

## St. John's at Worship Resurrection of the Lord

Introit "All Creatures of Our God and King" *arr. Yastky*

Scripture Reading John 20:1 – 18 (pg. 114) Kristi Thomson

### \*Call to Worship

Leader: You have come here looking for Jesus who was crucified.

**People: He is not here! He has been raised!**

Leader: Christ is risen!

**People: He is risen indeed!**

Leader: Let us worship our risen Lord!

\*Hymn **302, vss. 1, 3, 5** "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today"

### \*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

### \*Confession of Faith *From the Book of Common Worship*

Leader: This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:

**People: Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures, he was buried, he was raised on the third day, and he appeared, first to the women, then to Peter and the disciples, and then to many faithful witnesses. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. He is the first and the last, the beginning and the end; He is our Lord and our God.**

Leader: Great is the mystery of faith!

**People: Christ has died!**

**Christ is risen!**

**Christ will come again!**

### \*Gloria Patri

**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.**

Children's Time Rev. Marshall

*Children return to their families after the children's time.*

Anthem "Jesus! High and Only One" *McDonald*

Scripture Reading Colossians 3:1 – 4 (pg. 201)

Sermon HOLDING ON AND LETTING GO Rev. Marshall

*At the end of the sermon, we will have a moment of silent reflection and prayer.*

\*Hymn **104 (INSERT)** "Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!"

Offering (Ushers will also collect blue prayer request cards at the time of the offering.)

Offertory "The Gift of Love" *Hopson*

\*Doxology and Presentation of the Offering

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

\*Prayer of Dedication (If you need to sit for the prayer, please feel free.)

\*Hymn **318, vss. 1, 3, 5** "Christ Is Alive"

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response "For Yours Is the Kingdom" *Bell*

\*Postlude "Praise the Lord, the Almighty" *arr. Hart*

### ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

**Director of Music** *Iris Blanco*

**Greeter** *Virginia Holt*

**Ushers** *Bob Miller, Tom Higgins, Carol & Jim Netter*

**Coffee Service** *Chris and Judy Mileto*

**Guest Musicians** *Crystal Charles (alto), Luis Cuevas (violin), Cassia Harvey (cello), Miyuki Hashimoto (soprano), Alexander Kislitsyn (violin), Tom McCauley (viola), Julia Petters (alto/flute), Luciana Piovon (soprano), and Patty Turse (harp)*

### WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ this morning, and we hope that you experience the new life that this day brings! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the ushers located at each of the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments downstairs immediately following worship. Our greeter, Virginia Holt, will be available in the back of the sanctuary after worship to answer any questions you might have about St. John's. We are glad that you are here, and hope you will worship with us again soon. Happy Easter!

### WITH THANKS FOR OUR BEAUTIFUL EASTER LILIES:

*John & Barbara Alexander*

*The Chudy Family*

*The Coradi Family*

*Ken and Mary Dilloway*

*The Estabrook*

*Nancy Fielden*

*The Kimmons-Senior Family*

*The McClintick Family*

*Margot Moore*

*Hal and Annie Powell*

*Herb Thal*

*The Griffin Family*

*Frank Lewandowski & Ann Roberts*

*Nancy Davis*

*Kermit and Earline Eck*

*The Feldman Family*

*Sandy Foster*

*David and Christy Markle*

*Judy Mileto*

*The Pearson Family*

*Pam Schafer*

### ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

Today we will dedicate the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering. This offering goes to provide water, food, and disaster relief for those in need around the world. Please use the envelopes in your bulletin or visit <http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs> to learn more and give online.

### CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY – NEXT SUNDAY

Help us prepare for the upcoming renovation project! Following worship on Sunday, April 23, we will be cleaning out the kitchen and closets, reorganizing storage areas, and disposing of unneeded items. You can wear your work clothes to worship, and lunch will be provided for all who help.

### PROGRESSIVE DINNER – APRIL 29

The arrival of spring means it's time for St. John's Annual Progressive Dinner. Plan to join us on **Saturday, April 29 at 6 PM** at the home of Andrea & Michael Zomber, conveniently located right across from the church. After some time for conversation with appetizers and drinks, we will split into small groups for dinner and dessert in individual homes. It's a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends or meet new ones! You can sign up by contacting Nancy Phillips. Please consider hosting a dinner where we will supply the recipes for the entrée, and the guests supply the rest, including drinks. The cost is \$5 per person or \$10 per couple (no fee for hosts). We look forward to seeing you on April 29!

### ST. JOHN'S MONTHLY CONCERT SERIES

Our next monthly concert will be **Sunday, April 30 from 5–6 PM**, featuring "Dances Through the Centuries." These concerts are free and open to the whole community, so please bring a friend and join us for an evening of amazing music!

### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S RETREATS

On Saturday, May 6, we will be holding two separate retreats for men and women. The men's retreat is titled, "Building Your Legacy in God's Grace," and will be led by Gavin Kerr here at St. John's from 8:30 AM to 1 PM, with breakfast included. Contact Jim Little to sign up. The women's retreat is titled, "Bread for the Journey," and will be led by Nicole Duran from 8 AM to Noon at Daylesford Abbey. (If the weather is nice, part of the retreat will be held outdoors on the Abbey grounds. Contact Carla Chieffo to sign up. This will be a great opportunity to deepen your faith, as well as your relationships with others in the church!

#### HORSE SHOW PARKING SIGNUPS

It's time to gear up for our biggest annual youth fundraiser of the year. **May 25 through June 3**, we will be parking cars from 9 AM to 9 PM at St. John's. Like last year, we will have individual day leaders responsible for each day of parking. Please contact Lara in the church office if you are interested in serving as a day leader. You do not have to *be here* all day, simply oversee the volunteers for each shift. Any youth who are participating in the mission trip this year are required to sign up for 3 shifts. We ask that any youth who are not attending the trip sign up for 2 shifts. We are also seeking the help of any adults and parents to help out with shifts as well. Each shift is 3 hours. You can sign up for shifts online at [www.stjohnsdevon.com](http://www.stjohnsdevon.com) (under "Quick Links").



**Save the date for Vacation Bible School 2017!**

**July 24 – 28, 9 AM to Noon**

Children ages 4 – 10 are invited to come and discover God's Word through drama, games, crafts, and songs!

More details will be coming soon!

#### ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

<b>Sun, April 16</b>		<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	9:30 am	Worship
Sun, April 23	9:30 am	Worship, Sunday School, and the Sacrament of Baptism
	10:30 am	Church Clean Up
Sat, April 29	6:00 pm	Progressive Dinner
Sun, April 30	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School Rev. Howard Friend preaching

Patrick is out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Lara is out on Saturdays and Sundays. If you email or call on those days, you may not get a response until they are back in the office. If you have a pastoral emergency on a Saturday, you may call (610) 608-2568.

#### ST. JOHN'S LEADERSHIP

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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

"Now for the Dawning"  
by Andrew King

Now for the dawning, now for the morning,  
now for the chasing of sorrow's night,  
now for the rising, now for rejoicing,  
now for darkness fleeing before light,

now for beginning after the ending,  
now for the rolling of stone from tomb,  
now for the dancing, now for the praising,  
now for breaking the grip of gloom,

now for the greening, now for the flowering,  
now for the garden bursting with life,  
now for the singing, now for the sharing,  
now for the peace in place of strife,

now for the laughing, now the embracing,  
now for the joyful freedom of heart,  
now for the healing, now for the caring,  
now for nourishing the weaker part,

now for forgiveness, now for redemption,  
now for repairing that which was torn,  
now for the mercy, now for the justice,  
now for the plowshare made from the sword,

now for believing, now for the hoping,  
now for our lives and creation made new,  
now for the giving, now for the serving,  
ever celebrating what God's love can do.

**April 16, 2017**  
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