

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER! We welcome all who are visiting with us this morning. We are delighted to have you with us. Please fill out one of our visitor cards so that we can get to know you. If you have any questions about COTR, feel free to ask one of our elders, our ministers, or members. We're glad you're here!

Today–HAPPY EASTER! Christ is risen!

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: We rejoice this morning to have the baptism of Declan Jackson Nash, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Nash. Please pray that Declan will continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus.

HOSPITALITY MEAL TODAY: If you don't have plans for lunch today, you are welcome to join some of our families for an "Easter Potluck" in the fellowship hall. It's going to be a great time for all, so if you don't have other plans, come join in!

NO EVENING SERVICE: We will not have our regular evening service today but will resume out service next Sunday.

Monday–EASTERTIDE DANCE: The Hilleke family has invited everyone (ages 13 and up) to an "Eastertide Dance", tomorrow evening, April 1, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Plan to come!

Saturday - All ladies are cordially invited to a baby shower for Avalee Porter from 2 - 4 p.m. at the home of Aleta Eley, 3705 Deborah Drive, Monroe.

Next Sunday–HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP: We will have our next High School Fellowship next Sunday after evening worship, beginning at 7:15 p.m. All high schoolers are invited – so plan to hang around after worship and enjoy a great time of food and fellowship together.

UPCOMING:

FRIDAYS WITH FLANNERY: "Fridays With Flannery" will resume Friday evening, April 12, at 7:00 p.m. Mark your calendar and make plans to come.

DYC SPRING CONCERT & GENEVA ACADEMY ART SHOW: The Delta Youth Chorale's Spring concert will be held on Thursday, May 2, at 7:00 p.m. here in the sanctuary. The concert will be preceded by the annual Geneva Academy Art Show at 5:00. You will not want to miss these two outstanding events!

PENTECOST SUNDAY: This year, Pentecost falls on Sunday, May 19. We will have our annual Pentecost feast in the afternoon so plan accordingly!

CALENDAR

March 31 – No evening service

April 1 – Eastertide Dance, 7:00 p.m., fellowship hall
6 – Baby shower in honor of Avalee Porter, 2:00 p.m.
7 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
12 – Renewal Center Lunch, 11:30 a.m.
Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
14 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.
Pizza fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
College & Career fellowship, 7:30 p.m.
21 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
26 – Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
28 – College & Career fellowship, 7:15 p.m.

May 2 – DYC Spring concert and the Geneva Art Show
5 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.
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Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
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Pizza fellowship, 7:00 p.m.
College & Career fellowship, 7:30 p.m.
17 – Geneva Academy Graduation ceremony, 7:00 p.m.
19 – Pentecost Sunday
Pentecost feast, 5:00 p.m., no evening service
24 – Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.
26 – Trinity Sunday
College & Career fellowship, 7:15 p.m.

NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

Infant: AM: Anna Pryor, Sarah Richey
Floater: Laura Belle Hilleke

Toddler: AM: Caroline Seal, Rachel Huber
Floater: Miles Lang

NEXT WEEK:

Savannah Riley, Joanna Gunter
Emmalynne Eley

Kaitlyn Rockett, Amy Booth
Parker Hanson

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THE LORD'S SERVICE

EASTER SUNDAY

MARCH 31, 2024

10:00AM MORNING SERVICE

THE LORD CALLS US TO DRAW NEAR

MINISTER: “In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us worship God.”

+ HYMN (insert) *“Alleluia! Alleluia!”*

+ SALUTATION:

Minister: “Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The Lord be with you.”

Cong: “And with your spirit”

Minister: “Christ is Risen!”

Cong: “He is risen indeed!”

Minister: *“I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen. And I have the keys of Hades and of Death.” Amen.*

THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”

Cong: Almighty God, who has brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ; we confess that we are unworthy of Your redeeming grace. We have not believed Your promises, nor heeded Your Word. We have forgotten the glad tidings of our Savior’s victory over death and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. Forgive us and cleanse us from all our sins, and restore unto us the joy of Your salvation. For the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Redeemer. Amen.

+ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Minister: “Arise and hear the good news of God’s forgiveness: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

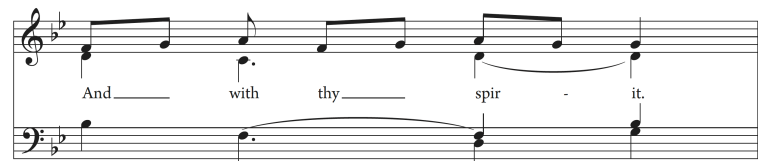


+OPENING ACCLAMATION:

+ASCENSION (Sung Preface & Sursum Corda):

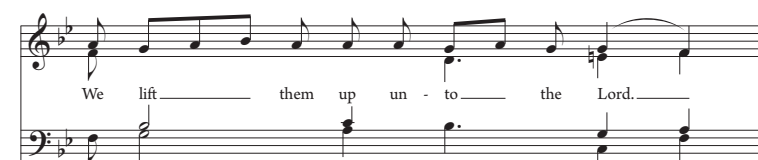
Minister: The Lord be with You.

Congregation:



Minister: Lift up your hearts.

Congregation:



Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

Congregation:



Minister: “It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee. O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God: Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:”

+ SANCTUS (p. vii, SH)

+ PRAYER OF ADORATION

+ CANTICLE #4 (SH) *“Gloria in Excelsis”*

THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON

Isaiah 25:6-9

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

Cong: “Thanks be to God.”

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalms 118:1,19-29

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

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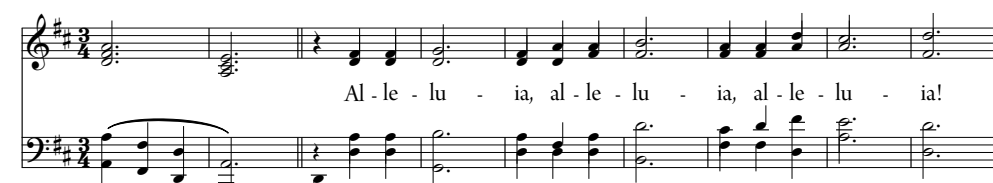
+ HYMN #92 (SH) *“Hail Thee Festival Day”*

+ READING OF THE GOSPEL Mark 16:1-8

Minister: “The Gospel of our Lord.”

Cong: “Praise be to You, O Christ.”

+ THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA:



+READING OF THE TEXT Psalm 16

+PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *“Jesus’ Faith and Our Salvation”*

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #205 *“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”*

(the congregation will sing this hymn)

+ DOXOLOGY (We lift our hearts, voices, and hands in praise to God)

+ PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

HYMN (insert) *“This Joyful Eastertide”*

+ PRAYER OF INTERCESSION:

Minister: Lord, in your mercy,

Congregation: Hear our prayer.

+ THE LORD’S PRAYER: page ix (SH)

+ NICENE CREED:

WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY; Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

AND IN ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven; And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven; And sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

AND WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY GHOST; the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets and in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead; And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LORD’S SUPPER:

Words of Institution

Thanksgiving for the Bread

Communion Hymn #203 *“Jesus Lives! Thy Terrors Now”*

Thanksgiving for the Wine

Passing the peace of Christ

Minister: “The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith unto life everlasting; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” **Amen.**

THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

+ HYMN #5 (SH) *“Nunc Dimittis”*

+ BENEDICTION

+ THREE-FOLD AMEN