

Sending into the World

*Sending Hymn: *He Lives!!!*

Postlude *Christ is Alive*

*Please stand in body or in spirit.

Please join us for fellowship following worship.

Music: Peggy Davidson, Susan Wismer & Stephanie Brandt

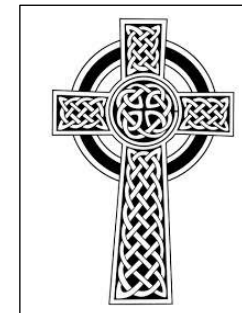
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Announcements:

- **Please join us in wishing a very happy anniversary to Maury and Dorthy, who will celebrate their 74th wedding anniversary on Tuesday, April 7th!!!!**
- We will be having our One Great Hour of Sharing offering today.
- April Pantry collection – Peanut butter & Jelly.
- We will be serving at the Manor on April 26th, instead of May 3rd. (Serving Group #3)
- We are in need of volunteers for the 2nd and 4th Saturday mornings of the month to help distribute diapers. Please sign up in the fellowship room.
- Thank you to those who brought lilies for the altar.
- We will be having a 'new members' class in the near future. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Lance.

In our thoughts & prayers: Please pray for those dealing with cancer; for those dealing with serious health concerns; for those dealing with the loss of loved ones; and all people around the world dealing with loss and devastation.



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April 5th, 2026

Easter Sunday

Welcome to Worship
April 5th, 2026, 10:00 A.M.
Easter Sunday

Gathering Around the Word

Ringing of the Bell

Special Music: *Were You There?* Kate Wismer

Announcements

Prelude: *Easter Song* Peggy Davidson & Susan Wismer

Invocation

***Call to Worship:**

We don't know where to find Jesus.

The days have been dark. The news has been sad.

We don't know what to do with our grief.

The cross has claimed his life.

The tomb has shrouded our hope.

We don't know where to turn for comfort.

Who has stolen him from us?

Why are we alone at the tomb?

We don't know where to look for answers.

Tears of sorrow blind us in our grief.

We don't know where to find Jesus.

***Hymns of Praise:** *Christ Arose* #357
Christ the Lord is Risen Today #367

***Prayer of Yearning:** God of mystery and might, on a dawn shrouded in grief and pain, you surprise us with the light of your wondrous love. We come to the tomb expecting death, but find life instead. Take us back to that moment, when fear was healed by hope and death was banished →

by life. In the holy awe of Easter morning, may we sing out our joy, for Christ, our Lord, has risen today! Amen.

***Gloria Patri** (words on screen)

Anthem: *See What a Morning*

Children's Message: *Jesus Loves Me (v.1)* #185

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Hearing the Word

Scriptures: Psalm 118:1-2,14-24; Acts 1:1-5; 1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Peggy Pearson

Hymn of Consecration: *Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks* #359

Gospel Reading: **John 20:1-18** Lance Griese

Congregation: "Thanks be to God"

Message: "Because He Lives" Lance Griese

Giving of our Tithes, and Gifts

Offertory: *Because He Lives* duet/Peggy Davidson & Stephanie Brandt

***Response:** *Doxology* #815

Offering Prayer: With gratitude and joy, O God, we bring these gifts for your use, even as we offer our very lives into your loving service. May our financial assistance and the ministries of this church bring new life to a hurting world in need of resurrection. May our gifts touch the lost and lonely with the assurance that in your arms, life never ends and love never dies. In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.