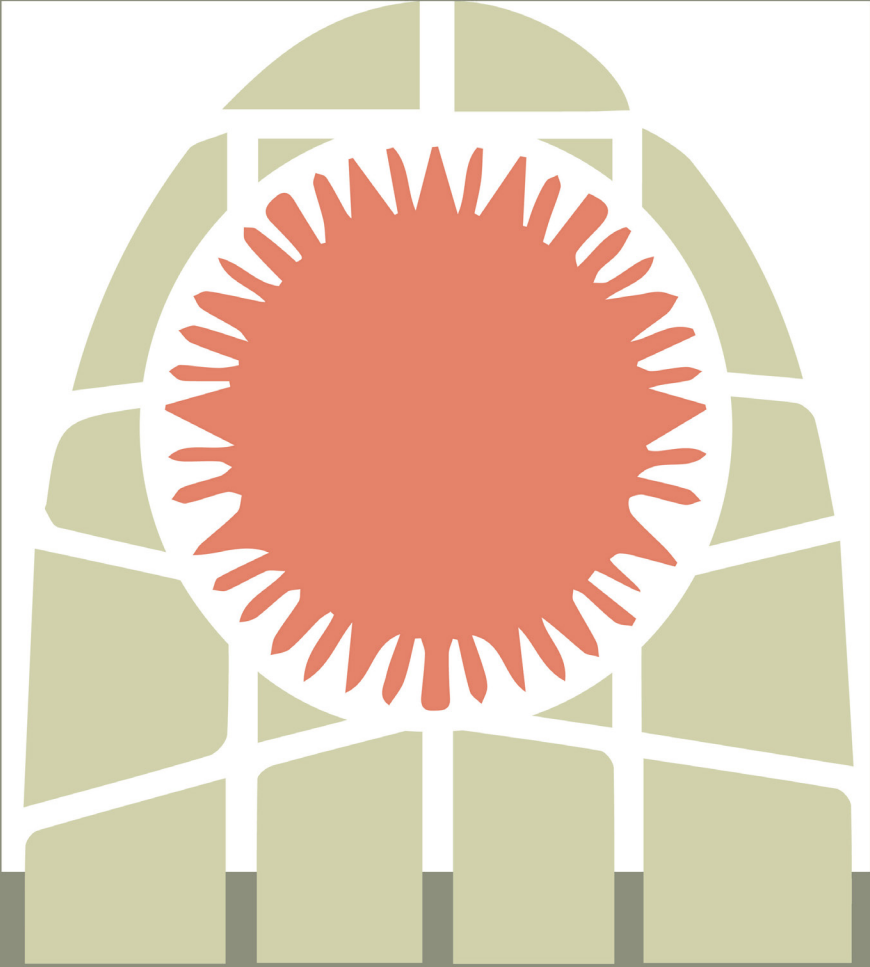


EASTER *Sunday*



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PRELUDE

Prelude No. 6, Op. 9
Hermann Schroeder
Sunwoo Lee, Organ

INTROIT

Come Into His Presence (519)
Chancel Choir, Brian Ward, Director

* PROCESSIONAL HYMN 259

Christ Is Alive!

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jeff Hunter and Libby Piotrowski

* CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118:19-24

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

Open to me the gates of righteousness that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.

We will give you thanks, for you have answered us; you have become our salvation.

The stone that the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice and be glad in it.

* INVOCATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER 887 (Using *sims*)

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Risen Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CHORAL ANTHEM

An Easter Celebration

Craig Courtney

Carol Olfelt and Brandon Viliunas, Trumpets

The congregation will be invited to stand and sing hymn selection 258,

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today, as part of this anthem.

READING OF THE SCRIPTURES

Mary Chase-Ziolek, Reader

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 25:6-9

Epistle Reading

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

* Gospel Reading

Mark 16:1-8

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

* Sung Response 246, verses 1 and 3

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

WORD FOR THE CHILDREN

* HYMN 251

Easter Song

MESSAGE

Libby Piotrowski and Jeff Hunter

* CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Christ Is Risen

Matt Maher, Mia Fieldes

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Thankyou Music (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

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Upside Down Under (Admin. by Essential Music Publishing LLC)

Led by Jeff Hunter, Anders Johnson,
Sunwoo Lee, Brian Ward, and Ryan Wendt

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

GIVING OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Invitation to Generosity

The Trustees will come around at this time to receive physical offerings.

Giving online at any time is also an option at www.npcovenant.org/give.

Offertory

Erschienen ist der herrliche Tag, BWV 629

(The Day of Splendor Has Appeared)

J.S. Bach

He Lives!

* Responsive Hymn 253, verse 3

* Prayer of Dedication

* CLOSING HYMN 243

Thine Is the Glory

Those wishing to sing the Hallelujah chorus with the choir may make their way forward during the hymn to stand in the choir loft and on the front platform.

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Hallelujah

from *Messiah*

G.F. Handel

** Please rise, in body or in spirit.*

If you have prayer requests to be shared confidentially with the pastors, there is a prayer box located in the narthex, as well as slips of paper and a pen in the box's drawer for your use.

Christ Is Alive!

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - 'ry age; till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

Traditional

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

258

1 Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day,
 2 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 Love's re - deem - ing work is done,
 4 Soar we now where Christ has led,

All cre - a - tion joins to say:
 Where, O death, is now your sting?
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fol - l'wing our ex - alt - ed Head,

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,
 Dy - ing once he all does save,
 Death in vain for - bids him rise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Made like him, like him we rise,

Sing, O heav'ns, and earth re - ply:
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave?
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise, Al - le - lu - ia!
 Ours the cross, the grave, the skies,

Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks

246

Refrain (in unison) F Dm Gm C

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le -

F Dm Gm C ⊕ *Last time*

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, give praise to his name.

F/A Stanzas F Dm B♭ C F

1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth; he is the
2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth: Je - sus has
3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ; now we shall
4 God has pro - claimed the just re - ward: life for all
5 Come, let us praise the liv - ing God, joy - ful - ly

Dm Gm7 C D.C. ⊕ F *Last time*

King of cre - a - tion. name.
died and has ris - en.
live for - ev - er.
peo - ple, al - le - lu - ia.
sing to our Sav - ior.

Easter Song

Hear the bells ring - ing, they're sing - ing that we can be born a -

gain. Hear the bells ring - ing, they're

sing - ing, "Christ is ris - en from the dead."

The an - gel up - on the tomb - stone said, "He is ris - en,

just as he said. Quick - ly now, go tell his dis - ci - ples that Je - sus

EASTER: RESURRECTION

Gm/F EbM7 Eb Eb Bb/D Cm Cm/Bb Ab

Christ is no long-er dead! Joy to the world, he is ris -

Eb Ab Eb Bb F Bb F Eb

en, al - le - lu - ia, he's ris - en, al - le - lu - ia, he's ris -

Bb Eb Bb Eb

en, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ Is Risen

Matt Maher and Mia Fieldes



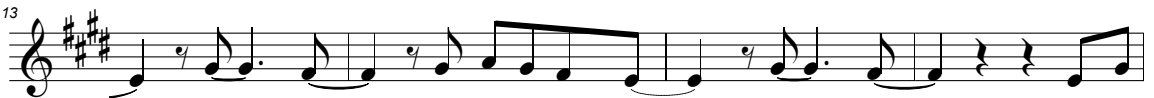
Let no
Be - neath



one caught in sin re - main in - side the lie of in - ward shame; we fix
the weight of all our sin; You bowed to none but heav - en's will. No scheme



oureyes u - pon the cross andrun to Him who showed great love andbled
of hell, no scof - fer's crown. No bur - den great can hold You down. In strength



for us. Free - ly You've bled for us. Christ is
You reign. For - e - ver let Your church pro - claim.



ris - en from the dead, tramp - ling o - ver death by death. Come a - wake, come a - wake. Come and



rise up from the grave. Christ is ris - en from the dead. We are one with Him a - gain. Come a -



wake, come a - wake. Come and rise up from the grave.

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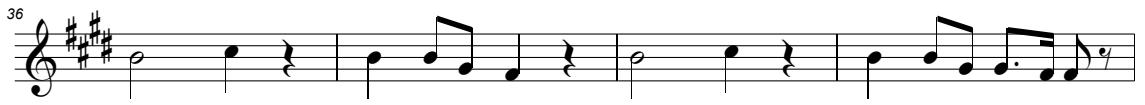
rise up from the grave. O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your vic - to - ry?

32



O church, come stand in the light. The glo - ry of God has de - feat - ed the night.

36



O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your vic - to - ry?

40



O church, come stand in the light. Our God is not dead, He's a - live! He's a-live! Christ is

44



ris - en from the dead. Tramp - ling o - ver death by death. Come a - wake, come a - wake. Come and

47



rise up from the grave. Christ is ris - en from the dead. We are one with Him a - gain. Come a -

50



wake, come a - wake. Come and rise up from the grave.

He Lives

1 I serve a ris - en Sav - ior, he's in the world to - day;
 2 In all the world a - round me I see his lov - ing care,
 3 Re - joice, re - joice, O Chris - tian, lift up your voice and sing

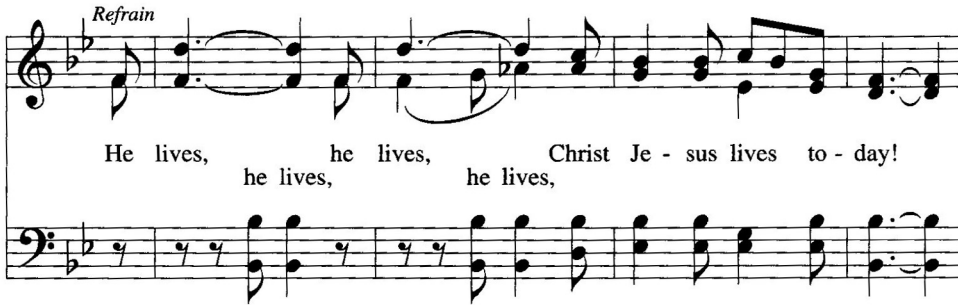
I know that he is liv - ing, what - ev - er some may say;
 and though my heart grows wea - ry, I nev - er will de - spair;
 e - ter - nal hal - le - lu - jahs to Je - sus Christ the King!

I see his hand of mer - cy, I hear his voice of cheer,
 I know that he is lead - ing through all the storm - y blast,
 The hope of all who seek him, the help of all who find,

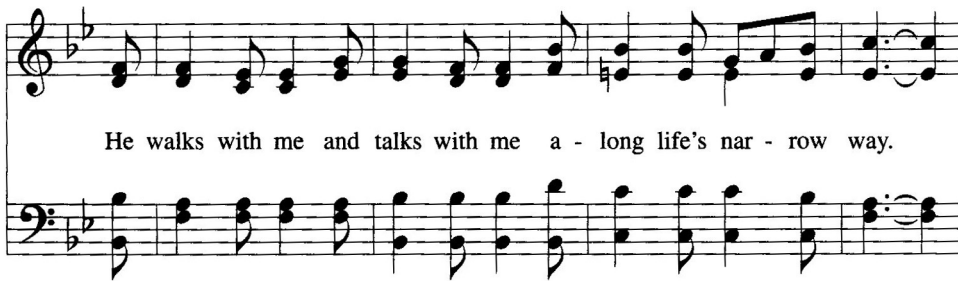
and just the time I need him he's al - ways near.
 the day of his ap - pear - ing will come at last.
 none oth - er is so lov - ing, so good and kind.

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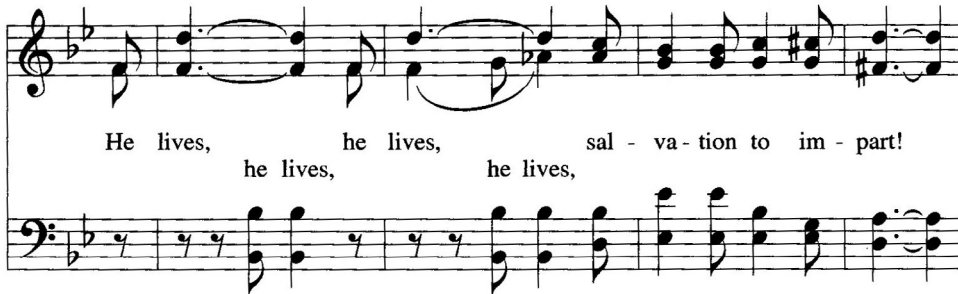
Refrain



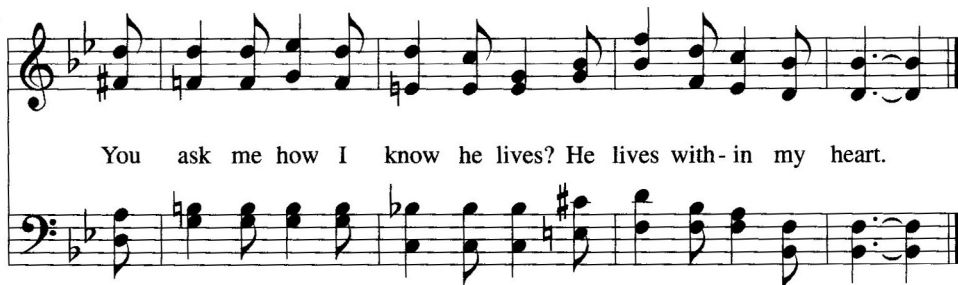
He lives, he lives, Christ Je - sus lives to - day!
he lives, he lives,



He walks with me and talks with me a - long life's nar - row way.



He lives, he lives, sal - va - tion to im - part!
he lives, he lives,



You ask me how I know he lives? He lives with - in my heart.

Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en con - qu'ring Son; end - less is the
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly he
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is nought with-

vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let his church with glad - ness
 out thee: aid us in our strife. Make us more than con - qu'rors,

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for her Lord now liv - eth:
 through thy death - less love: bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con - qu'ring Son;
 to thy home a - bove.

EASTER: RESURRECTION

end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won.

The image shows a musical score for a piece titled "Easter: Resurrection". It consists of two staves: a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are "end - less is the vic - t'ry thou o'er death hast won." The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords that support the vocal melody. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a repeat sign.

*2024 Easter Memorials
& Honoraria*



*We Remember
We Honor*

The members and friends listed here have chosen to memorialize or honor their loved ones either with the purchase of a beautiful flowering plant you see at the front of the sanctuary today and/or by giving a donation to our refugee family fund.

Given by Mary Ann Ahlgren
in memory of Betty J. Nelson

Given by Sandy Edstrom
in memory of Art Edstrom

Given by Sue & Kevin Anderson
in memory of June & Delmond Borg
in memory of Lois & Bill Anderson

Given by Peter & Martha Frisk
in memory of Harder & Evelyn Johnson
in memory of Donald & Evelyn Frisk

Given by Helen & Garry Arkema
in memory of Lorraine Arkema
in memory of Calvin Verbrugge

Given by Barb & John Goode
in memory of our parents
in memory of Eric
in honor of Jeff, Clare, & Theo

Given by Cheryl Borgeson & Les Carlstrom
in memory of our parents

Given by Louise Hedstrom
in memory of Herbert J. Hedstrom

Given by the Boyd family
in memory of Jay Sivits

Given by Sarah Hillabrant
in memory of Linda Hillabrant

Given by Julie & David Bromley
in memory of our parents

Given by Sig Hulburt
in honor of Ron & Ingrid Newlin

Given by Mary & Keith Chase-Ziolek
in memory of Zoey Hope Chase-Ziolek
in memory of Helen & Jim Chase
in memory of Margaret & Roman Ziolek

Given by Francis & Barbara Hunt
in memory of Myrna & Milton Giertz
in memory of Francis & Witte Hunt
in memory of Judith Giertz

Given by Karen M. Darelius
in memory of Helen & Charles Darelius
in honor of my brothers, Peter & Joel,
and their families

Given by the Hunter family
in memory of Clint & Shirley Hamrick
in memory of Perry Manley

Given by Susan, Dave, & Krista Dawson
in memory of Fran & Zerda Boland
in memory of Jay & Elfrieda Dawson

Given by Lori Johnson
in memory of Francis Johnson
in honor of Rose Johnson

Given by James & Judy Edstrom
in memory of David & Rachel Wood
in memory of Carl & Vivian Edstrom

Given by the Lucco family
in memory of Richard Lucco

Given by Sandra Nelson
in memory of James S. Nelson

Given by Terri Njaa
in memory of Donald Njaa

Given by Doug Nystrom & Jane Swanson-
Nystrom
in memory of Gail & Edna Nystrom
in memory of Richard & Helen Swanson

Given by Joel & Christine Olfelt
in memory of our fathers

Given by Ann-Marie Olson Frisk
in memory of loved ones

Given by Chuck & Jan Olson
in memory of our parents
in honor of our children & grandchildren

Given by Don & Kay Olson
*in honor of our grandsons: Anders, Axel,
Jack, Dillan*

Given by Mark, Krista, Axel, & Anders
Olson-Brady
in memory of Dave Brady

Given by Peter & Lynn Pearson
in memory of our parents

Given by Bonnie Pfeiffelman & family
in memory of my father, Peter Hutt

Given by the Piotrowski family
in memory of loved ones

Given by Julie, Andrew, Noah, & Ella
Reese-Clauson
in memory of John Clauson
in memory of Herb Clauson

Given by Christian & Paula Schuetz
in memory of Jim Hosek
in honor of Laurie, Trevor, & Kevin

Given by Mark Schukas & family
in memory of Schukas family members

Given by Peter & Joanna Sjoblom
in memory of the Westbergs and Sjobloms
who have gone before

Given by Roderick & Janette Smith
in memory of Greg Smith
in memory of Carol Smith
in memory of James Smith
in memory of Peter Muir

Given by Melvin, Kristen, Karl, & Anne
Soderstrom
in memory of Joanne Soderstrom

Given by Bruce & Ann Marie Strom
in memory of James & Ruth Shouba
in memory of Milton & Iva Strom

Given by Eileen Thorpe
in memory of Jim Hosek
in memory of Roger Thorpe

Given by Sue Vandervoort
in memory of Mom, Dad, and my brother

Given by the Wargaski family
in memory of Marion Brien

Given by Bill & Ruthanne Werner
in memory of Rev. Bertil & Lorraine Lovain
in memory of Carl & Georgia Werner



Welcome to North Park Covenant Church online!

We're glad you're here.

For your prayers this week:

- **Kari Lindholm-Johnson and family**, as Kari has is now on hospice care
- **Kristen Engebretson**, recuperating after an appendectomy this past Monday
- Keith Chase-Ziolek's sister, **Lynn Hecht**, recuperating after surgery this past Tuesday for ovarian cancer
- **Steve Paska and family**, mourning the passing of his cousin Bruce
- **Eric Pfeiffelman**, recuperating after surgery
- Janice Finney's brother-in-law, **Tim Rohr**, recuperating after a stem cell transplant
- our assistant preschool teacher **Jen Glazier and family**, mourning the unexpected passing of her father
- Paul Wargaski's parents: **Rosalie**, who fell and broke her arm, and **Ronald**, in need of peace while struggling with a chronic lung condition
- Rosemary Slaughter's friend **Barbara Towes**, recuperating after having a toe amputated

There is no childcare today, but we are happy to have our littlest worshipers in the service with us, wiggles and giggles and all!

The April issue of *The Narthex*, our monthly newsletter, was emailed out this past Friday, and paper copies are available in the narthex, the parlors, and in the hallway near the co-pastors' office. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email, please contact the office, and we will happily add you.

The College-age Young Adult Lunch will not meet today, but we welcome any people who fit into this category to join us on Sunday, April 7. Please reach out to Linnea Olfelt at lmolfelt@gmail.com to ask any questions you may have or let her know you'd like to come!

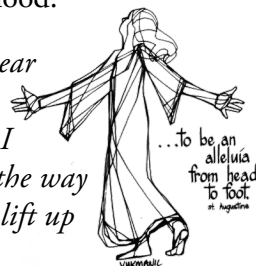
Bible Journaling will resume next Sunday, April 7, in the art room (lower level). All are welcome!

The nominating committee is looking for church members interested in representing the church at the ECC Annual Meeting, Gather 2024, which will be held in Cincinnati, OH, from June 27-29. If you have an interest or any questions, [please contact Susan Dawson](#). The church will pay for transportation and housing/meals.

Neighborhood Prayer in 2024

As we continue in prayer for our neighborhood at the conclusion of the month of March, and recognizing that our hope comes from God and God alone, we pray from the depths of our souls for the peace and comfort that only God can bring to the people and places in our neighborhood.

Psalm 143:8 - Let me hear of your steadfast love in the morning, for in you I put my trust. Teach me the way I should go, for to you I lift up my soul.



The Church Calendar This Week

The calendar is available online at www.npcovenant.org/calendar and is updated as changes occur.

Monday, April 1

- 9:15 am Women's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room)
- 10:30 am Staff Meeting (Staff Conference Room)
- 4 pm Tutoring (Parlors)
- 6:30 pm Geezerball (Gym)
- 7:30 pm Centering Prayer (Staff Conference Room)

Tuesday, April 2

- 8 am Men's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room)
- 4:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 6 pm Cudahy Basketball (Gym)
- 7 pm Adult Bible Study (Art Room)

Wednesday, April 3

- 10 am Women's Bible Study (Hybrid/Large Conference Room)
- 6 pm Gather Dinner (Parlors)
- 6:30 pm Chancel Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Side Balcony, Sanctuary)
Contemporary Music Rehearsal (Choir Room)
- 7 pm Middle-school Youth Group (Youth Room near the Gym)
- 7:15 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)

Thursday, April 4

- 4:30 pm Uniting Voices Chicago Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Friday, April 5

- 1 pm Prayer Gathering (South Chapel Prayer Corner)

Saturday, April 6

- 8 am Geezerball (Gym)
- 10:30 am Cudahy Basketball (Gym)

Sunday, April 7

- 9 am Confirmation (Large Conference Room)
- 9:15 am Sunday School for Preschool - 6th Grade (Junior Chapel)
Adult Formation (Parlors)
Bible Journaling (Art Room)
- 10:30 am Worship (Sanctuary)
- 11:45 am Special Coffee Hour for Sunwoo Lee (Parlors)
- 12 pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (Junior Chapel)
- 7 pm High-school Youth Group (The Attic Youth Room)
AA Meeting (Parlors)

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Welcome Statement

We welcome all people to begin or deepen their relationship with Christ through worship and study. We invite all believers to fully participate in the life and ministry of our church as members, leaders, and lay staff. We celebrate the gifts and presence of diverse Christians among us—whether those differences be race, ethnicity, age, marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity, ability, or socioeconomic status. We are blessed by our diversity and are unified in Christ.

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