

SHEPHERD OF THE GLADES LUTHERAN CHURCH

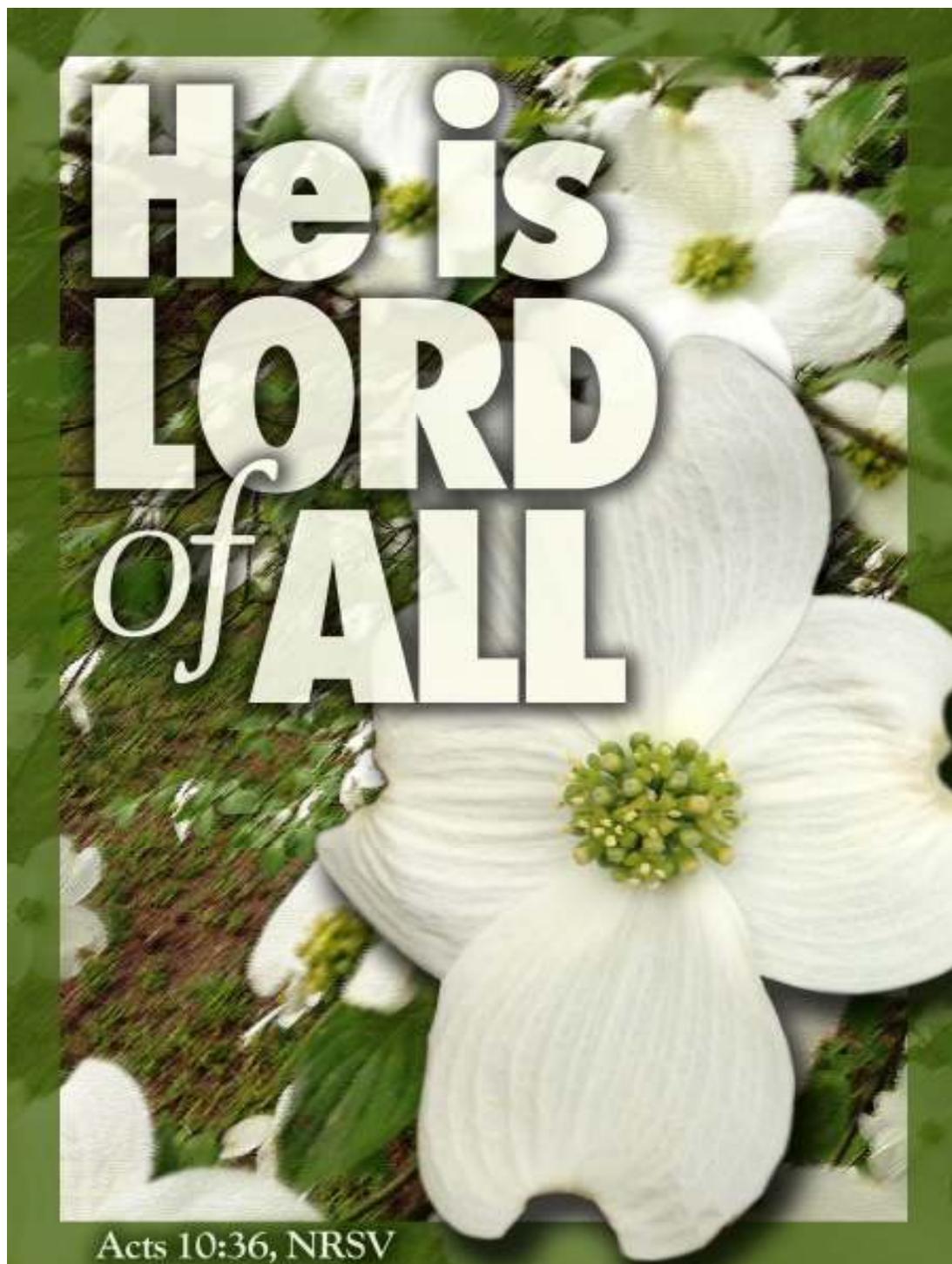
A Lutheran Community of Christian Believers - ELCA

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9:30 A.M. WORSHIP



**APRIL 12, 2020
EASTER SUNDAY**

All Are Welcome

Welcome to Easter at Shepherd of the Glades!

All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and to one another.

You are encouraged to participate in all that Shepherd of the Glades has to offer and to make Shepherd of the Glades your spiritual home.

If Shepherd of the Glades can be of service to you or if you would like Pastor Jeff to contact you, please let us know. The Office phone number and Pastor Jeff's cell phone number are on the cover of the bulletin.



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Easter Sunday - April 12, 2020

9:30 A.M. Worship—Setting 1

+ Indicates Please Stand

Bold Indicates Congregation Joins In

PRELUDE

Megan Cianflone, Piano; Cindy Quehl, Flute

+ GATHERING HYMN “Jesus Christ Is Risen Today” ELW 365

Megan Cianflone, Director of Music; Cindy Quehl, Flute

+ INVOCATION

P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

P Alleluia! Christ is risen.

C **Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!**

P Christ is risen!

C **Alleluia! He is risen, Alleluia!**

+ CONFESSION

All: God of the Resurrection, we come in the light of the Easter promise to confess simply that we have failed in myriad ways to be people of that promise. We have come to ask simply that you may dawn again in our souls, showing us every act and word of imperfection so that we may joyfully offer all our guilt to be consumed in the pure fire of your grace, and may rise with our Savior to a life which reveals your image in us. Amen

+ ABSOLUTION

P Lord God, we gather in the name of the Risen Christ to pour forth our praises in glad Easter Celebration. We rejoice that you have not left us without hope, but have come back to us in the victory of the Resurrection and given us the assurance of eternal life and the forgiveness of our sins with Jesus whom you lifted from the tomb. Praise be to your name, both now and forevermore.

C **Amen**

+ PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, you gave your only Son to suffer death on the cross for our redemption, and by his glorious resurrection you delivered us from the power of death. Make us die every day to sin, that we may live with him forever in the joy of the resurrection, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

+ **HYMN OF PRAISE** *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”* **ELW 855**

1. 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 through all eternity.
3. Crown him the Lord of love—behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.
5. Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

FIRST READING Acts 10:34-43

34Peter began to speak to [the people]: “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.”

A The Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 118: 1-2, 14-24 (*Sung responsively*)

¹Give thanks to the LORD, for the LORD is good;

God's mercy endures forever.

²Let Israel now declare,

"God's mercy endures forever."

¹⁴The LORD is my strength and my song,
and has become my salvation.

¹⁵**Shouts of rejoicing and salvation echo in the tents of the righteous:**

"The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁶The right hand of the LORD is exalted!

The right hand of the LORD acts valiantly!"

¹⁷**I shall not die, but live,**

and declare the works of the LORD.

¹⁸The LORD indeed punished me sorely,
but did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹**Open for me the gates of righteousness;**

I will enter them and give thanks to the LORD.

²⁰"This is the gate of the LORD;

here the righteous may enter."

²¹**I give thanks to you, for you have answered me**

and you have become my salvation.

²²The stone that the builders rejected

has become the chief cornerstone.

²³**By the LORD has this been done;**

it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴This is the day that the LORD has made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ²Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, ³for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

+ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION "Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing" ELW 389**

1. Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.

The cross stands empty to the sky.

Let streets and homes with praises ring.

Love, drowned in death, shall never die.

5. Christ is alive, and comes to bring

Good news to this and ev'ry age,

Till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy,

With justice, love, and praise.

The Holy Gospel according to: Matthew 28:1-10

C Glory to you , O Lord.

¹ After the sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid; I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON

Pastor Jeffrey Ungs

Text: Lessons for the day

+ **HYMN OF THE DAY** *“Thine Is the Glory”* ELW 376

1. Thine is the glory, risen, conqu’ring Son;
Endless is the vict’ry thou o’er death hast won! Angels in bright raiment rolled the
stone away,
Kept the folded grave-clothes where thy body lay.

Refrain:

Thine is the glory, risen, conqu’ring Son;
Endless is the vict’ry thou o’er death hast won!

3. No more we doubt thee, glorious Prince of life;
Life is naught without thee; aid us in our strife;
Make us more than conqu’rors, through thy deathless love;
Bring us safe through Jordan to thy home above. (Refrain)

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen, and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

+ THE PRAYERS

A God of resurrection, from the very beginning you give the church the gift of women as your witnesses: as preachers, teachers, and leaders. Open our ears to their proclamation this day and always. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A All your creation praises you—the earth hums, the seas pulse, the stars shine, and the galaxies whirl in glorious harmonies to honor you. Let us hear and blend our voices in the song. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A The countries of the world experience disunity and conflict; we set our minds on fear and greed rather than on your rule of justice and steadfast love. Build up all countries on your cornerstone of peace.

Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A We still weep with those who weep, and mourn with those who mourn. Cradle the fearful, the suffering, assuring them of your loving presence. Especially, Tim, Frances, Karen, Ron, Sue, Pauline & Huseyin, Micah, Karen and Jim. Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A Bless the creative and helpful service of worship leaders this day: musicians, ushers, greeters, worship assistants, preachers, readers, and all others who provide welcome and hospitality in our midst.

Lord, in your mercy,

C **Hear our prayer.**

A God of mercy, you are our resurrection. We give you thanks, oh God, for the celebration of birthdays and anniversaries within our faith community. Today we pray for Marilyn Barikmo, Gerald LaStella, Bill Johnson, Ken Sebe, Lester Larrabee, Leila Sellman, Beverly Smith, Gary Dieterichs, Vernon Rasmussen, Linda Salisbury, Irmagard Bjerken and Be Opperman. Also, we pray for Susan and James O'Neal as they celebrate their anniversary. Lord in your mercy.

C **Hear our prayer.**

A With bold confidence in your love, almighty God, we place all for whom we pray into your eternal care; through Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

+ **SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

P The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

C **And also with you.**

+ **OFFERTORY**

+ **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

A Let us pray.

C **Merciful God, our ordinary gifts seem small for such a celebration, but you make of them an abundance, just as you do with our lives. Feed us again for service in your name, in the strength of the risen Christ. Amen.**

COMMUNION BLESSING

P Life-giving God, you have fed us with your word, and our hearts burn within us. Now send us forth to share the gifts of Easter with all in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C **Amen.**

BLESSING

P May the One who brought forth Jesus from the dead raise you to new life, fill you with hope, and turn your mourning into dancing. Almighty God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

C **Amen.**

+ **SENDING HYMN** *“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today; Alleluia!”* **ELW 369**

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n today; Alleluia!
Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!
Offer praise with love replete, Alleluia!
At the paschal victim's feet. Alleluia!
2. For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia!
Sinless in the sinner's stead. Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
Now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!
3. Christ, the victim undefiled, Alleluia!
God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!
When contending death and life, Alleluia!
Met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!
4. Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia!
All your grateful homage pay, Alleluia!
Christ the Lord is ris'n on high; Alleluia!
Now he lives, no more to die, Alleluia!

+ **DISMISSAL**

P Christ is risen, just as he said. Go in peace. Share the good news. Alleluia!
C **Thanks be to God. Alleluia!**

POSTLUDE

Megan Cianflone, Piano; Cindy Quehl, Flute

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOSPITALIZATIONS

We have been informed that the local hospitals are no longer calling church offices to advise of the hospitalizations of parishioners. If you are hospitalized, please let the church office know so that we may keep you in our prayers and provide pastoral support.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

If you are interested in working with the Altar Guild, we would love to have you. This would involve preparing the altar for Sunday service, but time commitment is minimal. If interested, contact Barb Modjeska at 239-331-7823.

The Property Committee is looking for volunteers to help with repositioning furniture and light outside work. If interested, please contact Doug Walck at 716-930-4785.

OPPORTUNITIES TO GIVE

A member recently suggested, and Council approved, the establishment of a fund for the support of ELCA seminary students from SOTG. The fund is not a budget item but was established to receive contributions that individuals might like to make in support of students from SOTG who attend ELCA seminaries and colleges. There has been an initial contribution to this fund by a member and further contributions are welcomed. They should be designated for the Seminary Support Fund.

If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, Choice Dollars charitable grant funds can make a world of difference to Shepherd of the Glades. By directing Choice Dollars, eligible Thrivent members recommend where they feel Thrivent should distribute a portion of its charitable grant funds. Directing Choice Dollars is easy. Simply go to Thrivent.com/thriventchoice to learn more and fund program terms and conditions. Or call 800-847-4836 and say “Thrivent Choice” after the prompt. To reach our local office, please call David Contessa at 239-300-5139.

ATTENTION SOTG MEMBERS

This time of year, the largest number of dry and canned goods come in as members return to their homes up north. Please continue to drop your donations off at our Church and we will make the deliveries to St. Matthews and Friendship House.

Thank you,

**Paul and Ann Hashagen
Karen and Pete Peterson**

This week at Shepherd of the Glades:

The office will be closed until further notice.

Pastor Jeff is available in the office by appointment.

Easter Sunday, April 12, 2020, 9:30 a.m. Easter Sunday Worship with Pastor Jeff.

Worship will be live on line on Facebook, or you can access as soon as it is published on our website. See website for details. - www.sotgweb.org

Sunday, April 19, 2020, 9:30 a.m. worship with Pastor Jeff.

Worship will be live on line on Facebook, or you can access as soon as it is published on our website. See website for details. - www.sotgweb.org



EASTER LILY DEDICATIONS

The following people have donated lilies:

Hank & Leslie Ann Beers in memory of Lee and Annette Gjesdahl

Patricia & Roland Cumor to our 12th great – granddaughter, Alma Rose Cohen

**Patricia & Roland Cumor dedicated to loving mother, Elizabeth Marlene Grzywinski in loving memory of her husband, Ray Grzywinski
Marlene Grzywinski in loving memory of her sister, Elaine Schmidt
Marlene Grzywinski in loving memory of her sister, Jackie Orr
Connee Zeman in loving memory of Tony Zeman
Connee Zeman in memory of Carole Graesser
Connee Zeman in memory of Betty and George Craig
Connee Zeman dedicated for all prayers answered**



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