

Second Sunday of Easter

Sunday April 7, 2024

Theme: "I Am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." John 14:6

*PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD*

Anthem: "The King of Love My Shepherd Is" A. L. Page  
Bell Choir

Scripture: 1 John 1:1-5 and John 20:19-31

Sermon: "Unraveling Truth"

\*Hymn: #11 "Source and Sovereign, Rock and Cloud"

*GATHERING*

Prelude: "Russian Easter" Rimsky-Korsakov

Greeting and Welcome to Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: How shall we live without knowing the way to go?

People: **Drawn to God's unquenchable light and life-changing truth, we can find our way.**

Leader: What was hidden has been revealed; we no longer live in darkness and death no longer has the ultimate power.

People: **Therefore, we are on the path to life. Woven together with all Creation, we can receive this life with confidence.**

Leader: Let us worship the One who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

\*Hymn: #490 "Wash, O God, your Sons and Daughters" (with Bell Choir)

\*Prayer of the Day

**Holy One our God, make us glad this day with the weekly remembrance of the resurrection of your Son our Lord. Especially uplift us through your word and the fellowship of the church that together with our family, friends and neighbors through the Risen Christ we may be renewed. You have poured upon us the new light of his glorious Resurrection and bathed us in His radiance. Grant that this light, enkindled in our hearts, may shine forth in our lives to reflect your glory and our hope; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN**

*RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD*

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**God of the victory of life over death; on this glorious Easter Sunday, we rejoice in the enormous gift of the resurrection. Just as the women encountered the empty tomb and the angelic message of new life, we too encounter the living Christ in our hearts and lives. May our tithes and offerings be an affirmation of our search for the risen Christ, the one who challenges us to see beyond our own expectations. Bless our giving and help us discover the transformative power of the living Jesus in our lives. In the holy name of our risen Savior, we pray.  
AMEN**

Announcements and Sharing Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the People

\*Hymn: #246 "Christ Is Alive"

Charge to the People and Affirmation of Faith

Leader: Unlock the doors of fear and doubt. Let your faith spill into the streets! In restaurant and store! In classroom and hall! In office and home! In factory on farm! along highways and byways!

**People: Jesus is risen! Death has no more claims on our lives. In life, in death, Christ is our life. Christ is alive! Alleluia! He is risen indeed!! May peace be with us all! AMEN**

*Postlude:* "Low in the Grave He Lay" Lani Smith

The End of Worship  
The Beginning of Service

\*Those who wish may stand

Rev. James Shuler, Interim Pastor  
Mrs. Dianne Yuninger, Organist/Choir Director

### Prayers of the Congregation

**Prayer Family this week: David & Karen Homsher**

**The Sanctuary Flowers are in Loving Memory of Barbara Hostetter  
Given by Milt Hostetter**

Chancel choir will rehearse after worship.

PNC will meet tomorrow at 6 p.m.

April is the month for our **spring clothing drive**. Please bring any clean, gently used clothing and place it in the narthex. The Mission committee will see that it gets delivered to the Lancaster Clothing Bank. The drive ends the last Sunday in April.

The next **Community Meal** will be held on Thursday, April 25th from 5:30-6:30 in our Smith Fellowship Hall. The sign-up sheets are in the narthex for helpers to set up, cook, serve the food and clean up. Please sign up where you feel you would like to help. The meal will be Lasagna, Garlic and Plain Breads, Tossed Salad, Fruit Salad, and Desserts from Weis Markets. Everyone is welcome.

**Communion** will be celebrated next Sunday.

# Leacock Presbyterian Church

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