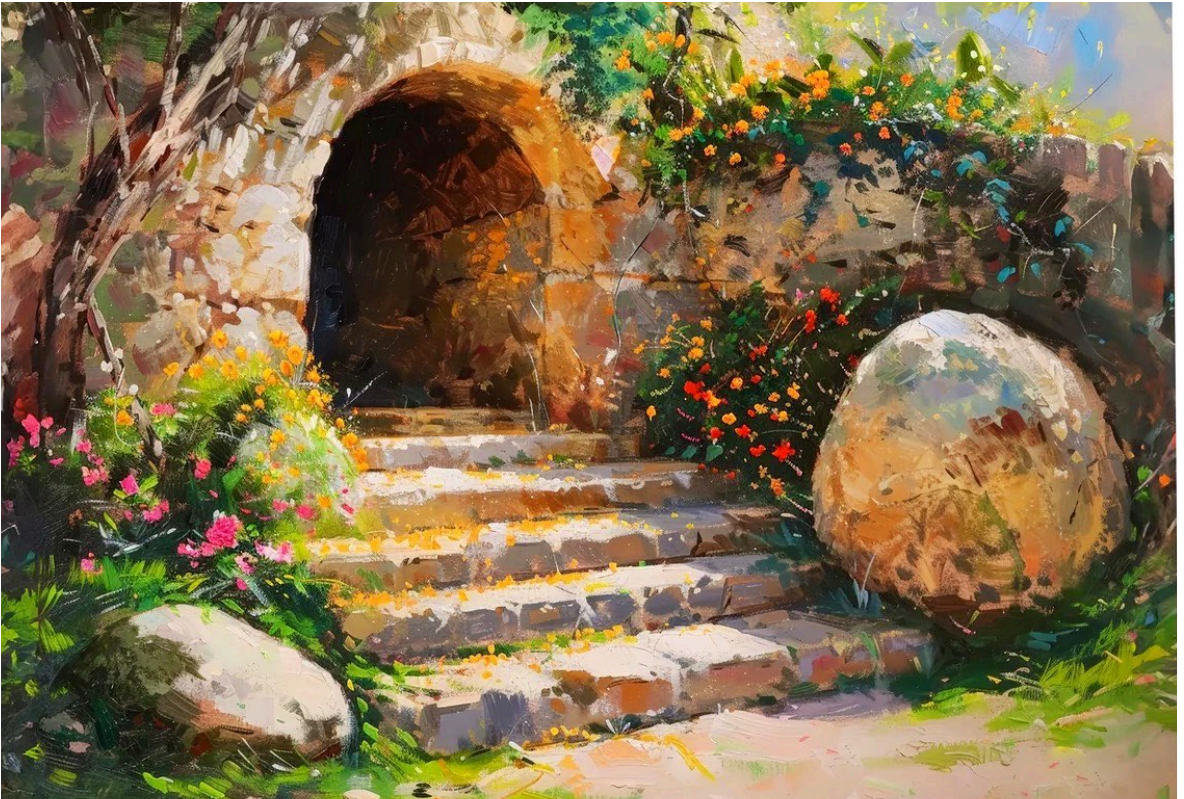


Unity. Liberty. Love. Serve.



The Empty Tomb (Chris Brazelton)

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 12TH, 2026



CONGREGATIONAL WATCHWORD FOR 2026

“For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all, training us to renounce impiety and worldly passions, and in the present age to live lives that are self-controlled, upright, and godly.” (Titus 2:11-12)

We welcome all members and guests to our service today, and we are glad that you have joined us for worship at Calvary!

SERVING IN WORSHIP

The Rev. Dr. Nola Reed Knouse, *Preaching*

Amanda Schumpert, *Director of Music*

Mary Louise Kapp Peeples, *Organist*

Alexander Stultz, *Violinist*

Elaine Palmore *Lay Reader*

Brian Lott, *Band Director*

The Calvary Chancel Choir

The Calvary Band

Robert Middleton, Elaine Palmore, & Bobby Stewart, *Ushers*

Josephine Rose & Mary Douglas Mendenhall, *Nursery Attendants*

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the Glory of God and in the memory of Dot, Powell, and Rich Watts by Tom Watts and Joyce.

Nursery is available for all children infant through Pre-K.

Children Kindergarten through 2nd grade may leave for Godly Play after the children's moment. For those children remaining in the sanctuary, New to the Pew bags can be found up front filled with fun activities to help them in worship. All children are welcome!

Christians, Dismiss Your Fear

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1 Chris - tians, dis - miss your fear, let hope and joy suc - ceed;
 2 The Lord is ris'n a - gain, who on the cross did bleed;
 3 He has him - self the keys of death, the grave, and hell;

the joy - ful news with glad - ness hear: "The Lord is ris'n in - deed!"
 he lives to die no more, a - men, the Lord is ris'n in - deed!
 his is the vic - to - ry and praise, and he rules all things well;

The prom - ise is ful - filled in Christ our on - ly Head;
 He tru - ly tast - ed death to give us hope a - gain,
 death now no more I dread, but cheer - ful close my eyes;

now jus - tice, mer - cy, rec - on - ciled, he lives who once was dead.
 in bit - ter pangs re - signed his breath, but now has ris'n. A - men!
 death is a sleep, the grave a bed; with Je - sus I shall rise.

TEXT: St. 1 Joseph Hart (1762); st. 2,3 John Cennick (1754), alt.
 TUNE: George Job Elvey (1868)

S.M.D.
 DIADEMATA [595 C]

EASTER

(Standing)

The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Sing this aloud, proclaim it to the ends of the earth:

The Lord has set his people free.

ELLACOMBE (151 R)

The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin;

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin to be set free,
in grate - ful ex - ul - ta - tion their notes let all things blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our Joy that has no end.

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By God's great mercy we are given new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Praise, honor, glory, and power to the One seated on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!

Jesus was handed over to death for our sins,

And was raised to life for our justification.

Then what can separate us from the love of Christ? Can affliction or hardship? Can persecution, hunger, nakedness, peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Christ, who loved us.

For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor powers, nor heights, nor depths, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

DIADEMATA (595 C)

Chris - tians, dis - miss your fear, let hope and joy suc - ceed;

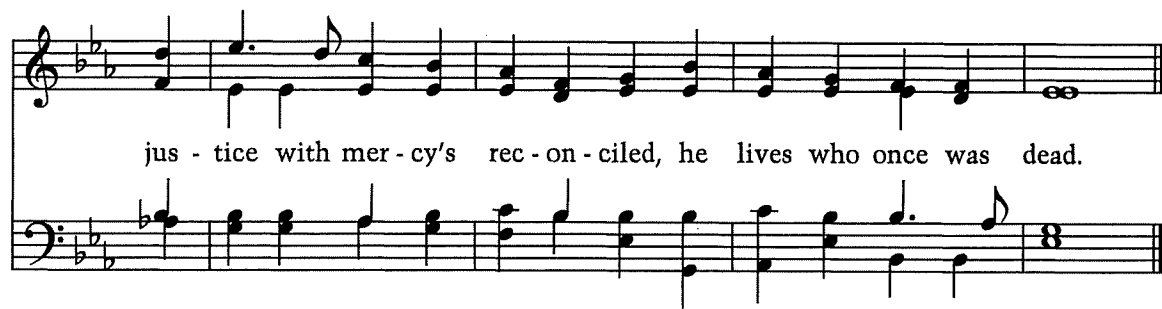
The first system of musical notation for the hymn 'Diademata'. It consists of a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff, both in 4/4 time and B-flat major. The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Chris - tians, dis - miss your fear, let hope and joy suc - ceed;'.

the joy - ful news with glad - ness hear, "The Lord is ris'n in - deed!"

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble clef, and the bass line continues in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'the joy - ful news with glad - ness hear, "The Lord is ris'n in - deed!"'.

The prom - ise is ful - filled in Christ our on - ly Head;

The third system of musical notation. The melody concludes in the treble clef, and the bass line concludes in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'The prom - ise is ful - filled in Christ our on - ly Head;'.



(Sitting)

We have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, it is for the Lord that we live; and if we die, it is for the Lord that we die.

So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord, for Christ died, rose from death, and lives again in order to be Lord of the living and of the dead.

We do not want you to be in any doubt about those who have died, or to grieve over them as others do who have no hope.

For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.

What we are saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God.

Nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

What is sown as perishable,

Is raised imperishable;

What is sown in dishonor,

Is raised in glory;

What is sown in weakness,

Is raised in power;

What is sown a physical body,

Is raised a spiritual body.

Then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: Death has been swallowed up in victory.

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

(Standing)

LUX EOI (167 H)

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise;

sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;

he, who on the cross a vic - tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled,

Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are of the earth.

For we have died, and our lives are hidden with Christ in God.

EASTER

God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

Make us complete in everything good so that we may do your will, working among us all that is pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BECHLER (159 D)

Sing hal - le - lu - jah, praise the Lord! Sing with a cheer - ful voice,
There we to all e - ter - ni - ty shall join th'an - gel - ic lays

ex - alt our God with one ac - cord, and in his name re - joice.
and sing in per - fect har - mo - ny to God our Sav - ior's praise;

Ne'er cease to sing, O ran - sored host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
he has re - deemed us by his blood, and made us kings and priests to God;

un - til in realms of end - less light your prais - es shall u - nite.
for us, for us, the Lamb was slain! Praise ye the Lord! A - men.

713 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight

1 We walk by faith and — not by sight; no
 2 We may not touch his — hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our — un - be - lief; and
 4 that, when our life of — faith is done, in

gra - cious words we hear from — Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where he trod; yet — in his prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to — call on you when
 realms of clear - er light we — may be - hold you

none e'er spoke, but we be - lieve him near.
 we re - joice, and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found:
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

GATHERING IN UNITY

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK (1 PETER 1:3)

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**** Please stand as you are able.***

TRINITY CHIME

ORGAN PRELUDE

Christ Lay in Death's Bonds — J.S. Bach

WELCOME

PROCLAIMING GOD'S LOVE

*HYMN #356

Christians, Dismiss Your Fear — DIADEMATA

*LITURGY FOR EASTER

Pg. 90-92, Moravian Book of Worship

OFFERTORY

The Strife is O'er — GELOBT SEI GOTT

*DOXOLOGY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
O praise him, O praise him,
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

EPISTLE: ACTS 2:14A, 22-32

*GOSPEL: JOHN 20:19-31

The Word of God for the People of God
Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

I Am Jesus' Little Lamb — WEIL ICH JESU SCHÄFLEIN BIN

I am Jesus' little lamb, ever glad at heart I am;
For my Shepherd gently guides me,
knows my need and well provides me,
loves me ev'ry day the same,
even calls me by my name.

QUIET MEDITATION & PRAYER

HYMN #713

We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight — DUNLAP'S CREEK

SERMON

BEST. NEWS. EVER.

SENDING TO SERVE

***LITURGY FOR EASTER**

Pg. 92-94, Moravian Book of Worship

***BENEDICTION**

ORGAN POSTLUDE

O Lamb of God — J.S. Bach

TRINITY CHIME

PRAYER REQUESTS

Eddie Johnson; Camilla Williams; Bernard Williams; Misty Hayes and family; Rameth McKnight; Ursula Pierce; Steven Nixa; Gary Willis; Lily Shaw; Patrick Biggam; Lynn Biggam; Tommy & Nancy McKoon; Scott & Elaine Peddycord; Judi Chandler; George Tasedan; Sandra Shugart; Bill & Mary Hampton; Haley and Zelda Covert, Richard Hughes, and their family; George Hege; Linda Neighbors; Denise Williams; Lisa Hampton; Karen Stewart; Holly and Barry Broadstreet; Ellen Steadman (sister of Jane Sofley); William Hughes; Ramona Prestwood; Romaine Poindexter; Joeann Settle; Joel C. Lineback; Patsy Lineback; Virginia Segar; Dallas Prestwood; Jean Fordham; John Pearson; Johnnie & Mary Anna Pearson; Greg Biggam; the family of Noelle Nichols; Emily Cheek

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

FACING DEATH AS A CHRISTIAN: MAY 3RD WORKSHOP

On Sunday, May 3rd, following worship, we will have a lunch and workshop. In this one-hour presentation and conversation, we will explore what we can learn from the Bible about death. How is death viewed in scripture, and how can we, as Christians, prepare for and face our own death? What have we to look forward to, when the body declines and dies? Come and reflect with brothers and sisters, knowing that God always accompanies us on every journey – even this one! Sign up to attend at forms.gle/o47QTYYeE7aMvYeq5 or by calling the church office. Questions? Contact Pastor Nola (nola@calvarymoravian.org).

BREW YOUR FAITH

On April 14th at 6 PM, Zach Routh will be leading our monthly Brew Your Faith meeting. It is held at Lot 63 in Old Salem (614 S Main St). We hope to see you there for fellowship!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

Mid-Week Adult Bible Study is on Wednesday evenings at 6 PM in the Burke Conference Room. We will meet in person and via Zoom so all are welcome! The Zoom meeting link is us02web.zoom.us/j/84879938980

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY AND OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP

Our Wednesday morning women's Bible study meets from 10-11:30 AM in the Burke Room. We will resume meeting Wednesday April 15th for a study of Galatians by Jada Edwards, "Galatians, accepted and free." It is not necessary to attend every week. Feel free to attend when you can and bring a friend if you'd like. This study is available via Zoom as well using this link us02web.zoom.us/j/87629578107?pwd=RjMk6W3M9wN9dpBk7QUUNUyhh0qXpNC.1 (Password 453527 if needed) For any questions, you can contact Bette Peterson (321-403-1707 or bettepeterson@icloud.com)

OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITY & PRAYER

Virtual prayer meetings will be offered on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, at 9:00 AM via Zoom. The next meeting will be Tuesday, April 14th. This Zoom prayer time will last about 15 minutes, and gives us an additional opportunity to check in and share the people and things that we hold in our hearts. The link to join the meeting is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81364100880>

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 17th, we will observe our Graduate Recognition Day. On this special day of worship, we will be acknowledging all those who have completed the major milestone of graduation from high school, college, or graduate school. By May 8th, please email Jacob (jacob@calvarymoravian.org) and let us know of anyone in your family who will be graduating from high school, college, or graduate school. This will give us the opportunity to announce graduate information in our church publications, including the bulletin and our newsletters. In addition to the names of graduates, please provide school/college information, graduation date, and any future plans for the students following graduation. We look forward to acknowledging and congratulating all our graduates!

BREAKFAST BUNCH

April 21st, 9 AM at Carriage House. Please contact Pat George (336) 971-3429 or Linda Smith (336) 978-6082 to RSVP.

UPCOMING COMMITTEE MEETINGS

April 16th, 3:45 PM - Music & Worship Committee Meeting

April 27th, 6:30 PM - Joint Board, Elders, & Trustees Meetings

Sunday Mornings at Calvary Moravian

9 AM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
9:45 AM	Nursery (Infant-PreK) — 2nd floor Children's Wing Early Elementary (K-2nd) — 2nd floor Children's Wing Elementary (3rd-5th) — 2nd floor Children's Wing Youth (6th-12th grades) — 3rd floor youth room Friendship Adult Class — 1st Floor Diener Room
10:30 AM	Adult Chancel Choir Rehearsal
11 AM	Worship

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