

**Easter Sunday
April 1, 2018**

New Life!

Prelude

The beginning of the prelude is a call to silent, personal preparation for the worship of God.

*** Congregation please stand if able**

*** The Call to Worship**

L: Out of the darkness of grief and despair comes a message of hope.
Christ is risen.

P: Christ is risen, indeed.

L: We run to the tomb to see for ourselves. And it is true.
Christ is risen.

P: Christ is risen, indeed.

L: We hear a voice call our name, and we know our risen Lord
is with us now and always.

P: Christ is risen.

Christ is risen, indeed!

*** Hymn**

Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Joe Swinkey - Trumpet

No. 302

vs. 1-4

*** Entrance of the Light of Christ**

Joy and prayer concerns (please sign attendance pads found at the end of the pew)

Unison Prayer

*God of resurrection, new life, and victory over death. We your people
praise you for the life-giving work that you have done through your
Son, Jesus Christ. By the power of the Holy Spirit, empower us to be
agents of new life, help us point all people toward the risen Lord.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen*

Silent Prayer – Pastoral Prayer - Lord's Prayer

***Hymn**

Christ Is Alive

No. 318

Chancel Choir

Forth He Came at Easter

Allen Pote

Children's Message

The Offering of Our Gifts

Offertory

*** Doxology (No. 95) Blessing**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen*

Chancel Choir Anthem

Risen As He Said

John Innes

*** Hymn**

Thine Be The Glory

No. 308

Scripture Lesson

John 20: 1-18

Solo

In The Garden

Ellie Himebauch

Message

A Glorious Morning

Rev. Evans C. Bentley

*** Hymn**

Up From The Grave

No. 322

The light of Christ leads us into the World

Benediction

Choral Response

He lives, he lives, Christ Jesus lives today!

He walks with me and he talks with me along life's narrow way.

He lives, he lives, salvation to impart!

You ask me how I know he lives? He lives within my heart.

Postlude

St. Paul's Staff

Pastor: Evans C. Bentley

Director of Music: John C. Tyner

Organist: Inger Oswald

Office Personnel: Ileene Smith and Debbie Lewis

Director of Children's Choirs: John Fedosky

Treasurer: Jeanette Fedosky

Financial Secretary: Peggy Plath

Christian Education Director: Alisha Cooley

Youth Leaders: Willie Lass

Liturgists:

9:00 a.m. – Mary Kay Hamilton

11:00 a.m. – Paula Vergowven

Ushers:

9:00 a.m. – Brenda Cadle, Fran Rayce, Patty Siekierda,
Karen Salisbury, Mary Kay Hamiton

11:00 a.m. – Julie Balk, Cheryl Brophy, Julie Linn, Yvonne Gnaedinger

Greeters:

9:00 a.m. – Rick and Laura Reicherd

11:00 a.m. –

Acolytes:

9:00 a.m. – Olivia Gladieux

11:00 a.m. – Alex Roa-Garcia

Budget Information:

Expenditures: \$76,081

Income 57,925

Endowment Income and

2017 Carryover used: 18,156

Announcements

Christian Sympathy to the family of Ed Fairchild who passed away this past Thursday. Funeral services and a luncheon will be held at St. Paul's on Tuesday, April 3rd.

Please keep Bill Huntley in your prayers. He has eye surgery scheduled 4/9.

Childcare is provided for children 4 years old and younger in the nursery on Sundays during worship service.

We will be holding a Special Administrative Board meeting on Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., to discuss repairs and improvements to the Parsonage.

St. Paul's Outreach is collecting items for the Philadelphia House and Paula's House. They are in need of (men and women's), deodorant and razors, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper, and laundry detergent. Please put the items in the bin in Fellowship Hall. Contact Cindy Miller for more information.

Because all that we have belongs to God, our goal in using that which belongs to God is to glorify Him.

“So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God” (1 Cor. 10:31).

Would you like to *be a friendly face on Sunday mornings?* Greeters are always needed! Please *sign up on the sheets on the bulletin board* for any Sunday that would be convenient for you. Your help is greatly appreciated!

The *Mary Martha Circle* has hung another quilt in the smallest section of the Fellowship Hall. This quilt was sewn for *Paula Vergowven* and will carry our prayers for her as she answers God's call to the ministry. A few ties and prayers remain to be said and tied on the quilts for *Jan Hile and Jane Drumm*. Continue your excellent work! We couldn't do this without your help!

Eve Circle Book Sale is coming. Eve Circle will once again be sponsoring a book sale later this year so, as you clean up and clean out, please set aside your unwanted/unneeded books for us. Unfortunately there is no storage space available at the church, so we respectfully ask that you keep them at your home until time for the sale. We'll let you know in plenty of time to bring them in and will even provide pick up service if needed.

The Monroe Art League is sponsoring a Fine Art & Memorabilia Auction fundraiser Friday, April 13th at 6:00 p.m. at Monroe Knights of Columbus Hall, to raise money towards the endowment of a Scholarship to MCCC in memory of Fran Maedel.

Mark Your Calendars – The John Tyner Chorale will present its annual Spring Concert “*Songs of Hope and Joy*” a celebration of life, on Friday evening, May 11, 2018 at 7:30p.m. at St. Paul's UMC. 201 S. Monroe Street. The concert is free to the public.

This Week at St. Paul's:

Sunday, April 1, 2018

9:00 a.m. – Easter Sunday Worship
10:00 a.m. – Easter Sunday Social
11:00 a.m. – Easter Sunday Worship
No UMYF Tonight

Tuesday, April 3, 2018

7:00 p.m. - Special Ad Board Meeting
(to discuss repairs and improvements to the parsonage)

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

No Christ's Kids/Choirs
No Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday, April 5, 2018

10:00 a.m. – Community Singers

Sunday, April 8, 2018

9:00 a.m. – Sunday Worship
10:00 a.m. – Sunday School
11:00 a.m. – Sunday Worship
6:00 p.m. - UMYF