

WELCOME in the NAME OF OUR RISEN LORD!

St. Peter's Lischey's UCC

A Resurrection Celebration

Sunday, April 4, 2021 - 8:00 & 10:30 AM

Prelude: (8 AM) Low in the Grave He Lay

Wondrous Love

(10:30 AM) My Lord, What a Morning

Easter Fantasy on "Palestrina"

Ritter

Landon

Wilson

Lorenz

Ringing of the Bell

Announcements

(10:30) Chime Choir - Easter Jubilee

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Call to Worship

L: This is the day the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

P: The stone is cast aside, and the mantle of darkness is cast away!

L: Be glad and rejoice! God has swallowed up death forever.

P: This is the day of salvation.

L: The Lord of light has come and reigns forever. Christ is risen!

P: Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia! Amen.

Music Interlude: In the Garden

Prayer of Confession...

L: When everything was dark and it seemed the sun would never shine again, God's love broke through. Let us offer God our confession:

ALL: Good and gracious God, we confess, when we think of Easter we think of a springtime holiday. We are more at home with bunnies and flowers than immortality and resurrection. We run from the empty grave instead of embracing the new life it offers. In this time with You, with one another, and in Your sanctuary, we ask your forgiveness and pray you will open our hearts to the power and presence of our risen Lord! Amen.

Assurance of Pardon:

L: God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

ALL: We rejoice in this day! Hope and love are ours! God has fulfilled His promise!

Thanks be to God for the gift of life eternal! Amen.

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Scripture: Mark 16: 1 - 8

Message: "Empty is Good"

The Apostles' Creed

ALL: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten 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.

Solo: *Thine Is the Glory* by Blaine Breeden

Sacrament of Holy Communion

L: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts!

P: We lift them up to the Lord!

L: We praise you, O God, for the triumph . . . we too may know the risen Christ with us in the breaking of bread.

P: Thanks be to you for giving us the victory!

Breaking of the Bread/Pouring of the Wine

The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Sharing the Elements

Prayer of Thanksgiving

ALL: We thank you God, for feeding us with the holy mysteries that assure us of your being at one with us. May the love and hope of our risen Lord radiate through our lives so that we may bear the good news to a waiting world. Amen.

Benediction

Postlude Triumphal March

Dubois

Recess Outside to Sing

Christ the Lord is Risen Today - Accompaniment by Don Carl

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia! Sons of men and angels say: Alleluia!

Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia! Sing, ye heav'ns and earth reply: Alleluia!

Love's redeeming work is done, Alleluia! Fought the fight, the battle won, Alleluia!

Death in vain forbids Him rise, Alleluia! Christ has opened Paradise, Alleluia!

Crown Him with Many Crowns - Accompaniment by Don Carl

**Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne:
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King Thru all eternity.**

**Crown Him the Lord of life; Who triumphed o'er the grave,
Who rose victorious to the strife For those He came to save.
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.**

St. Peter's Lischey's United Church of Christ
Weekly Announcements, Updates and Concerns
April 4, 2021

Easter Dedication: A Donation to the Memorial Fund has been placed...

In loving memory of Carrie Hawkins presented by her daughter and family.

Thank You . . .

to Crystal Freed and the Confirmation Class for their help with the Easter Egg hunt!

2021 Summer Camp Opportunities...

As you know, Penn Central Conference has closed Hartman Center, the UCC summer camp. In a spirit of ecumenism and desire to offer this experience to our youth and families, PCC has partnered with the Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pa. to offer summer camps at Kirchnewald (Lebanon) and Nawakwa (Biglerville). Brochures are available on the table in the overflow area or you can check the website: LutheranCamping.org/Kirchenwald.

Adult Sunday School...

Adult Sunday School will return live to the church beginning Palm Sunday, March 28th at 9:15 AM. We will meet in the lobby area by the offices. We will still practice social distancing and wear masks. If you haven't been with us for a while or have never joined us before, please consider joining in our Bible study talks! It's a great time of fellowship as we journey together to better understand the Bible and how it relates to God's people today!

Our last Zoom session will be on Sunday, Mar. 21st! Zoom will no longer be an option for Sunday School!

The Box People have been freed! Hallelujah!

Geraniums for Pentecost Order Information

The Worship and Music Committee has decided it's time to bring flowers and color back into the church! What better time than on Pentecost Sunday, May 23rd, when we also celebrate the confirmation of 4 of our young people! Let's make it a special day!

Potted red geraniums will be available to sponsor for honoring a loved one, or an occasion, or as a memorial to a loved one! That information will be printed and shared in the bulletin. They will be placed in the sanctuary on Pentecost Sunday, and since Memorial Day will be celebrated the following weekend, if you would like to share your geranium for that service also, it would be enjoyed yet again as we celebrate that service. The flowers will be attended to and watered during that week. Just be sure to pick up your flower/flowers after either service of your choice. And if you choose, you can make it special a third time! Some of you might not have the garden, or a spot to keep a geranium at your home. Not to worry...you could still sponsor a flower and leave it at church to be planted in the church flower beds where it will be enjoyed by everyone as we enter the sanctuary each Sunday throughout the summer! So there are several options to participate in this celebratory event! The cost will be \$4.50 for each geranium.

The flowers will be ordered from Miller's Plant Farm. The deadline for placing your order is Sunday, May 9th. Please pick up a marked envelope on the table in the overflow room and write your info on the enclosed form and return it with your money enclosed via the offering plate which is temporarily placed in the overflow room. If you are doing Zoom and not attending services, please mail your sponsorship info, # of plants, cost, and if you are gifting any to the church. Then call the office to make pick up arrangements.

Thank you for supporting this special event. If you have any questions, please contact Darlene Miner.

Caring Ministry Update . . .

Since the beginning of the year, at least 8 - 10 baskets of soup, applesauce, turkey pies, breads, and cookies have been delivered to members. Currently we are in need of replenishing our supply of applesauce and are requesting macaroni & cheese. Cookie dough is available in the freezer for someone to take home and bake for the baskets. Containers for soup are in the kitchen for you to use. Questions - speak to Nancy Cherry.

Harvest of Hope Food Pantry...

Check out the *Harvest of Hope Volunteer Schedule* in the overflow room, and see if there are some dates that fit your schedule to help out.

Upcoming Events at Lischey's Church...

Tuesday, April 6	4:15 PM	Harvest of Hope- Volunteer Hours
Thursday, April 8	6:30 PM	Chime Choir Rehearsal
Sunday, April 11	10:30 AM	Worship Service – in person and via Zoom

Upcoming Zoom Assistants...

April 4	Pat McKowen	April 25	Don Carl
April 11	Ryan McKowen	May 2	Joy Spangler
April 18	Toni & Abby O'Neal	May 9	Pat McKowen

Upcoming Counters

Monday, April 5, 2021	Joanne Hoffman	Sandy Lehman	Lois Nelson
Tuesday, April 13, 2021	Lisa Crisamore	Carol Brown	Sandy Lehman
Monday, April 19	Elvin Myers	Joanne Hoffman	Lois Nelson
Monday, April 26	Darlene Miner	Lois Nelson	Pat McKowen

Office Hours...

Pastor Cathy, Nancy Cherry, and Pat McKowen will be in the office Monday through Thursday. Doors will be locked for security; therefore, we ask that you call (717) 225-3932 to let us know you are coming. Staff will be there at the following times:

Tues/Thurs	1 PM - 3 PM	Nancy Cherry, Minister of Music
Mon/Wed	1 PM - 3 PM	Cathy Sherry, Pastor
Mon - Thurs	1 PM - 4 PM	Pat McKowen, Secretary

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE LAST SUNDAY (MARCH 14) WAS...

Attendance	(63 Sanctuary + 9 via zoom)
Current	\$9,056.00
Initial Offering	10.00
Building for Service	65.00
<u>OCWM</u>	<u>1,140.00</u>
TOTAL	10,271.00

Upcoming Birthdays (*designates Over 80)

March 28	Michael Neiderer	April 18	McKayla Linker	April 30	Kimberly Bolden
March 30	Tammy Wetzell	April 23	Carol Brown	May 01	Barbara Gardner
April 05	Thomas King	April 24	Elizabeth Luckenbaugh	May 04	Anna Foreman
April 10	Kari Hamme	April 26	Larry Spangler	May 09	Ryder Linker
April 16	Lillia Messersmith	April 27	Jaden Myers		



Pentecost Geraniums

Price: \$4.50

Deadline to order: May 9, 2021

Quantity _____ x \$4.50 each

= _____ **Total Enclosed**

In honor of: _____

In Memory of: _____

On the occasion of: _____

Presented by: _____

Donate _____ **geraniums to the church garden**



Memorial Fund Donation

If you would prefer to donate money to the Memorial Fund instead of purchasing a Pentecost geranium, please fill out the information below.

Donation Amount \$ _____

In Memory of: _____

Presented by: _____
