

Calendar of Events

Sunday, April 18, 2021

10:00 AM Sunday Worship in Person & Online

11:15 AM Staff Meeting in the Choir Room

Monday, April 19, 2021

5:00 PM OCC Crafting in the Youth Building

6:30 PM Cub Scouts in the Gym

7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop in the Education Building

Tuesday, April 20, 2021

9:30 AM MCLC Chapel

5:30 PM Trustees Meeting in the Choir Room

5:30 PM Daisy/Brownie/Junior Girl Scouts in Fellowship Hall

7:00 PM Boy Scouts Troop in the Youth Building

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

8:00 AM Facebook Live Devotional with Communion

10:00 AM Rosemary Cady Circle in the Conference Room

5:30 PM Praise Ensemble Practice in the Sanctuary

5:30 PM Children's Choir in the Choir Room

6:00 PM Children & Youth in the Conference Room

6:00 PM Cub/Boy Scouts in the Youth Building

Thursday, April 22, 2021

5:30 PM Cadette & Senior Girl Scouts in the Youth Building

Saturday, April 24, 2021

9:00 AM Girl Scouts: Daisy Flower Garden Journey in the Youth Building

Sunday, April 25, 2021

9:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Sunday Worship in Person & Online

11:15 AM Mission Team Meeting in the Choir Room

LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS

Ted Hammerschmidt
Howard Thorne
Friends & Family of Garland Hickman
(L. Schultz)
Velva Day
(P. Blanton)
Mary Ann Greer
(S. Chavez)
Erik Wiley
(S. Jones)
Eddy DeWitt
(L. Schultz)
Alydia Moore
(L. Schultz)
Gervis Bailey
(K. Bailey)
John Nelson
Anna Wiggins
Judy Barbay
(L. Schultz)
Cathy Lott
(D. & V. Allen)
Charlene Blevins
(B. Vaughn)
Friends & Family of Kristie Wright Fortin
(L. Schultz)
Chad Windborne
(J. Schwarze)
Alex Baker
(C. Scott)
Ruth Wells
(B. Vaughn)
Ronnie Cuevas
(M. Bailey)
Lydia Derouen
(D. & V. Allen)

Mary Scarborough
(M. Bailey)
Douglas "Art" Howell
(T. Craig)
Kayetha Wilson
Jimmy Hooks
Neely Biggs
(M. & P. Launey)
Friends & Family of Sheldon Glago
(J. Porter)
The Colvin Family
(A. & J. Carpenter)
Mike Harper
(C. Slover)
Kelley & Mark Allen
Shirley Kost
(L. Waughtal)
Cross Thomason
Frank Morales
(J. Bailey)
Angela Mallett
(J. Schwarze)
Friends & Family of Allen Penton
(M. Bailey)
Connie DeConte
(A. Carpenter)
Becky Akard
(P. Blanton)
Nephew of Ron & Linda Kern
Billy O'Neal
Ronnie Perkins
(C. White)
Andrew Palmer
(T. Craig)
Cathy Lay
(M. Brister)
Gaylynn Taylor
(M. Brister)

Hurricane Recovery Efforts, All Emergency Personnel, The Military, City of DeRidder, State of Louisiana, The United States of America, Our World, Our Enemies, Our Church, & Those Who Have Hurt Us

April 2021

Month of the
Military Child



"He Opens Our Minds"

Luke 24:36-49

April 18, 2021
3rd Sunday after Easter
Sunday Worship Online & in the Sanctuary
10:00 AM



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Our Mission is to Grow and Serve in Christ

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE
PRAISE
STAN PETHEL

WELCOME HOME!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

CHRIST IS ALIVE
BRIAN A. WREN

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Since then we have a great high priest
who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God,
**let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness,
so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE**

EASTER PEOPLE, RAISE YOUR VOICES

#304
WORDS BY WILLIAM M. JAMES
MUSIC BY WILLIAM H. DOANE
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1. Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring. Christ has brought us heaven's choices; heavenly music, let it ring. Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.
2. Fear of death can no more stop us from our pressing here below. For our Lord empowered us to triumph over every foe. Alleluia! Alleluia! On to victory now we go.
3. Every day to us is Easter, with its resurrection song. When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong. Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs.

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

We believe in the one God, creator and sustainer of all things, Father of all nations, the source of all goodness and beauty, all truth and love. We believe in Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, our teacher, example, and Redeemer, the Savior of the world. We believe in the Holy Spirit, God present with us for guidance, for comfort, and for strength. We believe in the forgiveness of sins, in the life of love and prayer, and in grace equal to every need. We believe in the Word of God contained in the Old and New Testaments as the sufficient rule both of faith and of practice. We believe in the church, those who are united in the living Lord for the purpose of worship and service. We believe in the reign of God as the divine will realized in human society, and in the family of God, where we are all brothers and sisters. We believe in the final triumph of righteousness and in the life everlasting. Amen.

SHARING OF OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

CALL TO PRAYER HYMN
TAKE MY LIFE, AND LET IT BE
#399, v. 1 & 3

WORDS AND WORDS BY FRANCES R. HAVERGAL
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1. Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days; let them flow in ceaseless praise. Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
3. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne. Take my love, my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure-store. Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING PRAYER & RETURN OF GOD'S TITHES & GIFTS

DISMISSAL FOR CHILDREN'S CHURCH

HYMN OF FAITH
NOW THE GREEN BLADE RISETH

#311
WORDS BY J.M.C. CRUM
MUSIC BY TRAD. FRENCH CAROL
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1. Now the green blade riseth, from the buried grain, wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been:

Refrain: Love is come again, like wheat that springeth green.

2. In the grave they laid him, Love who had been slain, thinking that he never would awake again, aid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: [Refrain]
3. Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain, Jesus who for three days in the grave had lain; quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen: [Refrain]
4. When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain, Jesus' touch can call us back to life again, fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: [Refrain]

SCRIPTURE READING

LUKE 24:36-49

SERMON
"HE OPENS OUR MINDS"

ANTHEM

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR / HE IS EXALTED
ARRANGED BY: STAN PETHEL

***HYMN OF INVITATION**

JUST AS I AM

#357, v. 1 & 2
WORDS BY CHARLOTTE ELLIOTT
MUSIC BY WILLIAM B. BRADBURY
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1. Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidst me come to thee.

Refrain: O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

2. Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark lot, to thee whose blood can cleanse each spot. [Refrain]

***BENEDICTION**

***SENDING FORTH**

BECAUSE HE LIVES
#364, v. 1&3

WORDS BY GLORIA AND WILLIAM J. GAITHER
MUSIC BY WILLIAM J. GAITHER
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1. God sent his Son, they called him Jesus; he came to love, heal, and forgive; he lived and died to buy my pardon, an empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.
3. And then one day I'll cross the river; I'll fight life's final war with pain; and then as death gives way to victory, I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know he reigns.

POSTLUDE

ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR / HE IS EXALTED
BY: LATIN HYMN TRANSLATED BY JOHN MASON NEALE