



– For I know that –

*my Redeemer
Lives*

Job 19:25

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SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Easter Sunday

April 20, 2025

10:00 AM

PRELUDE

"Alleluia! Christ Has Risen"

arr. Loree

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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THE GATHERING

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 65: 17-19

One: The Lord says, "I am about to create a new heavens and a new earth;"

ALL: THE FORMER THINGS SHALL NOT BE REMEMBERED OR COME TO MIND.

One: Be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating;

ALL: FOR I AM ABOUT TO CREATE JERUSALEM AS A JOY, AND ITS PEOPLE AS A DELIGHT.

One: I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;

ALL: NO MORE SHALL THE SOUND OF WEEPING BE HEARD IN IT, OR THE CRY OF DISTRESS.

*HYMN

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today!"

No. 123

CALL TO CONFESSION

Psalms 118: 19-21

One: Open for me the gates of righteousness;

ALL: I WILL ENTER THEM; I WILL OFFER THANKS TO THE LORD.

One: This is the gate of the Lord;

ALL: ONE WHO IS RIGHTEOUS MAY ENTER.

One: I will give thanks to the Lord, for the Lord has answered me

ALL: THE LORD HAS BECOME MY SALVATION.

Silent Reflection

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader Hear the Good News of the Gospel,

PEOPLE IN JESUS CHRIST, WE ARE FORGIVEN.

*GLORIA PATRI

No. 579

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 10: 34 - 43

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OFFERTORY

“Living Hope”

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* DOXOLOGY AND PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE WORD

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24: 1-12

SERMON

An Idle Tale

Reverend Mark Gaskill

PASTORAL PRAYER WITH THE LORD’S PRAYER

SENDING

*HYMN

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!”

No. 113

*BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

“Because He Lives”

Gaither/Boch

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader May the Grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

PEOPLE AND ALSO WITH YOU.

*Please stand if able.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Today we are also taking a special collection for One Great Hour of Sharing, which goes to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, The Presbyterian Hunger Program and the fund for the Self Development of People. One Great Hour of Sharing is collected by many denominations and unites millions of Christians worldwide in caring for those affected by natural disasters and systemic poverty. If you would like to make a donation to this worthy cause then please use the special envelope in your bulletin.

OPEN MIC NIGHT – APRIL 26

Our next Open Mic Night will be this Saturday, April 26, beginning at 7:00 PM. If you have a talent to share, or if you have a favorite poem or reading that inspires you, please join us and be a part of the evening. Even if you don't want to do any sharing, come and see what interesting and wonderful things others bring to the table. Please sign up in the narthex if you plan to participate in Open Mic Night.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR DEBRA KOEHLER

There will be a Celebration of Life service for Debra Koehler Saturday, May 3rd, visitation at 9AM and service at 10AM. A reception will follow the service.

**The Communion Team will need volunteers to help with the reception and volunteers to contribute food. If you are able to help, please sign-up in the narthex.

SAVE THE DATE FOR GSPC'S YARD SALE

****Please note the date has changed to 5/31****

GSPC is making plans for the Annual Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 31st** – so save all of those treasures for a Spring Yard Sale this year. Just like we have done the last couple of Yard Sales we will not be pricing items, we will be collecting money on a donation basis. We will be asking people to donate what they feel the items are worth. This will be an outdoor event, so if there is rain in the forecast we will cancel and hopefully be able to reschedule for another date in the spring.

FIRST READING: ACTS 10: 34 - 43

³⁴Then Peter began to speak to them: “I truly understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. ³⁷That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: ³⁸how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; ⁴⁰but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, ⁴¹not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴²He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

SECOND READING: LUKE 24: 1-12

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, ³but when they went in, they did not find the body. ⁴While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. ⁵The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, ⁷that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” ⁸Then they remembered his words, ⁹and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. ¹¹But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

“Living Hope”

How great the chasm that lay between us. How high the mountain I could not climb.

In desperation I turned to heaven and spoke Your name into the night. Then through the darkness Your loving kindness tore through the shadows of my soul.

The work is finished, the end is written. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Who could imagine so great a mercy? What heart could fathom such boundless grace?

The God of ages stepped down from glory to wear my sin and bear my shame.

The cross has spoken; I am forgiven. The King of kings calls me His own. Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever. Jesus Christ my living hope.

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free! Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!

You have broken every chain. There's salvation in Your name. Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Then came the morning that sealed the promise. Your buried body began to breathe.

Out of the silence, The Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me. Then came the morning that sealed the promise. Your buried body began to breathe.

Out of the silence, The Roaring Lion declared the grave has no claim on me. Jesus, Yours is the victory!

LILIES 2025

In Memory of:

*Judith Baldwin and
Krista Marting
Vivian
Steve Brandt
Anne Henry Call and
and William Henry
Family and Friends
Loved Ones
John and Beatrice Holmes
and Anne Creveling
My beloved wife, Peg,
George and Marge Kriebel
and Art and Mary Reinisch*

Provided by:

*Grover Baldwin
Bob Belcher
Sally Brandt
Jim and Jeremy Call
and Georgia Henry
Janice and Charlie Eargle
Alan and Rose Flora
John Holmes
Jim Kriebel
Jim Kriebel*

Thanksgiving for:

*James, Heather, Penny and Hazel
Jennah and Elysses
Family
The Blessing of Grandchildren*

Provided by:

*Jim Kriebel
Jim Kriebel
The Mandragos Family
Sandy and Paul Webb*

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Today's Volunteers: Greeter: Ken and Kay Winters; ***Ushers:*** John Holmes and
Loann Burian; ***Scripture Reader:*** Heather Kriebel

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TODAY

Worship Service at 10:00AM
Fellowship After Worship

THIS WEEK

Mon. (April 21): 10:30 AM – Crafters
Tues. (April 22): 9:30 AM – Women’s Bible Study
Sat. (April 26): 7:00 PM – Open Mic Night

COMING SOON

Celebration of Life Service for Debra Koehler – May 3rd
GSPC Spring Yard Sale – May 31st