

St. Peter Lutheran Church, Deshler, Nebraska

Easter Sunday - April 12, 2020

Live Stream Service @ 9:45 a.m.



GRAPHIC EXPLANATION

Jesus is not here. He has risen!

EASTER PROCLAMATION

Pastor: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

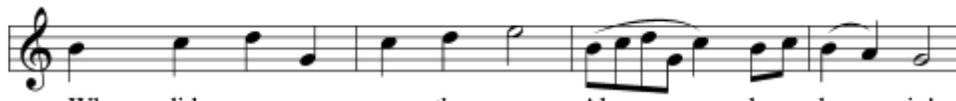
OPENING HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" **LSB 457**



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to-day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which He endured, Al - le - lu - ia!
△ 4 Sing we to our God a-bove, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
Un - to Christ, our heav'n - ly king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise e - ter - nal as His love; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
Who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
Now a - bove the sky He's king, Al - le - lu - ia!
Praise Him, all ye heav'n - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
Sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

INVOCATION

☩ In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

CONFESSION and ABSOLUTION

HYMN....."Christ Has Arisen, Alleluia!" **LSB 466**



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia.
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear!
 4 "Go spread the news: He's not in the grave;
 5 Christ has a - ris - en; He sets us free;



Re - joice and praise Him, al - le - lu - ia.
 Un - til its strength by God was dis - persed.
 You look for Je - sus who is not here.
 He has a - ris - en this world to save.
 Al - le - lu - ia, to Him prais - es be.



For our Re - deem - er burst from the tomb,
 He who gives life did death un - der - go;
 See for your - selves the tomb is all bare;
 Je - sus' re - deem - ing la - bors are done;
 Je - sus is liv - ing! Let us all sing;



E - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 And in its con - quest His might did show.
 On - ly the grave cloths are ly - ing there."
 E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
 He reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

Refrain



Let us sing praise to Him with end - less joy;



Death's fear - ful sting He has come to de - stroy.



Our sin for - giv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!



Je - sus is liv - ing, al - le - lu - ia!

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OLD TESTAMENT: EXODUS 14:10-15:1

¹⁰When Pharaoh drew near, the people of Israel lifted up their eyes, and behold, the Egyptians were marching after them, and they feared greatly. And the people of Israel cried out to the LORD. ¹¹They said to Moses, "Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us in bringing us out of Egypt? ¹²Is not this what we said to you in Egypt, 'Leave us alone that we may serve the Egyptians'? For it would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness." ¹³And Moses said to the people, "Fear not, stand firm, and see the salvation of the LORD, which he will work for you today. For the Egyptians whom you see today, you shall never see again. ¹⁴The LORD will fight for you, and you have only to be silent."

¹⁵The LORD said to Moses, "Why do you cry to me? Tell the people of Israel to go forward. ¹⁶Lift up your staff, and stretch out your hand over the sea and divide it, that the people of Israel may go through the sea on dry ground. ¹⁷And I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they shall go in after them, and I will get glory over Pharaoh and all his host, his chariots, and his horsemen. ¹⁸And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten glory over Pharaoh, his chariots, and his horsemen."

¹⁹Then the angel of God who was going before the host of Israel moved and went behind them, and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them, ²⁰coming between the host of Egypt and the host of Israel. And there was the cloud and the darkness. And it lit up the night without one coming near the other all night.

²¹Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the LORD drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night and made the sea dry land, and the waters were divided. ²²And the people of Israel went into the midst of the sea on dry ground, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. ²³The Egyptians pursued and went in after them into the midst of the sea, all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen. ²⁴And in the morning watch the LORD in the pillar of fire and of cloud looked down on the Egyptian forces and threw the Egyptian forces into a panic, ²⁵clogging their chariot wheels so that they drove heavily. And the Egyptians said, "Let us flee from before Israel, for the LORD fights for them against the Egyptians."

²⁶Then the LORD said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen." ²⁷So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and the sea returned to its normal course when the morning appeared. And as the Egyptians fled into it, the LORD threw the Egyptians into the midst of the sea. ²⁸The waters returned and covered the chariots and the horsemen; of all the host of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea, not one of them remained. ²⁹But the people of Israel walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters being a wall to them on their right hand and on their left.

³⁰Thus the LORD saved Israel that day from the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. ³¹Israel saw the great power that the LORD used against the Egyptians, so the people feared the LORD, and they believed in the LORD and in his servant Moses.

¹Then Moses and the people of Israel sang this song to the LORD, saying,

"I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;
the horse and his rider he has thrown into the sea."

EPISTLE: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 20:1-18



¹Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ²So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." ³So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going toward the tomb. ⁴Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. ⁵And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. ⁶Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, ⁷and the face cloth, which had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. ⁸Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; ⁹for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead. ¹⁰Then the disciples went back to their homes.

¹¹But Mary stood weeping outside the tomb, and as she wept she stooped to look into the tomb. ¹²And she saw two angels in white, sitting where the body of Jesus had lain, one at the head and one at the feet. ¹³They said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "They have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid him." ¹⁴Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus. ¹⁵Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing him to be the gardener, she said to him, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away." ¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Mary." She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabboni!" (which means Teacher). ¹⁷Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'" ¹⁸Mary Magdalene went and announced to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord"—and that he had said these things to her.

APOSTLES' CREED

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried.
He descended into hell.**

**The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ☩ everlasting. Amen.**



HYMN OF THE DAY "Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds" **LSB 465**

1 Now all the vault of heav'n re-sounds In
 2 E - ter - nal is the gift He brings, There -
 3 O fill us, Lord, with daunt - less love; Set
 Δ 4 A - dor - ing prais - es now we bring And
 praise of love that still a - bounds: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 fore our heart with rap - ture sings: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 heart and will on things a - bove That we con - quer
 with the heav'n - ly bless - ed sing: "Christ has tri - umphed!
 He is liv - ing!" Sing, choirs of an - gels, loud and
 He is liv - ing!" Now still He comes to give us
 through Your tri - umph; Grant grace suf - fi - cient for life's
 Al - le - lu - ia!" Be to the Fa - ther and our
 clear! Re - peat their song of glo - ry
 life And by His pres - ence stills all
 day That by our lives we tru - ly
 Lord, To Spir - it blest, most ho - ly
 here: "Christ has tri - umphed! Christ has tri - umphed!"
 strife. Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!
 say: "Christ has tri - umphed! He is liv - ing!"
 God, All the glo - ry, nev - er end - ing!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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EASTER MESSAGE

SPECIAL MUSIC "Jesus Messiah"
 Sung by Krista Harms

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

☑ Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. Amen.

EASTER PROCLAMATION

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People: **He is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

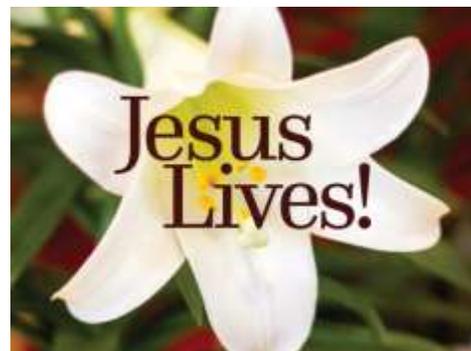
CLOSING HYMN "I Know That My Redeemer Lives" **LSB 461**



1 I know that my Re - deem - er lives; What com-fort
2 He lives tri - um - phant from the grave; He lives e -
3 He lives to bless me with His love; He lives to
4 He lives to grant me rich sup - ply; He lives to
this sweet sen - tence gives! He lives, He lives, who
ter - nal - ly to save; He lives all - glo - rious
plead for me a - bove; He lives my hun - gry
guide me with His eye; He lives to com - fort
once was dead; He lives, my ev - er - liv - ing head.
in the sky; He lives ex - alt - ed there on high.
soul to feed; He lives to help in time of need.
me when faint; He lives to hear my soul's com - plaint.

5. He lives to silence all my fears;
He lives to wipe away my tears;
He lives to calm my troubled heart;
He lives all blessings to impart.
6. He lives, my kind, wise, heav'nly friend;
He lives and loves me to the end;
He lives, and while He lives, I'll sing;
He lives, my Prophet, Priest, and King.
7. He lives and grants me daily breath;
He lives, and I shall conquer death;
He lives my mansion to prepare;
He lives to bring me safely there.
8. He lives, all glory to His name!
He lives, my Jesus, still the same;
Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives:
I know that my Redeemer lives!

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Prayer Page - Easter Sunday - April 12, 2020

Thanksgiving:

Blakely Rae Bohling, (daughter of Aaron & Kinsey Bohling) baptized in a private baptism April 4, 2020...

For **Brett & Jessica (Betten) Brown and their family**:

For peace, patience & protection as they wait to get their adopted daughter, Ruby, from China...

Ongoing health concerns:

Larry McLaughlin (brother of Carol Sorge); **Chase Laaker** (battling seizures); **Cammie (Cahill) Freitag**; **Allen Schardt**; **Edna Moll**; **Doug Grupe**; **Kathy Iqou** (Patty Mueller's aunt); **Kylie Noojin** (daughter-in-law of John & Tammy); **Lynn Eitzman** (battling cancer); **Larry Plock**, **Rose Plock** (recovering from surgery); **Whitney Watson** (breast cancer - Rod & Cindy's daughter-in-law); **Aaron Fiet** (Dale Endorf's brother-in-law); **Robin Sedlachek**; **Marlene Weideman**; **Donna Genung**; **Bridget Schnuelle** (daughter of Brenda Betten)...

Birthdays this week: **Caroll Genzmer, Nicole Zucker, Harvey Sorge, Joyce Schmidt, Lauren Schmidt, Haylyn Mackey, Holden Ruhnke**...

Baptismal birthdays this week: **Skylar Horse Chief, Haley Horse Chief, Chase Laaker, Todd Voss, Brianna Bohling, Cassie Wilbeck, Tami Finke, Rowen Sedlachek, Marlene Weideman, Sara Kresser**...

Wedding anniversaries this week...

Prayer request from our missionaries, Rev. Dale and Suzanne Kaster:

Pray that the Holy Spirit would open up hearts to the Gospel in the Czech Republic

- That God use **each of us** at St. Peter to encourage one another and to love those we come into contact with...
- For **Deshler Lutheran School**: That our staff, families, and congregation would focus on "JOY:FULLY SHARING JESUS!"...
- For our **missionaries**: The hundreds of men and women serving overseas bearing witness, showing mercy and living life together in and by our Lord, Jesus Christ, with others around the world...
- For our country; **President Donald Trump**; all leaders; our service men and women; Chaplains; for peace, guidance & safety in our land...
- *Our members in service*: **Joseph Dunlap**...
- *Relatives/friends in service or active service*: **Jacob Noojin**; **Mark & Suzanne Baden** (children of Marvin & Sharon); **Eric Carbo**; **Peter Magnus** (nephew of John & Tammy Noojin); **Brent McCoy**; **Robert Mueller** (nephew of Gene Mueller); **Brandon Lee** (nephew of Galen & Melissa Sasse); **Isaac Ralston** (grandson of Virgil & Lola); **Brian Loontjer**; **TJ & Emily Wiebe** (brother & sister-in-law of Jocelyn Berggren)...
- For **Hope Pregnancy Center**: That God would bless this ministry as it reaches out to families in our local area and defends life...
- For our members in assisted living, nursing home & care centers:
Edna Moll, *Parkview Haven, Deshler*; **Mary Loontjer**, *Meadowlark Heights, Deshler*; **Larry Schardt**, *Blue Valley Care Home, Hebron*; **Sandra Meyer**, *Region 5 Group Homes, Hebron*; **Roger Finke**, *Lakeview Assisted Living, Firth*; **Nick Bartling**, *Life Care Center of Elkhorn, Omaha*...

Prayer Page for Faith Lutheran, Hebron

Health Issues:

Marla Braithwait
Cammie Frietag
Pastor Richard Gudgel

Birthdays:

Allison Tietjen - April 12
Brad Elting - April 15

Announcements - Easter - April 12, 2020

| OFFERINGS | Received | Needed Weekly | Year to Date |
|-------------------------------|----------|---------------|--------------|
| General Fund | 8,155.00 | 6,350.52 | 74,018.61 |
| General Fund - Direct Deposit | 475.00 | | 9,650.00 |
| General Fund - Online Giving | 5.00 | | 5.00 |
| NE District/Missions | 50.00 | | 1,060.00 |
| Special Mission (Kasters) | | | 270.00 |
| Thrivent Choice Dollars | | | 895.00 |

Congregation Response During COVID-19

1. All daily and weekly church activities will continue to be canceled until further notice.
2. Sunday morning worship will continue to be held online only. We will continue to live stream the full service at 9:45 a.m. via St Peter's Facebook page and YouTube channel. As always, the services will be available via DVD. The full bulletin for the service is available on our Facebook and YouTube pages as well as our website. If you need assistance accessing any of these options, please contact Shamlynn Francik.
3. Pastor Brian will do a live stream Bible Study on Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m.
4. We will live stream our Maundy Thursday service on Thursday, April 9th at 7:00 p.m. and our Good Friday Tenebrae service on Friday, April 10th at 7:00 pm.
5. Weekly offerings may continue to be mailed to, or dropped off at the church. **You now have the opportunity to give online using a debit or credit card. You can click on the "Give" tab on our website and then click on "Click to Give" and there will be a giving form to fill out.** Contact Pastor Brian if you have questions about this or about where or how to drop off your offering. You are encouraged to consider utilizing the auto-deposit option for giving. Sign up forms are available and can be mailed or emailed to you, if requested.
6. Please make sure Pastor Brian has your current email address so that he can send you the weekly devotional message. If there are people you know who would like to receive the weekly message, forward it on to them or let Pastor Brian know their email address.
7. RightNow media is a free and available source for daily devotional and family Bible study material. Contact Pastor Brian to sign up if you have not already received an email link to enroll.
8. If you need pastoral care during this time, please contact Pastor Brian on his cell phone.
9. DLS is closed for the rest of the school year.

**If you have questions, please call Pastor Brian or an Elder.
We will give another update by Monday, April 13.**

We know this continues to be a difficult and disappointing time. We know this is going to be a very different Holy Week and Easter celebration this year. It is important for us to keep everyone safe and follow the guidelines that have been put in place. No matter what happens, there is hope in Jesus. Jesus is still alive and is ruling and reigning. We continue to look to Christ for our strength and peace and hope, not only in these uncertain times, but always.

Memory Verse of the Week

"For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,"

(1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

WEEKLY DEVOTIONAL MESSAGE - Email your request to Pastor Brian if you would like to receive by email weekly devotions based on the Memory Verse of the Week.

DESHLER LUTHERAN SCHOOL INFO

- Governor Ricketts has issued a Health Directed Measure extending the COVID-19 school closure in Nebraska until May 31.
- Deshler Lutheran School students will not return to "normal in-school education" during the 19-20 school year.
- Remote Learning continues. DLS "Drive-Through" on Wednesdays 4:30-5:30 p.m. for families A-K, 5:30-6:30 p.m. for families L-Z. Return completed work, folders/envelopes and library books.

Direct Deposit Information

Automatic withdrawal is available as a way to give your offerings here at St. Peter. Signup forms are available in the Narthex, or if requested can be mailed or emailed to you. If you have any questions, please contact our treasurer, Sara Kresser, at 402-984-2453 or fourleafclover9@hotmail.com

Giving Online Information

You may now have the opportunity to give online using a debit or credit card. You can click on the "Give" tab on our website, www.stpeterdeshler.org, then click on "Click to Give" and there will be a form to fill out.

TEXT ALERTS - If you would like to be put on a text alert list in regard to church notices, please email Pastor Brian the following information: **Name**, **Cell Phone Number** (include area code), **Cell Phone Carrier** (e.g. Verizon, US Cellular). Pastor's email is pastorbfrancik@gmail.com

ARE YOU ON FACEBOOK? - Check out the St. Peter and Deshler Lutheran School Facebook pages, like, and follow them to get updates on your feed. We are continuing to find ways to encourage the body of Christ in the technology world.

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX - 2020 phone/mailling address directories, *My Devotions*, *Portals of Prayer*, Text Alert Signup Sheets, Spring 2020 *LifeDate*, etc.

BEST CHOICE UPC'S - You can help Deshler Lutheran School earn free money by clipping the UPC labels from Best Choice products. Clip now and save the labels for collection in December.

ARE YOU UP-TO-DATE ON CONTACTS? - As there were changes in 2019 to some of our contact information, please check to make sure you are up-to-date: Office email - stpeterdeshler@gmail.com; Pastor cell phone - 402-710-6679; Pastor email - pastorbfrancik@gmail.com

Faith Lutheran, Hebron Announcement

THANK YOU to all that have completed Spring Cleaning at Faith!



Parkview Haven Nursing Home and Meadowlark Heights Assisted Living are running short on some supplies needed to keep their residents safe and healthy. It is becoming increasingly difficult for them to order what they need.

They need: Clorox wipes Antiseptic spray cleaner (such as Lysol, etc.)
Hand sanitizer Safety goggles

Any of these items that could be donated would be very much appreciated. Every bottle helps! We know that these items are in short supply for you and your family as well. If you would be willing to donate any of these items, please drop them off in the coat room at St. Peter. As supplies come in, daily deliveries can be made.

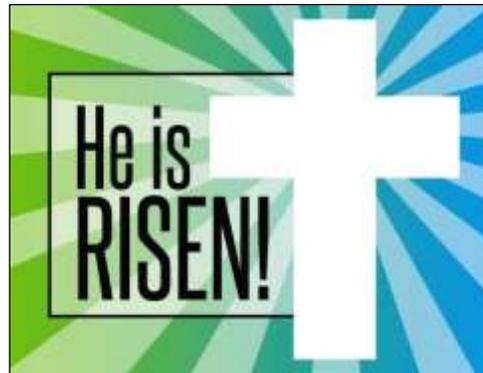
There is also a need for surgical masks that can have a filter inserted. We are asking members that sew if they would be willing to make washable masks out of cotton fabric. By Design/Sew Bee It in Hebron has mask kits that they will hand out for free. The pattern is also available on their website. Call Miranda at 402-365-7237 for more information.

SERVING AT ST. PETER - April 12, 2020

PastorBrian Francik
Organist.....Joyce Schmidt
Sound.....Steve Harms
Screen.....Amber Deepe
Video.....Jon Peters
Live stream.....Shamlynn Francik

ST. PETER CALENDAR

Sunday, April 12 9:45 AM Live Stream Easter Festival Service
Monday, April 13 Next Update on Congregation Response During COVID-19
Tuesday, April 14 7:00 PM Live Stream Bible Study
Friday, April 17 Pastor's Day Off



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