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WELCOME

St. Mark's is a community of believers and seekers committed to being queer-affirming and anti-racist, reflecting the love and justice of Jesus Christ. We are a place where people of all ages, sexual orientations, gender identities, and abilities are welcomed, celebrated for their gifts, and invited to share in God's embrace. As an expression of our faith, we strive to stand in solidarity with Black, Indigenous and People of Color (BIPOC).

OUR PURPOSE

Jesus Christ calls us to be a joyful community that celebrates God's love, transforms lives, and is a force for justice in the world.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 9am–noon
Friday & Saturday: Closed

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EASTER SUNDAY | APRIL 20, 2025 | 10:30 AM

^ PLEASE STAND IF YOU ARE ABLE

PRELUDE

Now the Green Blade Rises - Robert Mueller | St. Mark's Handbell Choir

WELCOME

The Rev. Tracy Daub

CENTERING SONG no. 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

(Refrain): **Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord;**

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to his name.

Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior (repeat refrain)

^CALL TO WORSHIP

adapted, Sarah A. Speed/Sanctified Art LLC/sanctifiedart.org | Liam May

One: We gather here as those who have known grief and loss. But today—

All: Today we know hope!

One: Today we know life!

All: Today we know the sound of Alleluias.

One: Today we know that death does not have the last word.

All: Today we know that nothing can separate us from the love of God.

One: It is Easter! Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed!

^GATHERING HYMN no. 232

Jesus Christ is Risen Today

^GATHERING PRAYER

PRAYER FOR FORGIVENESS

adapted, Greg Scheer, <http://www.gregscheer.com/>

Living Lord, when we stand before the empty tomb, we don't always feel the joy of resurrection. Sometimes we feel fear, doubt, and distrust. Sometimes we feel empty. Forgive the fear that paralyzes us at the brink of new life. Forgive our doubt of your love. Forgive our distrust of your surprising, joyous plan. Fill our emptiness with your glorious light. Raise us to abundant new life for the glory of your name. Amen.

(a moment follows for silent personal confession)

One: Friends, hear this good news: God's grace exists for us on our best days,
on our worst days, and every day in between.

All: Thanks be to God for this good news! Alleluia! Amen.

^PASSING THE PEACE

As a forgiven people, we extend the hand of peace and reconciliation to one another saying:

One: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

^HYMN OF PRAISE no. 243*Be Not Afraid*

Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen, alleluia!

Be not afraid; sing out for joy! Christ is risen alleluia!

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING***Acts 10:34-43 | New Revised Standard Version*

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how 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. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not 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. He 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. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING*Luke 24:1-12 | New Revised Standard Version*

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, [the women] came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The 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. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But 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.

One: Holy wisdom, holy word.

All: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM*Christ is Risen - Jan Sanborn | St. Mark's Choir***SERMON***"Between Grief and Hope"***HYMN no. 246***Christ is Alive*

INVITATION TO THE OFFERINGS

***If you'd like to donate to God's work through St. Mark's, ushers will now collect the offerings. You may also give electronically using the Vanco or Venmo QR codes found in the worship guide.*

***If you have a prayer request or an announcement to share during Opportunities, write it down on the sheet of paper included with your worship guide and place it in the offering baskets.*

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OFFERTORY

Andante from 3 Equali - Ludwig van Beethoven

^OFFERING HYMN no. 647

Give Thanks

**Give thanks with a grateful heart; give thanks to the Holy One;
Give thanks because we're given Jesus Christ, the Son.
And now let the weak say, "We are strong";
Let the poor say, "We are rich because of what the Lord has done for us!"
Give thanks. Give thanks.**

^PRAYER OF DEDICATION

OPPORTUNITIES

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

God be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts to God.

We lift our hearts to God, and our thanks and praise, because it is right to do this.

We thank you, God, for breathing into us the breath of life and setting us in your world to love and serve you. When we rejected your love and ignored your wisdom, you did not reject us. You loved us still and called us to turn again to you in obedience and in love.

Out of your great love for the world, you sent Jesus among us to set us free from the tyranny of evil. He lived as one of us, sharing our joys and sorrows. By his dying and rising, he releases us from bondage to sin and frees us from the dominion of death.

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit upon us and upon your gifts of bread and wine, that we may be united with the living Christ and with one another through your love and grace.

Through the power of your Spirit, lead us to live as members of your household: doing justice, loving kindness, and walking humbly with you, our God.

With the confidence of the children of God, let us pray:

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name;
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

BREAKING THE BREAD, POURING THE CUP

COMMUNION

Communion at St. Mark's is open to all individuals of all ages. Worshipers may come down the center aisle and receive the bread or gluten-free option and the non-alcoholic grape juice in either the pre-filled cups or by dipping the bread in the chalice.

COMMUNION HYMN no. 507

Come to the Table of Grace

**Come to the table of grace. (peace, love, hope, joy)
Come to the table of grace. (peace, love, hope, joy)
This is God's table, it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of grace. (peace, love, hope, joy)**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

^SENDING HYMN no. 248

Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna

^CHARGE

from 1 Cor. 16:13; 2 Tim. 2:1; Eph. 6:10; 1 Thess. 5:13-22; 1 Peter 2:17

**Go out into the world in peace. Have courage. Hold fast to what is good.
Return no one evil for evil. Strengthen the faint-hearted.
Support the weak. Help the suffering. Honor everyone.
Love and serve Christ, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

^BLESSING

POSTLUDE

Paso sobre el octavo tono - Joaquín Marínez Ojinaga

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PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Gale Griffin (heart surgery), Jan Gore (health issue), Donna Tullar (health issues), Marilyn Simmons (health issues), Bill Dingeldein (health issues), Sylvia Thorson-Smith (health issues), Ann MacGregor (health issues), Lillian Deyerberg (health concerns), Rob Selby (health issues) and the Selby Family.

A Big **Thank You** to our Brass Musicians for today: Copland Rose, Mary Monaghan, and Jeri Blade.

OPPORTUNITIES

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY: Liturgist: Liam May; Usher: Art Lurvey; Greeter: Lou Prinz
Communion Servers: Gail Kocourek, Daniel and Lorena Moreno, Robin Staples and Paul Tuohy; Communion Set Up and Clean Up: Berry Roberts and Audrey Harding; Livestream: Lori Block, John Jewett, Dexter Mitchell, and Irvin Richards.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING: Join with Presbyterians worldwide in sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. One Great Hour of Sharing currently supports projects in over 100 countries. Thank you for your support.

EASTER SUNDAY: We are glad you are here for the celebration of the risen Christ with a joyful service of music, community and sharing of the good news. Plan to stay after the service for fellowship, refreshments. There will be an **Easter Egg Hunt** after worship. Meet with Emily Carroll outside the Chapel door right after the service. She will lead you on the hunt.

CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED: The church office will be closed on Monday, April 21 for Easter Monday. We will reopen Tuesday, April 22 at 9:00 AM.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS: Congregational Care Committee will meet on Tuesday, April 22 at 1:30 PM in the office conference room. All are welcome.

FOOD PANTRY: Our food pantry helps many people in our community. Thank you for your generous contribution. Right now, we are in need of **canned fruit, vegetables, fish and meat, canned pasta sauce, and cereal**. Please no bulk or family sized items. If you would like to donate other items, here are some suggestions: cans with pop tops are preferred (fruit, fish, meat, beans of all types and mixes) but please, no glass jars or anything larger than 16 oz. We are set on soup! **Feminine hygiene products and travel sized mouthwash** are also needed. We could use **a case of small bottled waters** as we enter inferno season. You may bring items to the red wagon in the narthex on Sundays or to the church office during business hours. Thanks for keeping our food pantry well stocked! And thank you to all who donated bags! We are well-stocked for now.

MONTLURE: Christian Community in a Place Set Apart. Experience Christian community at Montlure Camp and make this a summer that you will never forget! Montlure Camp is our Presbytery's camp, and offers programs for children and youth entering grades 1 through 12. Whether you are a first-time camper or an old pro, there is something for everyone! Register online at visit.montlure.org. Email Montlure at camp@montlure.org, or call (520) 369-2199 for questions.

NOMINATING A PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE: The search for a new pastor continues. Our next step is for the Church Nominating Committee (CNC) to nominate members of the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC). As part of this process. The CNC will be having an informational meeting on May 4 in the chapel immediately following the service to provide information about the duties and responsibilities of the PNC. Members of the congregation are asked to recommend who should be considered for this important role. Recommendation Forms will be available April 27 and May 4. Place your form in the sealed box next to the forms.

MT. LEMMON CABIN: Our cabin is ready to open for the season. Check your calendars and schedule a time to get away from the heat during the summer to our lovely cabin. This year, we are going to try a port-a-potty that is much more accessible for everyone. Also, the rates have increased slightly - Monday - Thursday is \$30.00/day and Friday - Sunday is \$40.00/day. Currently, there can be NO OPEN FLAMES. An electric grill will be available instead. Call Gianina to schedule your stay at the cabin.

EASTER DONATIONS

Easter Flowers

In Memory Of:

Robert and Ruth O'Brien; David and Ruth Hughes; Wilson Hughes - given by Betsy & Phoebe Hughes
Jack and Virginia Laux - given by Leslie Laux
Anne & Mac Heller and Clyde & Eva Coker - given by Jim and Tricia Heller
Charles Ares - given by The Ares Family
Betty McKasson - given by Sarah McKasson
Robert Deyerberg, Evelyn Coomer, John Clenace, Henrietta Clenace - given by Carol Tribble
Chuck Roske - given by Gwyn Roske
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Toshika Prinz and Jere Huss - given by Jan and Lou Prinz

In Honor Of:

The Community of St. Mark's - given by The Person-Rennell Family

Music Donations

In Memory Of:

Dorothy Spalding; Henry Deyerberg - given by Carol Tribble
Charles Ares - given by The Ares Family
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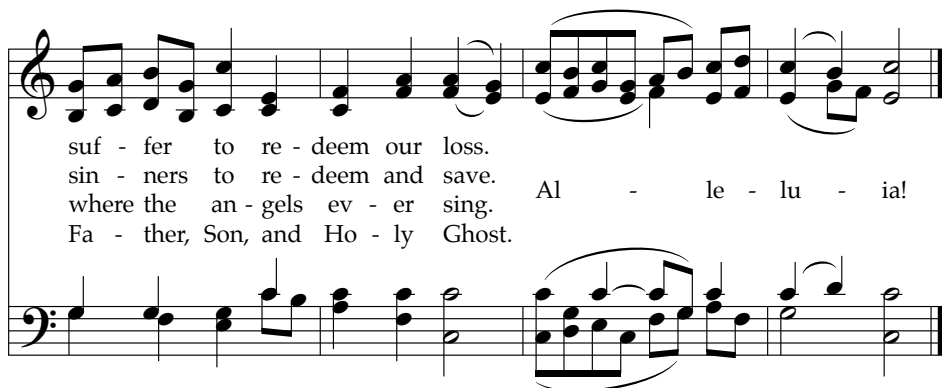
232 Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day,
 2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 But the pains which he en - dured,
 4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day,
 un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 our sal - va - tion have pro - cured.
 praise e - ter - nal as God's love.

who did once up - on the cross,
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Now a - bove the sky he's King,
 Praise our God, ye heaven - ly host,

It seems likely that this beloved Easter text began in Latin and moved through German before reaching English, where it combined with the present tune in the emerging English evangelical style, a reaction to the restrained one-note-per-syllable psalmody that preceded it.



SPANISH

- 1 El Señor resucitó, ¡Aleluya!
muerte y tumba ya venció. ¡Aleluya!
Con su fuerza y su virtud ¡Aleluya!
cautivó la esclavitud. ¡Aleluya!
- 2 El que al polvo se humilló, ¡Aleluya!
vencedor se levantó. ¡Aleluya!
Cante hoy la cristiandad ¡Aleluya!
su gloriosa majestad. ¡Aleluya!
- 3 Cristo, que la cruz sufrió, ¡Aleluya!
y en desolación se vio, ¡Aleluya!
hoy en gloria celestial ¡Aleluya!
reina vivo e inmortal. ¡Aleluya!
- 4 Cristo, nuestro Salvador, ¡Aleluya!
de la muerte es triunfador. ¡Aleluya!
En El hemos de confiar. ¡Aleluya!
Cantaremos sin cesar. ¡Aleluya!

KOREAN

- 1 예수 부활 했으니 할렐루야
만민 찬송 하여라
천사들이 즐거워
기쁜 찬송 부르네
- 2 대속하신 주 예수 할렐루야
선한 싸움 이겼네
사망권세 이기고
하늘 문을 여셨네
- 3 마귀 권세 이긴 주 할렐루야
왕의 왕이 되셨네
높은 이름 세상에
널리 반포 하여라
- 4 길과 진리 되신 주 할렐루야
우리 부활 하겠네
부활 생명 되시니
우리 부활 하겠네

Christ Is Alive!

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1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No lon - ger bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - every age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - every place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

In 1968 Easter fell ten days after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., and this text was written to express an Easter hope while mindful of that terrible event. Buoyed by a triple-arched tune, it affirms the presence of a wounded, risen Christ with all who suffer.

Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna! 248

1 Christ is ris - en! Shout Ho - san - na! Cel - e - brate this day of days!
 2 Christ is ris - en! Raise your spir - its from the cav - erns of de - spair.
 3 Christ is ris - en! Earth and heav - en nev - er - more shall be the same.

Christ is ris - en! Hush in won - der: all cre - a - tion is a - mazed.
 Walk with glad - ness in the morn - ing. See what love can do and dare.
 Break the bread of new cre - a - tion where the world is still in pain.

In the des - ert all - sur - round - ing, see, a spread - ing tree has grown.
 Drink the wine of res - ur - rec - tion, not a ser - vant, but a friend.
 Tell its grim, de - mon - ic cho - rus: "Christ is ris - en! Get you gone!"

Heal - ing leaves of grace a - bound - ing bring a taste of love un - known.
 Je - sus is our strong com - pan - ion. Joy and peace shall nev - er end.
 God the First and Last is with us. Sing Ho - san - na ev - ery - one!

In commenting on this late 20th-century text, the author has stressed his intention to affirm the social implications of an Easter faith: "Christian peace and justice action finds its wellspring, not in moral zeal or guilty conscience, but in the resurrection."