



April 19, 2026

Third Sunday of Easter

Worship Notes

There are offering trays located at each entrance to the sanctuary. If you would like to give, you can put your offering there before worship. You can also give online using this QR code:



If you have a prayer request, there are blue prayer cards in your pew racks that can be put in the trays, as well.

The ^ symbol indicates that you are invited to stand, as you are able.

You can find the hymn on pg. 3 of the bulletin.

Today is the Third Sunday in the season of Easter. Easter is not just a single day, but a 40-day season in which the risen Christ was with his disciples, teaching them and preparing them for the ministry ahead. This is a time in which we think about what it means to live in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Welcome to St. John's!

No matter who you are, where you come from, what you look like, or what you are wearing, you are welcome here! No matter where you are in your faith, you belong here. All we want is to help you experience the presence and love of Jesus Christ! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the greeters located at the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall after worship. We are so glad that you are here and hope you will worship with us again soon!

Welcome & Announcements

Introit

"Let It Grow"

Clapton

Answering God's Call to Worship

One: The tomb is *still* empty! Christ is still risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

One: Let our voices and spirits rise up to celebrate this good news!

All: Jesus is Lord! Our redeemer lives!

One: Let us worship our still and ever-risen Lord!

^ Hymn

"The Day of Resurrection"

Prayer of Invocation & Confession (ending with 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.

Promise of Forgiveness

^ Gloria Patri (#71 in the red hymnal)

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.

^ Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father, Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The scripture reading is printed on the back of the bulletin.

Scripture Reading

John 21: 1-14

Ken Coradi

Women's Fellowship Presentation

Anthem

"Love Rains Down"

Jamgochian/Sadler

After the sermon, there will be a brief musical interlude, offering time for reflection.

Sermon

"Christ in the Ordinary"

Rev. Dr. Marshall

^ Presentation of Offering & Doxology

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 & Prayers of the People

You can find the hymn on pg. 4 of the bulletin.

^ Hymn

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

^ Benediction

After the Postlude, you are encouraged to greet one another (especially people you don't already know!) and come downstairs for a time of refreshments and fellowship. If you see someone standing alone, go talk to them!

^ Postlude

"Get Together"

Powers

Enriching Our Worship of God

Pastors

Rev. Dr. Patrick Marshall, Rev. Ridgley Beckett

Music Director

Janet Kaido

Usher

Lynne Hay

Greeter

Susanne Engheta, Alex Engheta

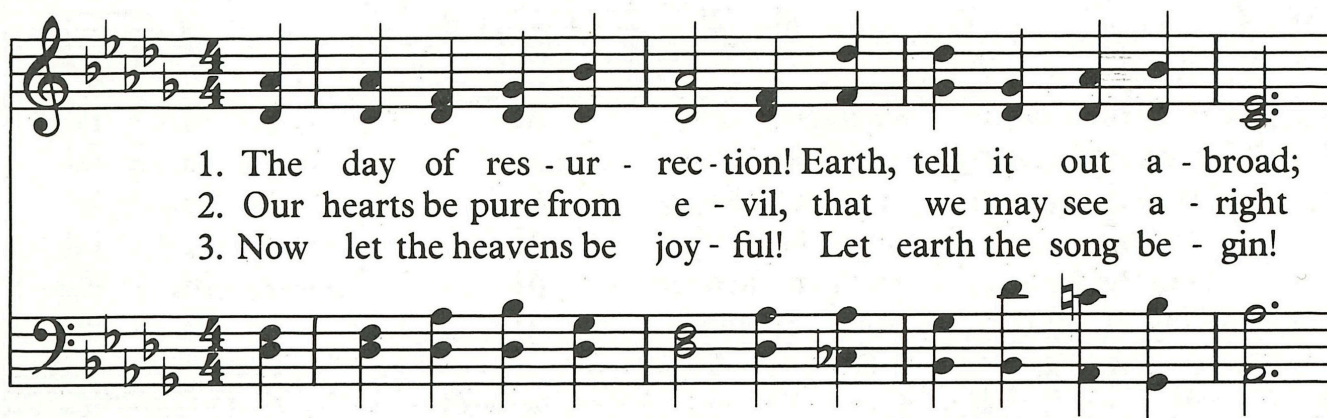
Coffee Servers

Alberto & Stella Urbina

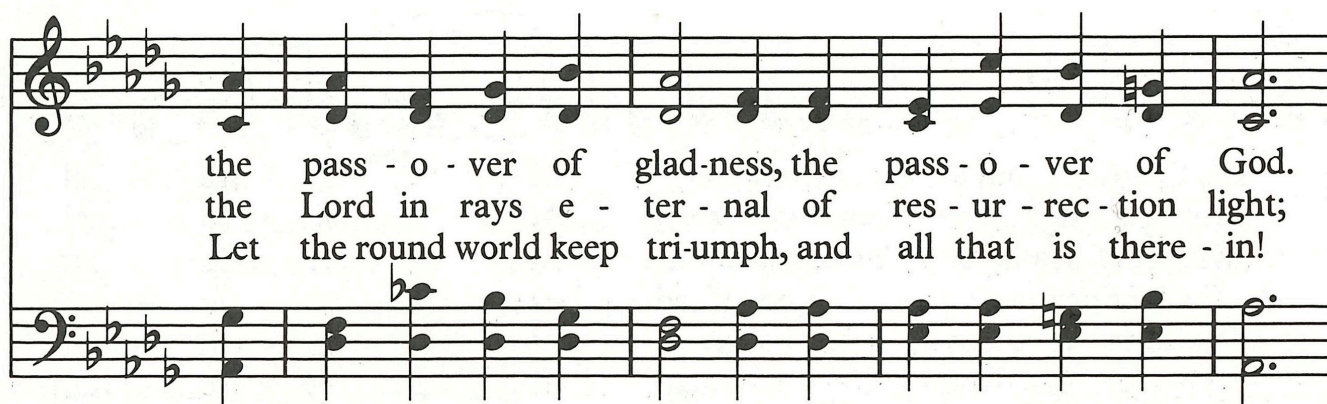
Joy Messengers

Patrick Bullock, Troy Fisher, Lisa Howell, Nancy Kimmons, Emily Marshall, John McClintick, Pam Schafer, John Senior

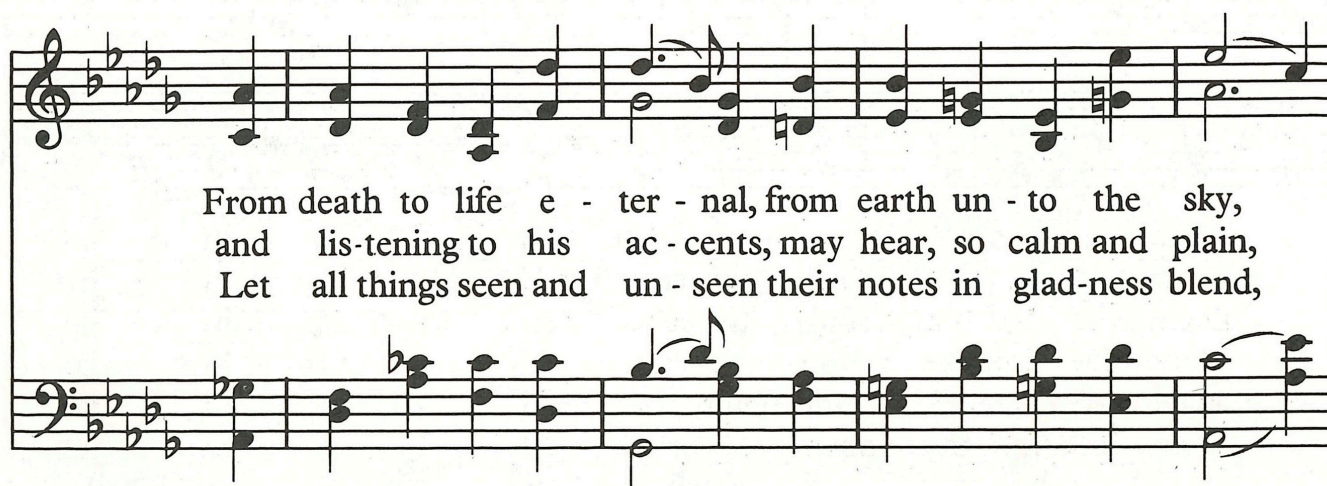
The Day of Resurrection



1. The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
 2. Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
 3. Now let the heavens be joy - ful! Let earth the song be - gin!



the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light;
 Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is there - in!



From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes in glad - ness blend,



our Christ hath brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord hath ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

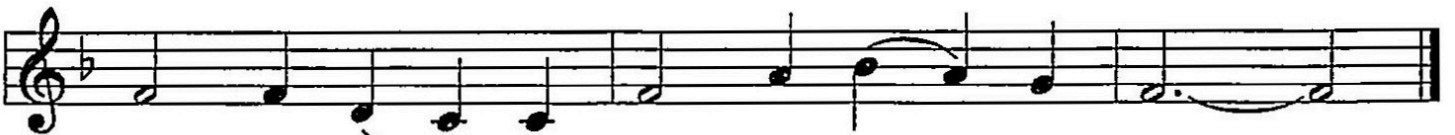
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1. The Spir - it sends us forth to serve; we
2. We go to com - fort those who mourn and
3. We go to be the hands of Christ, to
4. Then let us go to serve in peace, the



go in Je - sus' name to bring glad tid - ings
set the bur - dened free; where hope is dim, to
scat - ter joy like seed and, all our days, to
gos - pel to pro - claim. God's Spir - it has em -



to the poor, God's fa - vor to pro - claim.
share a dream and help the blind to see.
cher - ish life, to do the lov - ing deed.
pow - ered us; we go in Je - sus' name.

Announcements

Congregational Life

Fraud Prevention Seminar

On Sunday, May 3, our church Financial Secretary Brian Bouvier is hosting a seminar to help arm you against some of the most common forms of fraud we face daily. Join us at 11:00 a.m. in the Carriage House, as he talks about A.I./deepfake scams, data breach scams, how to protect yourself, and what to do if you fall victim. Please contact Brian for more information (brianbouvier57@gmail.com).

April Birthdays

Happy Birthday to everyone in our church family who is celebrating a birthday this month! Please wish them a happy birthday in person at church or send them birthday wishes by text, email, or a card in the mail.

April 2 **Lynne Hay**
April 3 **Nancy Housenick**
April 6 **Andria Kaskey**
April 14 **Dwight Jaggard**
April 17 **Ardath Belzer**
April 18 **Nancy Crawford**
April 21 **Janette Scott**
April 21 **Mary Caroline Ward**
April 23 **Finn Holcomb**
April 26 **Cindy Kerr**
April 27 **Emma Kaido**
April 28 **Christina Fish**

Annual Progressive Dinner - Saturday, May 16

Spring is in the air, which means it's that special time again in the life of the church. All are warmly invited to join the St. John's family for our Annual Progressive Dinner—a beloved evening of shared meals, lively fellowship, and meaningful connection.

Enjoy a relaxed evening as we travel from home to home, savoring great food, gracious hospitality and the simple joy of being together. Whether you come on your own or as a pair, this evening is designed to forge new and deeper friendships.

5:30-7:15 p.m. — Appetizer & Cocktail Reception (home of Lisa and Steve Scolari)

7:30-9:30 p.m. — Dinner & Dessert

RSVP using the link in the weekly email or website by Friday, May 8th. If you would like to host a dinner group, please indicate that on your RSVP or contact Wanda Odom at wmodom@verizon.net for details. Childcare is available upon request.

Congregational Life (cont.)

St. John's Guitar Club

The next gathering of our new Guitar Club will be Wednesday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. Whether you are a beginner, an experienced player, or are just curious, this is open to all levels of ability. We just want to have fun, play together, and learn from each other. For questions, contact Brian Bouvier or John Senior.

Congregational Care

Vangie Jaggard died on Thursday after a brief hospitalization. Cards can be sent to:

Dwight Jaggard
829 Malin Rd
Newtown Square, PA 19073

Melanie Henricks was at Bryn Mawr Hospital this week. Cards can be sent to:

Melanie Henricks
1216 Huntsman Way
Chester Springs, PA 19425

Service

Coffee Drive for Great Valley Food Cupboard

We are accepting ground coffee or Keurig cups (decaf and caffeinated) for the Great Valley Food Cupboard. A collection box will be in Fellowship Hall.

Children & Youth

Subscribe to our Children & Youth Newsletter here:



Upcoming Children/Youth Activities:

Wednesdays in April: Youth Bible Study (6:30-8 p.m.) in the Youth Room

The Flick of the Wrist Painting event on April 26 has been cancelled.

Giving

One Great Hour of Sharing Offering

During the season of Easter, we are receiving the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. This offering benefits Presbyterian ministries working to end hunger and poverty, provide assistance after disaster strikes, nurture sustainable community development, and come alongside immigrants, migrants, and refugees.

You can give using the envelopes by the offering plates, or by scanning this QR code and selecting, "One Great Hour of Sharing" from the dropdown menu. To learn more, visit www.pcusa.org/oghs



Financial Update

The March financial update was delayed due to the hospitalization of our Treasurer. An update will be available soon.

Thank you for all the ways that you make the life and ministry of our church family possible!

Save the Date

May 16 Annual Progressive Dinner

May 17 Pop-Up Sunday School - We Believe

May 20-30 Devon Horse Show Fundraiser

June 14 Strawberry Festival

This Week in the Church Office

Any announcements for next week's bulletin or email must be sent to Annie by Noon on Wednesday.

Friday is Pastor Patrick and Pastor Ridgley's sabbath day, and the church office is closed on Saturday. If you email or call on those days, you will not get a response until they are back in the office.

If you have a pastoral emergency pertaining to a death, hospitalization, or crisis situation when the office is closed, please call 484-604-0499

Faith Formation

Women's Book Study – 2 Opportunities

The Sunday group meets at 8:15 a.m. in the Carriage House (except the first Sunday of each month). Next Sunday, they will be starting a new 5-week series entitled "Shall We Long Endure," based on a sermon series from Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City. We will listen to the sermons at the beginning of each class, followed by discussion. You can also listen to the sermons on the FAPC website at fapc.org. Contact Nancy Wolfe (nj.wolfe@verizon.net) for more information.

The Monday group will meet at 10:00 a.m., both in person and on Zoom. Contact Nancy Arico (nancy.arico@verizon.net) for more information.

Men's Group

Wednesday, April 22 at 7 a.m. in the Carriage House. Contact Pastor Patrick to get more information.

Lunch & Learn with Rev. Jed Koball - Tomorrow!

Join us tomorrow at 11:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for Lunch and Learn! We will hear from Rev. Jed Koball, one of our mission partners in the PCUSA doing ministry in Peru. He will be sharing about how the current PCUSA Mission Office restructure has affected the way we do ministry in Peru. You can still RSVP by today using the link in the weekly email.

Faith, the Brain, and Mental Well-Being - April 26

What does faith have to do with mental health? Can prayer actually change your brain? How can faith communities better promote mental and emotional well-being? Join us in the Carriage House after worship on April 26 from 11 a.m. to Noon to hear from Rev. Miriam Diephouse-McMillan. Miriam will share insights from her fourteen years as a chaplain at a state psychiatric hospital and highlight mental health research that affirms the value of faith and spiritual practices for our minds, bodies, and souls.

Pop-Up Sunday School - We Believe - May 17

Youth and Adults are invited to join us in the Carriage House after worship at 11:00 a.m. to discuss what we believe! This year our Confirmands have charged the congregation to do what they've been working on for the past year but especially in the past month—what is it that you believe? About God? About the Holy Spirit? About Jesus? There are worksheets to guide you in the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall (these will also be in the weekly email every week!) Please come having worked through these worksheets and a rough draft of your statement of faith so we can share together what we believe as an intergenerational church family!

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This Week at St. John's

Scan this QR Code for the complete church calendar:



Sunday, April 19 - Third Sunday of Easter

8:15 am Women's Book Group (Carriage House)

9:30 am Worship & Sunday School

11:00 am Implementation Team Meeting (Kean Room)

Monday, April 20

11:30 am Lunch & Learn w/ Jeff Koball (Fellowship Hall)

Tuesday, April 21

5:00 pm Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)

Wednesday, April 22

7:00 am Men's Group (Carriage House)

6:30 pm Youth Bible Study (Youth Room)

Thursday, April 23

5:00 pm Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)

6:00 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)

7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Saturday, April 25

10:00 am Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)

Sunday, April 26 - Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:15 am Women's Book Group (Carriage House)

9:30 am Worship & Sunday School

11:00 am Faith, the Brain, & Mental Wellbeing

St. John's Mission Statement

Reflecting God's unconditional love to all!

Core Values

Faith

We seek to grow in our faith and to recognize God's presence in our lives through scripture, worship, music, fellowship, study, and prayer.

Love

All people are welcome here. We are a caring, inclusive, intergenerational community, following Jesus Christ's example to love everyone, to be with one another in difficult times, and to share in each other's joys.

Service

We are passionate about helping those in need within our church family, in our local communities, across the country, and throughout the world. Led by the Holy Spirit, we are generous with our time, talents, and resources to bring hope to others in tangible, transformative ways.

Vision Statement

A spiritual home for the community where...

- everyone is welcomed with open hearts, showing each other grace in a complicated world
- people find belonging as they are known, valued, and loved
- together, we grow in our knowledge and love of God
- Jesus inspires us to serve others with compassion

