

**Come Hear the Reason we're Inspired to Serve Together**



He is not here; he has risen, just as he said."  
Matthew 28:5-6

Welcome to



**ST. JOHN'S  
CHRISTIAN  
CHURCH**

**“The Church on  
the Corner Whose  
Cornerstone is Christ”**

*We are a community of faith founded upon God's Holy Word, preaching salvation through believing in Christ as Savior. We seek to live in God's truth, being obedient to His Word and following in His ways.*

# EASTER MORNING! CHRIST IS RISEN!

Prelude

“Easter Song”

† Congregational Hymn – #216

“Christ Arose”

Easter Welcome, Scripture and Prayer

Psalms 118:14-24 (p. 606)

Easter Scriptures and Hymns

Scripture

Acts 2:24

*“But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.”*

† #217

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

† Scripture

1 Peter 1:3-5

*“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade – kept in heaven for you, who through faith are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.”*

† Insert

“Every Morning Is Easter Morning”

**Unison Prayer of Confession – *Risen Lord, as the powerful truth of your resurrection washes over us once more, we claim the times in life when we have doubted, like Thomas doubted; when we have even covered you up, like the guards did; when we have kept silent, like the disciples did, at first! On this day of hope and promise, renew us in your power! We praise you in making us new creations through your love and grace. In your mighty and glorious name we pray. Amen.***

**Unison Words of Assurance (1 John 2:12) – *Let us praise the Lord for the promise of forgiveness in the truth of scripture as John writes, “I write to you, dear children, because your sins are forgiven on account of his name.” We trust in this promise in the name of our resurrected Lord. Jesus Christ be praised. Amen.***

Children's Moment

#579, v. 1 “Jesus Loves Me”

An Easter Prayer and The Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Chancel Choir

“He Arose”

† The Apostles' Creed

Scripture Reading

Mark 16:1-20 (p. 1010)

Easter Message

“Believe It!”

† Hymn of Response – #215

“Alleluia! Alleluia!”

Worship of God with Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

“I’ve Just Seen Jesus”

Doxology and Unison Prayer of Dedication – *Wonderful, amazing God, we thank you that you have raised Jesus Christ from the dead, bringing us the promise of new life. With the dawning of this new day, may we awake to new opportunities to love and serve you, and witness to Christ whom you have raised. Use us, and our offerings, to your glory. In Jesus’ mighty name we pray. Amen.*

†Benediction

†Closing Hymn – #220

“He Lives”

†Postlude



## Welcome . . .

### Guests and Visitors

Welcome to our worship of God on this Easter Morning! Please take a moment to complete one of the info cards in the pew rack at each end of the pew and drop it in the offering plate once it is passed down the aisle in the service.

### Mother’s Room / Diaper Changing Station

We have a Mother’s Room located near our sanctuary – just ask an usher for its location. A diaper changing station is in our nursery room just down the hallway from our sanctuary.

**Children’s and Large Print Bulletins** are available on a table in the sanctuary narthex.

**Hearing Assistance** is provided through our loop system for hearing aids with a “t” switch position.

**Congregational Prayer:** Rabboni! Teacher! With Mary’s glorious news of your resurrection filling my heart and mind, I come before you this Easter, and in the days that follow, praising you with all glory, laud and honor! What wondrous news! In all humility, as I think of the doubts of Thomas and his words of “My Lord and my God” upon seeing you resurrected, I ask for your forgiveness when I have my own doubts. May the amazing and awesome news that the tomb was empty continue to echo in my mind in these coming days. I am truly grateful, and overwhelmed, by your endless love and compassion. Thank you, Father, thank you, Lord, thank you, Jesus, thank you, thank you. In Jesus’ name. Amen.

## Let’s Talk About It - This Week in Our Children’s and Youth Education:

**Faith Village:** We finished talking about the story of Jesus’ crucifixion, burial and resurrection, found in John 20. Thomas was not present when Jesus first appeared to the disciples, and he did not believe that Jesus was alive. He wanted proof. Is it hard for you to believe something if you do not see it for yourself? Do you think you would have been like Thomas and needed proof if you had been one of Jesus’ disciples?

**Archbold Fish Pantry Fundraiser:** If you like to eat chicken, or are interested in supporting the Fish Pantry, see Pastor Alex by Sunday April 8th to buy BBQ chicken from Brookview. The pre-purchased chicken will be available for pickup at the Fish Pantry (1309 S. Defiance Street) on Friday, April 20th from 3:30-6:00pm

# Every Morning Is Easter Morning

Words and Music by  
Richard Kinsey Avery  
and Donald Stuart Marsh

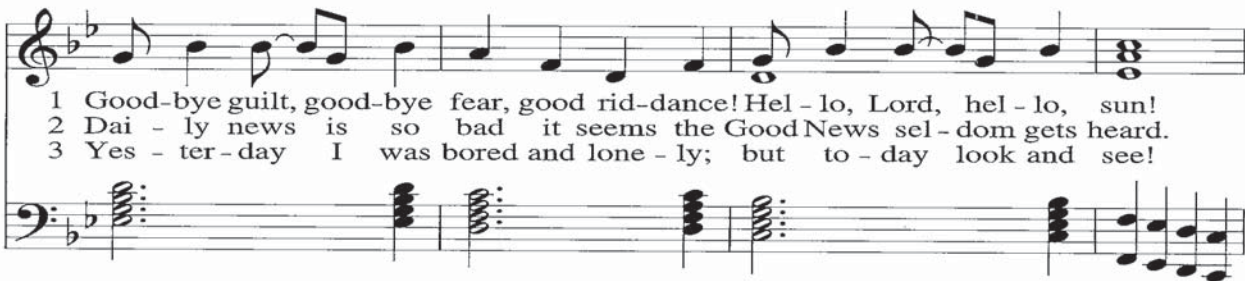
*Unison*



Ev-'ry morn-ing is Eas-ter morn-ing from now on!

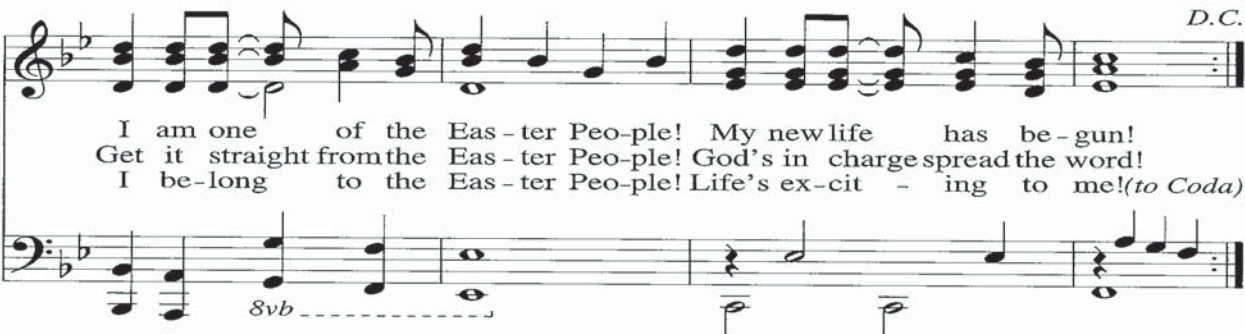


Ev-'ry day's re-sur - rec - tion day, the past is o - ver and gone!



1 Good-bye guilt, good-bye fear, good rid-dance! Hel - lo, Lord, hel - lo, sun!  
2 Dai - ly news is so bad it seems the Good News sel - dom gets heard.  
3 Yes - ter - day I was bored and lone - ly; but to - day look and see!

*D.C.*



I am one of the Eas - ter Peo - ple! My new life has be - gun!  
Get it straight from the Eas - ter Peo - ple! God's in charge spread the word!  
I be - long to the Eas - ter Peo - ple! Life's ex - cit - ing to me! *(to Coda)*

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# Easter Memorials

<b>Given By:</b> -----	<b>In Memory Of:</b>
Paul & Barb Sigg-----	Loved Ones
Arlene & Judy Grime-----	Junior Grime
Betsy & Jim Redd-----	Warren & Marvette Walter & Lois Redd
Karen, Kristi and Families-----	Parents - Roger & Buzz Zeigler
Brad & Susie Enderle-----	Mother - Ruth Schmucker
Velma Overmier-----	Loved Ones
Mert & Sue Kinsman-----	Loved Ones
Rosemary Schmidt-----	Arnd Schmidt



# Easter Flowers\*

<b>Given By:</b> -----	<b>In Honor Of:</b>
Jon & Jan Lindsay-----	Parents & Grandparents
Kelly Stahl-----	Gil & Carol Nafziger

<b>Given By:</b> -----	<b>In Memory Of:</b>
Connie Bostelman-----	Bob Bostelman
Norm, Ann, Alicia & Elizabeth-----	Son & Brother, Andrew Lloyd Fether
Norm, Ann, Alicia & Elizabeth-----	Loved Ones
Doug & Nancy Rupp-----	Loved Ones
Ed & Julie Ruffer-----	Vern & Ruth Anna Ruffer
Rod Kinsman Family-----	Judy Kinsman
Jean Stamm-----	Beth Wanemacher
Curt & Kay Stamm-----	Tara Stamm
Jay & Karla Pursel-----	Kaitlyn
Dale & Ann Grime-----	Loved Ones
Dave, Karen & "the boyz"-----	Joyce Warner
Dave, Karen & "the boyz"-----	Grandpa Mike
Erich & Lynne Christman-----	Parents
Kelly Stahl-----	Tom Stahl

\* Please pick your flowers up after 10:30 worship service. All flowers are labeled on the back.

## WEEK OF APRIL 1st AT ST. JOHN'S CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sun	7:00AM	Sunrise Service (Sanctuary)
	8:00AM	Easter Breakfast Hosted by SYF (Parish Hall)
	8:45AM	Easter Egg Hunt Hosted by JYF (Chapel)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Easter Worship Service (Sanctuary)
Mon	5:00PM	Ten-U Archbold Soccer Practice (Parish Hall)
Tues	9:15AM	Bible Study (Fireside Room)
	10:30AM	Pastors Meeting
	5:00PM	Community Meal at Zion
	7:00PM	Capital Campaign Committee (Fireside Room)
Wed	8:30AM	Moms in Prayer (Upstairs Classroom)
	5:50PM	LOGOS Meal (Parish Hall)
	6:45PM	JYF (Chapel)/Bells (Chancel)/Chimes (Choir Room)
	7:00PM	PHS Prayer Time (Pettisville H.S.)
	7:00PM	SYF (Youth Room)
Thurs	5:00PM	Ten-U Archbold Soccer Practice (Parish Hall)
	7:00PM	Mission Committee (Fireside Room)
Sat	8:00AM	Mindful Movement (Parish Hall)
Sun	8:00AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	9:15AM	Confirmation / Faith Village / Sunday School
	10:30AM	Worship Service (Sanctuary)
	6:00PM	Seekers (Kuntz's)
	6:00PM	Young Adult Ministry (Dan Stuckey's)

**Discovery Daily Devotional Guides** – The Apr/May/June Discovery Daily Bible Guides are available in the literature rack outside the church office (suggested donation \$6.00 each). You can access this guide online at <http://www.scriptureunion.org/Bible%20Reading/Discovery>. Below is the list of daily readings for this week:

April 2 - Encounter .....	John 20:11-18
April 3 - Locked Doors, Open Hearts .....	John 20:19-23
April 4 - Doubting Thomas?.....	John 20:24-31
April 5 - Breakfast Time.....	John 21:1-14
April 6 - After Breakfast .....	John 21:15-19
April 7 - Telling the Truth .....	John 21:20-25
April 8 - Tell It How It Is .....	Psalms 102

### ***April Mission-A-Month – Foods Resource Bank***

April gives us an opportunity to donate toward the planting, tending and harvesting of a local community growing project; the 15 acre field is located southeast of Stryker. At harvest time, the crop will be sold and the proceeds given to the Foods Resource Bank.

## Prayer Joys, Concerns, Requests - Please Pray For:

- Mary Zimmerman, with five radiation treatments yet to endure.
- Pauline Short, in hospice care at Fairlawn, room #113.
- Brenden Bostelman, stationed in Afghanistan (Grandson of Bill & Kathy).
- Taylor Collins, stationed in Bolling, DC (Granddaughter of Nan Neill).
- Kyle Ducey, stationed at Fort Gordon, Georgia (Son of Kelly & Betsy).
- Jared Kuntz, stationed in Guam (Son of Keith & Kelli).
- Eric Magg, stationed in Ketchikan, Alaska (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Donny Richardson, stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Son of Shannon & Yesi).
- Steve Schink, at the Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT (Son-in-Law of Ed & Julie Ruffer).
- AJ Short, stationed in Japan (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short).
- Kyle Stuckey, Killeen, Texas (Grandson of Nan Neill).
- Kollin Woolace, stationed in Camp Lejeune, North Carolina (Grandson of Larry & Melva).
- All our home bound and care center residents, and all our students.

## Today's Worship Servants

Acolytes	(7:00) Karsen Pursel	(10:30) Emily Walker
Ushers	(7:00) Brent Winzeler	
	(10:30) Scott & JoAnn Short, Ben & Sue Buehrer	
Nursery Staff	(10:30) Keith & Kelli Kuntz	(April 8) Lucas & Lindy Lantz
Sound Tech	(Both) James Grime	
Video Tech	(10:30) Dean Sauder	
Computer Tech	(Both) Brian Roth	
Song Leader	(Both) Elaine Winzeler	
Accompanist	(Both) Lynne Christman	
Bells	(Both) Dinah Rice, Karen Rice, Aimee Roth, Crissi Stuckey, Kim S. Walker	
Trumpets	(Both) Matt Hines, Callie Rohrs, Andrew Rohrs	

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