

Easter Sunday

April 12th, 2020



On the Sunday we celebrate our Lord's resurrection, the primary focus of the day is typically the Gospel, which is Mt 28:1–10 in Series A of the three-year lectionary. One of the unique aspects of Matthew's account of the resurrection is the earthquake that occurs just before the angel appears to roll away the stone. This shaking of the earth is certainly a testimony of the truth that all creation groans for the appearing of the sons of God (Rom 8:22–24), but at the same time it is an earthquake that continues to send aftershocks into the Church. Our First Reading for Easter Sunday is one such aftershock. The resurrection of Christ has broken the power of death but has also broken the division between Jews and Gentiles. "Everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name" (Acts 10:43).

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Equipping the family of God to joyfully and boldly make disciples of Christ as we

KNOW Jesus and one another, **GROW** to be more like Him and

SOW His love in Word and deed.



LIVE Stream Worship Service

Dale Scheiderer – Organist

Joy Heino – Trumpet

EASTER



SUNDAY

“Everyone Who Believes” - Acts 10:34-43

Have you noticed, for instance, all of the “departures” in the *Gospel* for this day? Jesus has departed from the tomb. The women are commanded to depart from there as well. And they are to tell the disciples to depart and go to Galilee (Mt 28:7), soon after which, we know, Jesus will also depart. It seems that everyone is leaving. The *Epistle*, in such a context, may suggest that departing is the only thing left to do. Since Christ has risen, we shouldn't even be thinking about this world anymore. Our minds should be set on the things above, where Christ is—and where our life is now hidden (Col 3:2–3)! It's only natural that we should long to be with Him. Why, then, are we still here? Acts 10 (as, in fact, all of Acts) provides an answer.

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELLS

HYMN OF INVOCATION

“Jesus Christ Is Risen Today”

LSB 457

INVOCATION

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 118:24; Matthew 28:7; Hebrews 2:7; Psalm 8:6, adapted

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

PRAYER OF THE DAY

[Bible readings found on page 8 of this worship program]

FIRST READING: *Acts 10:34-43*

SECOND READING: *Colossians 3:1-4*

HOLY GOSPEL: *Matthew 28:1-10*

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SERMON MESSAGE: **“Everyone Who Believes” - Acts 10:34-43**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS OF OUR TIME, TALENTS & TREASURES

“Lord, we are yours. This represents our heart, our attitude, our spirit, and our willingness to recognize and submit to you as our Lord.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

LSB 469

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NOTES AND NEWS

Current Notes & News Publication: During this time of "social distancing" due to the current health crisis, we want to continue to try and provide the most accurate information we can regarding St. John's Church & School and Community events. Therefore we will continue to publish the Notes & News as normal. If you have information you would like to share, please email Regina Bullerman, Church Secretary, at rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org by Tuesday at noon. Printed Notes & News can be picked up in the front entryway of the school building (where the offices are located), or you can refer to our church website at www.stjohnsmarysville.org.

Worship Service Information: Here at St. John's Marysville, we are cancelling all public worship services until the "all clear" is given from our state and local governments regarding the COVID - 19 virus. Please keep an eye out for our video online and audio opportunities for worship! Please phone your family and friends as well as those you work and play with for encouragement and wellness checks with the love of Christ in your voice. This Sunday we will post a 9am worship service through Facebook which will be viewable live or online at anytime after at: <https://www.facebook.com/jack.heino>

You can find a wonderful worship resource from our seminary in Ft. Wayne – this is the source of the DVD's we make for our local senior living centers: <https://worshipanew.org/>

The Lutheran Hour also has some great resources for devotions and small group: <https://www.lutheranhour.org/>

Our congregation also has a subscription to a wonderful resource – it is like Netflix for Bible Studies and Christian videos!! If you would like to have access to all this site has to offer please email Pastor Jack at jheino@stjohnsmarysville.org and he will send you an invite with a password to get full benefit: <https://www.rightnowmedia.org/Library/>

Prayer Requests: We will continue to update our prayer sheet and will post it on our website. If you have a prayer request, please let us know.

In the days and weeks to come, we will continue to seek ways to serve one another in Christ safely and proactively. If you have any needs or would like to help, please let the church and school office know.

Please feel free to contact: Pastor Jack - direct phone number: 937-240-3002, cell phone: 937-537-6222 or email: jhenio@sjsmarysville.org. Regina - direct phone number: 937-240-3004 or email: rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org. Rich Rausch - direct phone number: 937-240-3003 or email: r-rausch@sjsmarysville.org

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

St. John's Youth Confirmation

Rescheduled for Pentecost Sunday
May 31, 2020 at 9:00 am
(dependent on health crisis situation)

St. John's Confirmation Anniversary Celebration

Rescheduled for Reformation Sunday
October 25, 2020 at 9:00 am



Easter Lily Pickup: The lilies may be picked up after Easter in the front entryway of the school building (where the offices are located). Please contact **Charlotte Blumenschein at 937-644-4111 or email her at dudley@centurylink.net.**
Thank you for your support.

Comfort Quilt Workdays scheduled for April and May are cancelled.



Quarterly Voter's Assembly Meeting
Rescheduled for May 17, 2020 at
1:00 pm
(dependent on health crisis situation)

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

Welcome to St. John's. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray that you will encounter Christ, the Living Word, and in a new way experience His mercy and grace today. If you are a guest or visitor we hope we have the chance to say hello. If you would like to know more about our ministry, please speak with the person next to you, to the pastor, call the church office, or indicate when you sign the attendance form. **Sign in, please!** We ask all worshippers to sign in the attendance directory in order to let us know of your presence with us enabling us to take better care of you.

The Church Nursery: Parents are welcome to take children to the nursery and stay with them during any part of the worship services.

The Lutheran Hour is on the radio Sunday mornings at **7:00am on WLW (700 AM)**. Log on to www.lhm.org for more information and channels. Jim Vandre, LHM Ambassador.

St. John's Radio Program airs Sunday mornings at **8:30am** on local channel **WQTT (1270 AM & 98.7 FM)**.

Altar Flowers: The church is decorated today with Easter Lilies purchased in honor or in memory of loved ones listed on page 7 of today's Notes & News.

THE LORD'S WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S APRIL 12-19, 2020

We are reviewing events on a week to week basis.
At this time, ALL Church and School
activities are Cancelled.



THANK YOU NINA BOERGER! If you had a chance to read the Journal Tribune's "Union County Bicentennial Edition (1820-2020)", you enjoyed learning of the growth and development of the county over the past two hundred years.

Thanks to Nina Boerger's in-depth research, record reviews, and compilation of history, the story of our St. John's Lutheran Church was a highlight of the publication. Working in collaboration with reporter, Kayleen Petrovia, Nina shared the history of our church, it's members and the evolution of our ministry in the community through the years.

The photographs included in the timeline of Union County (part of the Church archives which Nina oversees), showed a glimpse of St. John's German Settlement life and its service to the greater community. Mrs. Boerger's contribution to this special Bicentennial edition provided readers to not only learn more of St. John's history, but the future opportunities to "Know, Grow, and Sow". "As a congregation, we have evolved to stay relevant in today's world. Hard work was always at the core of the values, along with faith, family and friends. We strive to continue to grow and be good neighbors. We have always wanted to be productive citizens, a positive influence and lead by example", she said. Thank you Nina for sharing our St. John's story, and communicating our mission to serve the Union County Community in the future!

ALL AGES SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 - 11:00 am

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CANCELLED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE**

Toddlers—School Preschool Room

3's - Kindergarten—Church Basement

1st - 6th Grades—Gathering together in the school open common area (near the school library) and split into classes from there.

7th & 8th Grade Youth Catechism Class—School Modulars

High School Youth "Cornerstone Discipleship"—Youth House

Women's Bible Study—School Loft

Adult Bible Study—Cafeteria: **Topic, "We the People: Citizens of Two Kingdoms."**

Adult Bible Study—Heritage House: **New Topic - Join us as we spend this Lenten and Easter season following Jesus to His ultimate act of obedience and sacrifice at the cross. We will be using a Ray Vander Laan resource titled, "The Path to the Cross."**

Adult Bible Study—Heritage House: **Week Study -**

Mon: No School Tues: No School

Wed: No School Thurs: No School Friday: No School

Thank you to LIAAIT: Thank you so very much for the beautiful job you all did on the wheel chair ramp you put on my porch. It is so much better for me. I say a prayer for all of you each time I use it. The front door is wonderful. It's nice not to have the wind blow in the house. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. God bless you and keep you safe. **Theresa Welker**

NOTES & NEWS ITEMS



TO OUR GOLDEN EAGLES!

We miss you all and pray that you are staying home and staying safe! It's no news that the coronavirus has impacted all of us and the list of gatherings, events and trips which have necessarily been cancelled continues to grow!

It saddened us to have to postpone our lunch and tour of the Tolles Career Center, but our hope is that this event will be rescheduled when things return to normal. Of course, we have missed our weekly Lenten services and suppers, and the profits from our April 1st supper would have helped to support this year's June 12th Military Salute featuring "The Singing Buckeyes". At this point, it is too early to say if we will be able to go forward with that event. We will keep you informed as we get news.

Unfortunately, our trip to Holland, Michigan for the Tulip Festival was cancelled when festival officials made the decision to cancel the entire event. We have been communicating with our tour director, Ike Reynolds, as he is working with the motels and festival event coordinators involved. He feels confident that the majority of our money will be refunded, but he asks our patience as this process may take some time.

OBERRAMMERGAU 2020 TRIP

Now for possibly the most disappointing news to those of you who have planned on traveling with us to Germany in September. The citizens of Oberammergau, Germany, along with the organizers of The Passion Play have made the difficult decision to cancel the entire event for this year and reschedule it for 2022. Again, our tour guide, Ike Reynolds, is working with Emerald Waterways and other tour providers regarding plans for rescheduling and/or refunds. Reynolds Travel will be in communication with you soon to inform you of your options.

As disappointing as it is to cancel our Golden Eagles events and travel activities, let us rejoice in the most important opportunity we all share together; to declare to the world this Easter (and everyday) that:

"HE IS RISEN.....HE IS RISEN INDEED! HALLELUJAH!"

Christ is risen and we celebrate His Victory over death!
May God Bless You and Keep you safe today and always!

Weekly Worship Bible Readings: For those of you who would like to study the Word ahead of the next weekends worship services, we are listing here in the N&N the Bible readings that Pastor Jack will be using.

April 19 - Old Testament: Acts 5:29-42, **Epistle:** 1 Peter 1:3-9, **Gospel:** John 20:19-31

Mobile Version of Online Giving: St. John's offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give by credit or debit card anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's Quick Response (QR) code reader! You may also go to stjohnsmarysville.org and click on the "Electronic Giving" button and follow the easy directions.



Worship attendance for 04/04 and 04/05: NONE AT THIS TIME

Congregational Tithe Fourth Quarter Mission Opportunities of Fiscal Year 2019-20



Ohio District LCMS - 50%,
Member Mission Outreach - 10%,
Food Pantries - 10%, International Fellowship
Center - 10%, Lutheran Women's Missionary
League (LWML) - 10%, Clothes Closet - 10%

'NOTES & NEWS' Items - Weekly Schedule: Please submit articles and announcements to Regina Bullerman, Church Secretary, by calling directly at 937-240-3004, dropping off articles to the office or emailing them to rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org, by **NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, AT NOON. Thank you.**

Assisted Hearing Devices:

Please speak to an usher to use one of these devices. If you would like to purchase one of your own, or contribute to the purchase of additional units, please see Pastor Jack.



MORE NOTES & NEWS ITEMS

LYF NEWS



Ever considered joining LYF on a mission trip?! LYF is looking for adults to join us on our upcoming mission trip this summer to Imperial, Pennsylvania. In Imperial, our group will provide home repairs at no cost for elderly, disabled, and disadvantaged people, all while sharing the light of Christ to those we meet! As an adult chaperone, you will be encouraging leadership within our youth while on the worksites, as well as growing in our faith and fellowship together through daily devotions and worship programs. We will be in Imperial from June 21-27. If you are interested, please reach out to Laura Zeiler at laurazeiler@gmail.com or 913-549-0057. It is guaranteed to be a fun-filled, fantastic week growing in Christ and our relationships with each other!



WALK4LIFE

You can still Walk4Life! Come join New Path Pregnancy Resource Centers in their Annual Walk4Life! We are coming TOGETHER FOR THE GOSPEL as two counties who love the message of LIFE!! We will walk on Saturday, May 2nd in Richwood (Richwood Lake Park – 4 Lynn St.).

Please visit our website (www.newpathprc.com) for more details and to register!



Where Two or Three Are Gathered in My Name I am among Them . . .

In Matthew 18, Jesus promises to be with us. That's one of the great miracles of Stephen Ministry. When a Stephen Minister meets one-to-one with his or her care receiver, Jesus is present too. He brings the power of His transforming love, and the peace, healing, and comfort that only God can give. If you would like more information on our Stephen Ministry, please call Doug Doellinger at 937-644-0576 or Linda Kosakowski at 614-506-6179.

E-Giving: Electronic giving provides you the opportunity to give every week of the year after setting it up just one time. Leave that checkbook at home! E-giving also provides a stable income for the church. In fact E-giving is so common no one will even look at you funny when you don't drop into the plate!

E-Giving allows consistent tithing throughout the year since most of us do not attend 100% of the Sundays in the year. You can decrease your weekly tithe but increase your annual contributions just by simply starting E-giving and giving each week of the year!

Are you E-Giving only and no longer want to receive envelopes? Call Regina in the Church office and let her know. You may still drop a check or a generic envelope with your name on it for envelope credit.

Using an internet browser:

- Go to stjohnsmarysville.org
- On the top of the page click on the giving link
- From here choose the E-Giving provider - Vanco Solutions link
- Choose Create profile

Now you will be able to set up regular and one time donations.

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- Log in or donate as a guest
- Securely and conveniently manage donations using Touch ID/Fingerprint, PIN or password

To give through the app, search your phone's app store for "GivePlus Church".

When setting up E-Giving please note that using a checking account is free and there is a 3% credit card fee that you can choose to pick up or not.

Please feel free to contact Adam or Joy with any questions, concerns or problems!

Adam Smith at treasurer@sjsmarysville.org or 614-296-0091 or Joy Ballard at joyrballard@gmail.com or 937-644-4344



EASTER LILY HONORS/MEMORIALS

EASTER 2020

In honor of:

Mya Balderson, for her Confirmation, by her sponsor Jacque Jobe
Marilyn Rausch, by the Rick Rausch family
Leona Blumenschein, by Stan & Denise Thiergartner & family
Anita Beckel, by John, Dee, & Joanna Junkans

In memory of:

Bob and Bernie Eickemeyer, by their family
Wm B. and Jean Rausch, and Margaret Crago, by Rick & Shirley Crago
Shade and Florence Watkins, by their family
My mother, Susan M. Blumenschein, by her daughter Skylynn Roberts
Lloyd O. Rausch, by the Rick Rausch family
Harold Blumenschein, and Patricia Blumenschein Landon, by Stan & Denise Thiergartner & family
Suzanne Kidwell, by Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Rausch
Our parents, Herman and Frieda Nicol, and Harry and Lydia Vollrath, by Ron & Eileen Vollrath
Ernest and Frances Kleiber, by their family
Norbert and Rosine Nicol, and Gary L. Nicol, by Rick & Karen Collier & family
Our loved ones, by John & Nancy Howard
Elena Dawn Junkans, by John, Dee, & Joanna Junkans
Our parents: Rev. Ervin Junkans, and Robert and Caroline Rausch, by John, Dee, and Joanna Junkans
My parents, Dick and Berneta Zacharias, by Kim Zacharias
My grandparents, Henry and Tillie Zacharias, and Ivan and Elzina McAdow, by Kim Zacharias
My sister, Sandy Howard, by Kim Zacharias
My aunt, Ann Zacharias, by Kim Zacharias

***To the Glory of God and in honor or memory of loved ones, 48 lilies have been purchased
by those listed above and the Ladies Aid to decorate the church for Easter.
The Flower Committee thanks everyone for their support.***



Today's Bible Readings

First Reading: Acts 10:34-43

The apostles experienced firsthand the miracle of the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and no news was better to share than the Good News of salvation.

³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Although fully God, Jesus humbled Himself as a servant and became obedient to a lowly death for the sake of our salvation. Because of this, no name is more powerful than the name of Jesus.

¹ Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 28:1-10

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-eighth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹ Now after the Sabbath, toward the dawn of the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And behold, there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ And for fear of him the guards trembled and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you." ⁸ So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ And behold, Jesus met them and said, "Greetings!" And they came up and 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, and there they will see me."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

