



*Easter Sunday at Unity Moravian  
Church  
April 17, 2022*

*Why do you look for the living among the dead? Jesus is not here, but has risen.  
Luke 24:5*

**News of the Church**

**Prelude**      *Praise to the Risen King*      arr. M. Ham  
Donna Shore, Organist

**The Silence of Easter Morning**

**Anthem**      *Alleluia!*      *Randall Thompson*  
Dave Blum, Music Director

**Call to Worship**

The Lord is risen!

***The Lord is risen indeed!***

Sing this aloud, proclaim it to the ends of the earth:

***The Lord has set his people free!***

**Hymn 358**      *Jesus Christ is Risen Today!*

**Gospel Account of the Resurrection**

**Liturgy for Easter Morning**

We believe in the one only God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who created all things by Jesus Christ, and was in Christ, reconciling the world to himself. We believe in God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has chosen us in Christ before the foundation of the world; who has rescued us from the power of darkness and has brought us into the kingdom of his beloved Son; who has blessed us in Christ with all spiritual blessings; who has made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints, having destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of God's will, to the praise of his glorious grace.

***This we truly believe.***

We thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and self-assured, and have revealed them to infants. Yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. Father, glorify your name.

***Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as 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.***

We believe in the only Son of God, by whom all things in heaven and on earth were created. We believe that he became flesh and lived among us, taking the form of a servant. Since we are flesh and blood, he himself became a human being. By the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit, he was conceived of the Virgin Mary. He was born of a woman; and, being found in human form, was in every respect tempted as we are, yet without sin. For he is the Lord, the Messenger of the covenant, in whom we delight. The Spirit of the Lord sent Jesus to proclaim the time of the Lord's favor. He spoke of what he knew and testified to what he had seen. To all who receive him, who believe in his name, he gives power to become children of God. We believe in Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day, he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in the same way as he was seen going into heaven.

TUNE: NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT (146 A)

Voice: The Spirit and the church  
"O come!" are now entreating;  
Choir: Let all who hear their voice  
"O come!" be loud repeating:  
All: Amen! Lord Jesus, come;  
We still wait faithfully.  
Soon, we implore you, come,  
Your glory let us see.

The Lord will descend from heaven with a shout of command, with the archangel's call, and with the sound of God's trumpet. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*This we truly believe. This is my Lord, who redeemed me, a lost and condemned human creature, from sin, from death, and from the power of the devil; not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood, and with his innocent suffering and dying. Christ has done this so that I may be his own, live in his kingdom, and serve him in eternal righteousness, innocence, and happiness, since he, being risen from the dead, lives and reigns forever and ever.*

Lord Jesus Christ, who came at the first in great humility as our Redeemer, grant, we pray, that when you come again in glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may be regarded worthy to stand before you.

*Hear us, gracious Lord and God.*

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who comes from the Father, and whom our Lord Jesus Christ sent, after he went away, to be with us forever; to comfort us as a mother comforts her children; to help us in our weakness and intercede for us with sighs too deep for words; to bear witness with our spirit that we are children of God and teach us to cry, "Abba, Father"; to pour God's love into our hearts and make our bodies God's holy temple; and to work in us the will of God, allotting gifts to each one individually, just as the Spirit chooses.

We believe that by our own reason and strength we cannot believe in Jesus Christ our Lord, or come to him; but that the Holy Spirit calls us through the gospel, enlightens us with gifts of grace, dedicates us to God, and preserves us in the true faith, just as the Spirit calls, gathers, enlightens, and dedicates to God the whole church on earth, which he keeps with Jesus Christ in the only true faith. In this Christian church God daily and completely forgives us and every believer all our sin.

*This we truly believe.*

Spirit of truth, direct our hearts to the love of God and to patient waiting for Christ. Establish us in the true faith, that we may abound in thanksgiving; and keep us as God's own until the day of redemption.

*To you be glory, with the Father, and with the Son. Amen.*

### **Moment with the Children**

#### **Invitation to Offering**

**Anthem** *He Is not Here!*

Russell Nagy

**Doxology**

**Message** (Rev. Scott Rainey, Pastor)

**Hymn 362** *Christ is Alive* (v. 1-2, 5)

**Recessional to God's Acre**      Recessional on "Thine Be the Glory"      (J. Correll)

The Lord is risen!

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TUNE: ELLACOMBE (151 R)

The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad:  
The passover of gladness, the passover of God.  
From death to life eternal, from sin to be set free,  
Our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth its song begin;  
The round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein;  
In grateful exaltation their notes let all things blend,  
For Christ the Lord has risen, our Joy that has no end.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By God's great mercy we are given new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

***Praise, honor, glory, and power to the One seated on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!***

Jesus was handed over to death for our sins.

***And was raised to life for our justification.***

Then what can separate us from the love of Christ? Can affliction or hardship? Can persecution, hunger, nakedness, peril, or sword?

***No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Christ, who loved us.***

For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,

***Nor powers, nor heights, nor depths, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

TUNE: DIADEMATA (595 C)

Christians, dismiss your fear;  
let hope and joy succeed;  
The joyful news with gladness hear,  
"The Lord is ris'n indeed!"  
The promise is fulfilled  
in Christ our only Head;  
Justice with mercy's reconciled,  
He lives who once was dead.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, it is for the Lord that we live; and if we die, it is for the Lord that we die.

***So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord, for Christ died, rose from death, and lives again in order to be Lord of the living and of the dead.***

We do not want you to be in any doubt about those who have died, or to grieve over them as others do who have no hope.

***For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.***

What we are saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God.

***Nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.***

What is sown as perishable,

***Is raised imperishable;***

What is sown in dishonor,

***Is raised in glory;***

What is sown in weakness,

***Is raised in power;***

What is sown a physical body,

***Is raised a spiritual body.***

Then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: Death has been swallowed up in victory.

***Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.***

Keep us in everlasting fellowship with those of our brothers and sisters who, since last Easter Day, have entered into the joy of their Lord, and with the whole Church Triumphant in heaven, and let us rest together in your presence from our labors.

***Hear us, gracious Lord and God.***

TUNE: LUX EOI (167 H)

Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;  
Sing to God a hymn of gladness,  
Sing to God a hymn of praise;  
He who on the cross a victim  
For the world's salvation bled,  
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If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are of the earth.

*For we have died, and our lives are hidden with Christ in God.*

God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

*Make us complete in everything good so that we may do your will, working among us all that is pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.*

TUNE: BECHLER (159 D)

Sing hallelujah, praise the Lord!  
Sing with a cheerful voice;  
Exalt our God with one accord,  
And in his name rejoice.  
Ne'er cease to sing, thou ransomed host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
Until in realms of endless light  
Your praises shall unite.

There we to all eternity  
Shall join the angelic lays,  
And sing in perfect harmony  
To God our Savior's praise;  
He hath redeemed us by his blood,  
And made us kings and priests to God;  
For us, for us, the Lamb was slain!  
Praise ye the Lord! Amen.

## Benediction

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## Calendar

### Monday, April 18

Church Office Closed

### Tuesday, April 19

9:30 AM, Unity Crafters

7:00 PM, Bible Study

### Saturday, April 23

9:00 AM, Unity Men

The beautiful geraniums that decorate the sanctuary this morning are

## Given by:

Anonymous

Phyllis & Dick Whittenton  
Frank & Nancy Wonsavage  
Scott & Katie Rainey  
Maynard & Becky Surratt  
Jennifer Walker  
Judy & Bob Johnson  
Phyllis & Dick Whittenton

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Ellen Sosack  
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Barbara Knouse  
Nancy Lutz Jackson  
Mary Conover  
Bob & Marcia Morell  
Frank & Nancy Wonsavage  
Maynard & Becky Surratt  
Sharon Dailey  
Dottie Sayers  
R & E Williamson  
Faye Johnson

## In Honor of:

Bob&Marcia Morrell, Arthur Perry, Donna Shore,  
Jennifer Walker, Ray & Janice Wilson  
Nancy Jackson's Birthday  
Our family, Kay Vance  
Sam & Kacie Rainey, Unity Moravian Church  
Children & Grandchildren, Unity Crafters  
Everyone at Unity Moravian Church  
Our children-Bobby, Susan, and Ron  
Whittenton Graves

## In Memory of:

Our parents & son, David  
Tim Norman  
Our parents  
Chris & Bill Davis and DW & Frances Stewart  
Her mother  
Gray Etchison, Sam & Rebecca Yancey, Don Matney  
Melvin Knouse & Franny Knouse  
Tony Lutz, Gray Jackson  
Lyle Conover  
Dolly Diehl  
Our parents  
Our parents, Sadie Taylor  
Jere Dailey  
Husband, Ed  
Polly Fishel (Lynn's aunt)  
Ricky Wall

Just a reminder to pick up your flowers after the service.  
The clear saucers will need to stay here.