-person and on YouTube
<https://www.youtube.com/@fpcphoenixville7042>



Join us on the church lawn after the worship service for FPC's Annual Easter Egg Hunt!

Monday, April 1

9:00 a.m. People to People Clothing Ministry (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)
7:00 p.m. Queer Circle (Zoom)

Tuesday, April 2

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, April 3

11:30 a.m. Music Ministry (Sanctuary)
12:30 a.m. Rock the Boat Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
2:00 p.m. Trumpet Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, April 4

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall)
9:00 a.m. People to People Clothing Ministry (Fellowship Hall)
10:00 a.m. People to People Food Ministry (Kitchen)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Friday, April 5

9:00 a.m. Women, Infants & Children (Fellowship Hall)

OFFICE HOURS

Mondays:	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Tuesdays:	10:00 AM – 3:00 PM
Wednesdays:	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Thursdays:	9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Fridays:	by appointment

GENERAL INFORMATION

Nursery & Sunday School: The church nursery is located on the 2nd floor of the main building in room 209 and is available for children ages infant-3 years. All children 3 years and older are invited to attend Sunday School during worship (children will depart the sanctuary for their classrooms immediately following the Children's Sermon), with ages 3-5 in room 210, ages 6-8 in room 208, and grades 5 and older in the third-floor class-room. Sunday School is from 10:45am–11:45am.

Restrooms: The church restrooms are located on the first & second floors of the main building. Ushers can help direct you to the restrooms.

For Hearing Assistance: If you wish to use a wireless assistive listening device to better hear the service, see one of the ushers.

Large Print Bulletins are available from an usher.

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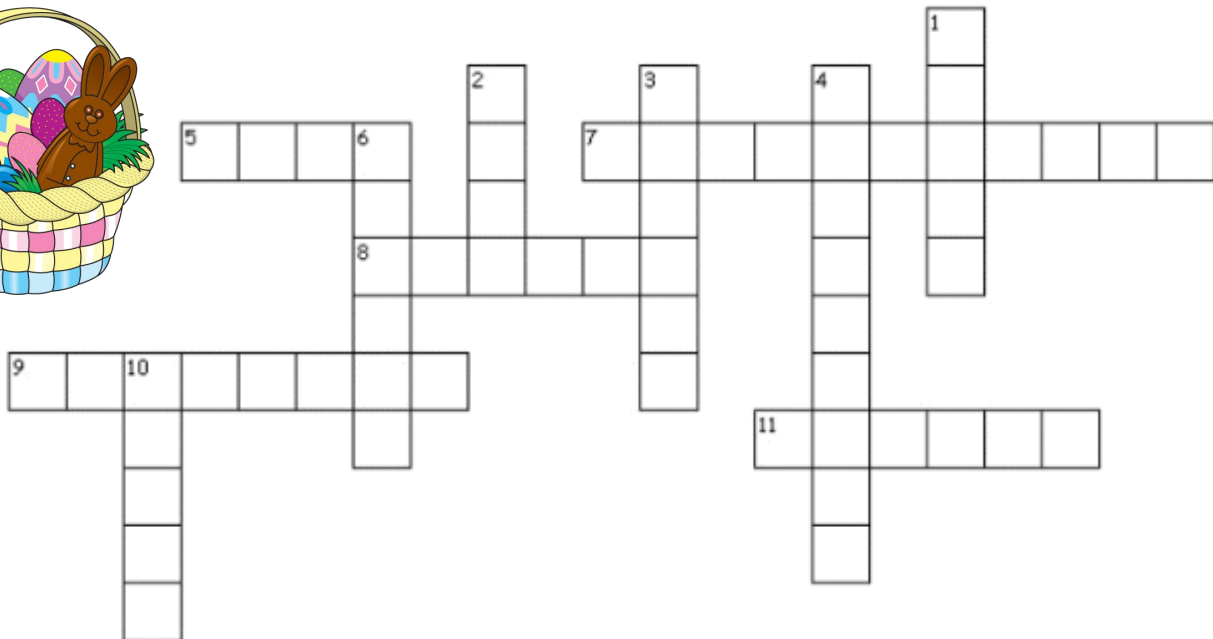
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EASTER CROSSWORD



Across

- 5. Which came first? The chickens or the _____?
- 7. ooey, gooey goodness
- 8. Animal that brings treats and eats carrots.
- 9. baby duck
- 11. Container for collecting eggs at Easter.

Down

- 1. If you drop an Easter egg, it will _____.
- 2. baby sheep
- 3. Pale, light colors.
- 4. Tasty, decadent treat.
- 6. Easter's season
- 10. baby chicken



*Jesus is risen!
 He is risen indeed!
 Happy Easter everyone!*

Easter Flowers 2024

Given in memory of:

- Lillian & John Kennedy
- Bill & Anne Whiteby Barb White
- Ken & Peggy Ann Fetter by Robin & Ken Fetter
- Cathy & Davis Howe..... by The Howe Family
- Helen & Dick Schnaedter
- Marian & Don Meckstrothby Rick & Gail Schnaedter
- Rob Ferguson by Rich, Rebecca, & Sarah Barkley
- Sandy Tonkin..... by Judy Tonkin
- Our family & friends
- that have passedby Randy & Sandy Schrack
- Steven Pilottiby Sarah, Noah, & Shane Pilotti
- Karen & My Parents.....by Lucinda Parrish
- Victor & Dorothy Johnson
- Paul & Marge Anguish
- Ann Miller by Jennifer Johnson

Given in appreciation for:

- FPC Deaconsby Jacqui Busch
- Our Church Family.....by The Gulden Family
- Family and Friends..... by Nancy & George Cockerill

The **Nominating Committee** requests names from the congregation for consideration for the next class of Session members (Elders) and the next class of members of the Board of Deacons. When selecting names to be submitted to the Committee, please consider the qualifications and duties of the elders of the church as described in the Book of Order.

Elders should be persons of faith, dedication, and good judgment. Their manner of life should be a demonstration of the Christian gospel, both within the church and in the world. Elders, together with the ministers exercise leadership, government and discipline, and have responsibilities for the life of a particular church.

The office of Deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, warm sympathies, and sound judgment should be chosen for this office. It is the duty of deacons, first of all, to minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress.

Please submit names to be consider for nomination to Karin Goodman or to the church office by Sunday, April 21st.

ELDER

DEACON

See the next page for the current list of Elders and Deacons.

Hymn #242: "Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded"

Day of de - light and beau - ty un - bound - ed, tell the news, the

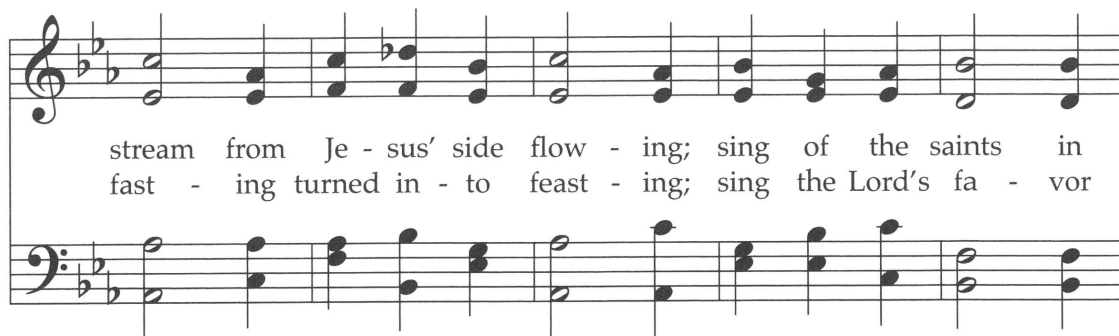
gos - pel spread! Day of all won - der, day of all splen - dor, praise Christ

ris - en from the dead! 1 Sing of the sun from dark - ness ap -
2 Sing now of mourn - ing turned in - to

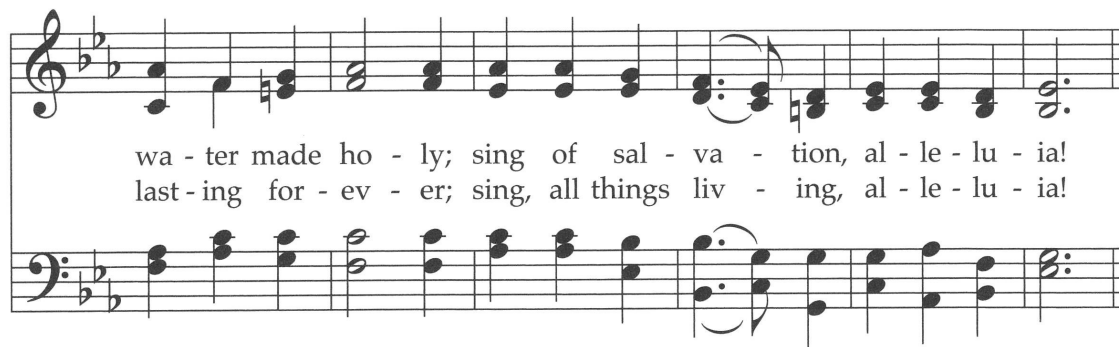
pear - ing; sing of the seed from bar - ren earth green - ing;
danc - ing; sing now the mys - tery, hope of our glo - ry;

sing of cre - a - tion, al - le - lu - ia! Sing of the
sing with thanks - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia! Sing now of

Hymn #242: "Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded" (cont'd)



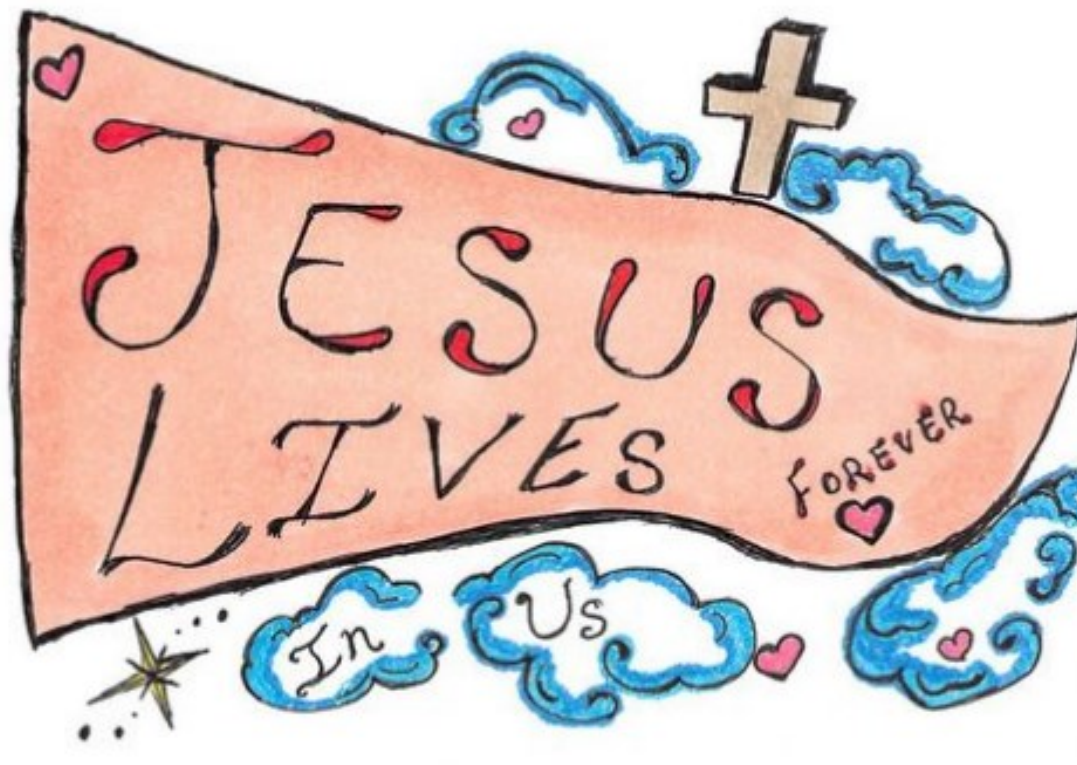
stream from Je - sus' side flow - ing; sing of the saints in
fast - ing turned in - to feast - ing; sing the Lord's fa - vor



wa - ter made ho - ly; sing of sal - va - tion, al - le - lu - ia!
last - ing for - ev - er; sing, all things liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

TEXT: Delores Dufner, OSB, 1996
MUSIC: Giovanni Giacomo Gastoldi, 1591
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IN DIR IST FREUDE
Irregular



Hymn #235: "O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing"

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al -

le - lu - ia!

1 O sons and daugh - ters, let us sing with
 2 That Eas - ter morn, at break of day, the
 3 An an - gel clad in white they see, who
 4 That night the a - pos - tles met in fear; a -
 5 On this most ho - ly day of days, to

heaven - ly hosts to Christ our King; to - day the grave has
 faith - ful wom - en went their way to seek the tomb where
 sits, and speaks un - to the three, "Your Lord will go to
 mong them came their Lord most dear, and said, "My peace be
 God your hearts and voic - es raise, in laud and ju - bi -

lost its sting!
 Je - sus lay.
 Gal - i - lee." Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
 with you here."
 lee and praise.

Fine

TEXT: Attr. Jean Tisserand, 15th cent.; trans. John Mason Neale, 1852
 MUSIC: French melody, 15th cent.; arr. *Airs sur les hymnes sacrez, odes et nôels*, 1623

O FILII ET FILIAE
 8.8.8 with alleluias

Hymn #238: "Thine Is the Glory"

TEXT: Edmond Louis Budry, 1884; trans. R. Birch Hoyle, 1923, alt.
MUSIC: George Frederick Handel, 1748

JUDAS MACCABEUS
5.5.6.5.6.5.6.5 with refrain

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con- quering Son; end - less is
2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - querors

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 - quering
to thy home a - bove.

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

ELDERS ON SESSION

Class of 2024

Jewell Baker
George Cockerill
Jeff McLaughlin
Adam Smith

Class of 2025

Karin Goodman
Cassy Gulden
Jill Kleppinger
Jean Osterhoudt

Class of 2026

Ken Brown
Jacqui Busch
Eileen Naughton
Doug Walker

BOARD OF DEACONS

Class of 2024

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Kristin Craven
Gail Landazuri
Mona Sabia
OPEN

Class of 2025

Paulette Mark
Lucinda Parrish
Lynne Williams
Bob Wittrock

Class of 2026

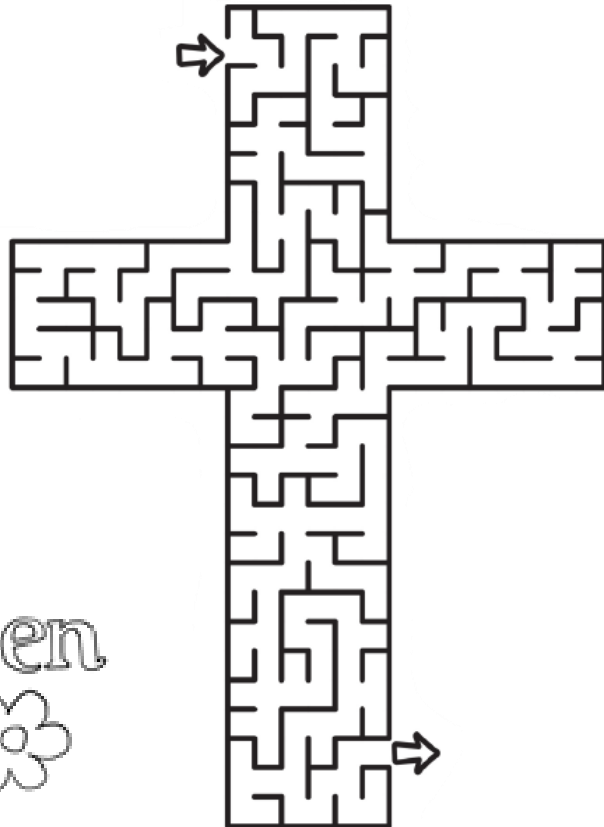
Rebecca Barkley
Jen Johnson
Amy Mincavage
Gail Schnaedter

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**EASTER
CROSS
MAZE**

alleluia

He is Risen
He is Risen



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