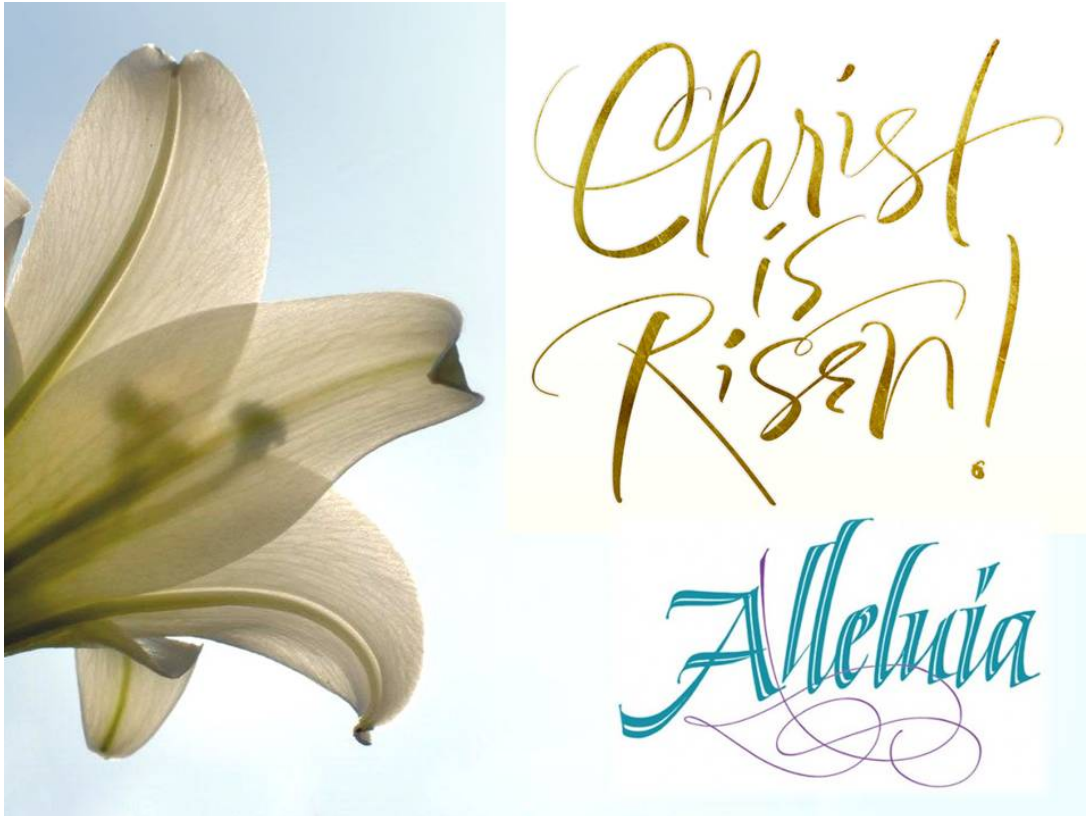


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OF GREENLAWN**



**Sunday Celebration of Worship
April 20, 2025 – Easter Sunday
10:30 a.m.**

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Easter Sunday

GATHERING MUSIC *You Gave Your Life For Me* Written by Leonora Knight

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE RINGING OF THE BELL Dan Charnews /Tyler Hago/ Glenn Jahier

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing the glad songs of victory.

God is creating a day of newness and joy.

God is our strength and our song.

This is the day of our salvation.

Christ has been raised from the dead,

The first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

The one who was rejected assures us:

We are accepted and beloved by God.

We are chosen by God as witnesses to Good News.

We will live and recount the deeds of our God.

God reigns; let all nations and peoples rejoice.

In Christ, all shall be made alive.

*HYMN # 123

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

EASTER HYMN

Jesus Christ is risen today! Al-le-lu-ia!

Our triumphant holy day. Al-le-lu-ia!

Who did once upon the cross, Al-le-lu-ia!

Suffer to redeem our loss. Al-le-lu-ia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al-le-lu-ia!

Unto Christ, our heavenly King. Al-le-lu-ia!

Who endured the cross and grave, Al-le-lu-ia!

Sinners to redeem and save. Al-le-lu-ia!

But the pains which He endured, Al-le-lu-ia!

Our salvation have procured. Al-le-lu-ia!

Now above the sky He's King. Al-le-lu-ia!

Where the angels ever sing. Al-le-lu-ia!
Sing we to our God above, Al-le-lu-ia!
Praise eternal as God's love.
Praise our God, ye heavenly host. Al-le-lu-ia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al-le-lu-ia!

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Dazzling God, we are blinded to Your majesty. We have taken for granted the amazing wonder of life, without seeing You as the source of all things. We shrink from the chastening judgment we deserve. We resist the changes we know we must make to receive new life. Save us from the calamity of our selfish ways. Rescue us from all hurtful and destructive habits. Forgive our broken promises, heal our broken relationships, and lift our broken spirits, so we may share in the resurrection of Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be.
World without end. Amen, Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER CONCERNS

Elder Betty Chatfield

PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Congregational Response:

Hear our prayer, O Lord. Hear our prayer, O Lord.
Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace. Amen.

INVITATION TO OFFERING

*DOXOLOGY

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.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Thank You, God, for resurrection. We rejoice in Christ as the first fruits of all that You make available to us. As You offered Christ to the world, so we would offer ourselves. May we, along with our gifts, testify to the Good News of Your forgiving love and empowering acceptance. Amen.

A GIFT FROM THE CHOIR

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Gloria (from The 12th Mass)

*Gloria is excelsis Deo.
Et in terra pax hominibus.
Bonae voluntatis.
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te.
Adoramus te. Glorificamus te .
Gratias agimus tibi
Propter magnam, gloriam tuam.
Domini Deus Rex caelestis,
Deus Pater omni potens.
Domini Fili uni genite,
Jesu Christe.
Domini Deus, Agnus Dei,
Filius Patris.*

*Glory to God in the highest
and on Earth peace to men
of good will.
We praise Thee. We bless Thee.
We adore Thee. We glorify Thee.
We give Thee thanks
for Thy great glory.
Lord God, Heavenly King,
God, the Father Almighty.
The only begotten Son,
Lord Jesus Christ
Lord God, Lamb of God,
Son of the Father.*

THE READING OF SCRIPTURE

John 20:1-18

SERMON

“Believing”

Rev. Dr. Ann M. Van Cleef

THE FLOWERING OF THE CROSS

(All worshipers are invited to come forward to transform the Old Rugged Cross into a symbol of hope as we sing hymns to the glory of God.)

Because He Lives – Debbie Eitel

Up from the Grave He Arose – The Congregation

*Low in the grave He lay. Jesus my Savior,
Waiting the coming day, Jesus my Lord!*

REFRAIN: *Up from the grave He arose (He arose)
With a mighty triumph o'er His foes (o'er His foes)
He arose a victor from the dark domain,
And He lives forever with His saints to reign.*

*He arose! (He arose) He arose! (He arose)
Hallelujah! Christ arose!*

*Vainly they watch His bed, Jesus my Savior.
Vainly they seal the dead, Jesus my Lord! REFRAIN*

*Death cannot keep its prey, Jesus my Savior.
He tore the bars away, Jesus my Lord! REFRAIN*

The Strife Is O'er – The Congregation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

*The strife is o'er, the battle done,
The victory of life is won
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!*

*The powers of death have done their worst,
But Christ their legions hath dispersed.
Let shouts of holy joy outburst. Alleluia!*

*The three sad days are quickly sped,
Christ rises glorious from the dead.
All glory to our risen Head. Alleluia!*

*Lord, by Your wounds on Calvary
From death's dread sting your servants free,
That we may live eternally. Alleluia!*

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

The Day of Resurrection! – The Congregation

*The day of resurrection! Earth tell it out abroad.
The Passover of gladness, the Passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from this world to the sky,
Our Christ hath brought us over with hymns of victory.*

*Our hearts be pure from evil, that we may see a-right
The Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light.
And listening to His accents, may hear, so calm and plain
His own "All hail!" and, hearing, may raise the victor strain.*

*Now let the heavens be joyful, let earth the song begin,
Let the round world keep triumph, and all that is therein.*

*Let all things seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend,
For Christ the Lord is risen, our joy that hath no end.*

***BENEDICTION**

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE # 151

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*Crown Him with many crowns, the Lamb upon His throne.
Hark, how the Heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of Him who died for thee.
And hail Him as thy matchless King through all eternity.*

*Crown Him the Lord of Years, the Potentate of Time,
Creator of the Rolling Spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou hast died for me.
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.*

***CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE:**

TUNE:

EDELWEISS

*May the Lord, Mighty God bless and keep you forever.
Grant you peace, perfect peace, faith in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see His face, and His grace forever!
May the Lord, Mighty God bless and keep you forever.*

JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE:

*Those who are willing and able are invited to stand

THE WOMEN'S CHOIR

Rev. Dr. Ann Van Cleef, Director

Leonora Knight, Accompanist

Sopranos

Marian Adams

Barbara Charnews*

Kathie Gerlach

Priscilla Jahier

Susan Perrotta

Altos

Arlissa Dean

Debbie Eitel

Claire Proctor

Jill Wilson

*Barbara Charnews is recovering from surgery, but will be singing with us on Pentecost Sunday. Sandra Bennardo has joined the choir, and will be singing with

us on Pentecost Sunday as well. We would like to acknowledge Meg Lawrence, who has retired from choir after many years of singing. She is now our “Soprano Emerita.”

JOYS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Guest Musicians

We welcome two guest musicians to our church this morning: Christina Tomek on flute, and Jack Knight on 'cello. Thank you, Christina and Jack for sharing your musical gifts.

Flowers

For those who have dedicated Easter flowers, please remember to take them home after this morning's Service.

No Coffee Hour Today

Many people have plans with friends and family today, so we will not be having a coffee hour.

Palm Sunday Brunch

A big “thank you” goes to Debbie Eitel for organizing a wonderful Palm Sunday brunch last week. Thank you also to Arlissa Dean for all of her help each and every Sunday.

The Little Food Pantry

Thanks to your generosity, we don't need anything for our Little Food Pantry this week. We will update you on our needs next week.

You May Now Donate On Line

Simply put your cell phone into camera mode, hold it up to the funny little square thing (no need to take a photo), and the link to our church website will pop up. The “Donate” button is on the opening page.



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Gary Prentiss

Class of 2026
Arlyssa Dean
Kathleen Gerlach

Class of 2027
Debbie Eitel



Easter



Flower Dedications

Dedicated by:

In Memory of:

Marian Adams My Husband,
Bob
Marian Adams..... My Daughter, Deborah Adams
Hobgood
Barbara & Dan Charnews Parents, Becky & Rensselaer
Terry

Barbara & Dan Charnews Parents, Stephanie & Dan Charnews
 Barbara & Dan Charnews Aunt Libby Terry
 Betty & Bill Chatfield Loved Ones
 Arlissa & James Dean Ramona & Salvatore Salamone
 Linda & David Dickman Thomas P. Dickman
 Linda & David Dickman Sharon Anderson
 Kathy Fitzgerald The Fitzgerald Family
 Kathleen Gerlach My Parents, Ottomar & Arlene Gerlach
 Lisa & Richard Huntley Richard, Erica, and Janice Huntley
 Lisa & Richard Huntley Kennard & Jean Kaplan
 Priscilla & Glenn Jahier Gus & Norma Zeis, Sr.
 Priscilla & Glenn Jahier Gus & Carole Zeis, Jr.
 Priscilla & Glenn Jahier Lou & Eddie Jahier
 Leonora & Jack Knight Jack's Sister, Melissa
 Jane Longstreet & The Schrenker Family Kenny Longstreet
 Nancy MacIntyre My Parents, Dr. & Mrs. Winfield C. Terry
 Susan Perrotta My Dad
 Susan Perrotta My Grandparents
 Susan Perrotta My Aunts and Uncles
 Susan Perrotta My Godson, Johnny Zoraian
 Paul & Claire Proctor Our Parents and Grandparents
 Linda Raxon Carol and Jimmy Eitel
 Linda Raxon Julia & Leo Eitel
 Linda Raxon Kathleen & Kenneth Pape

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Parents, Sherwood & Ruth
Shotwell

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Grandfather, Charles
Tilden

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Aunt, Edith
Tilden

Rory & Glenn Shotwell..... Our Uncle and Aunt, Stuart & Jean
Shotwell

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Uncle and Aunt, William & Ethel
Wyckoff

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Uncle and Aunt, C. Edward & Helen
Tilden

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Uncle and Aunt, Arnold & Elaine
Tilden

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our “Aunt Flo”
Tilden

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Cousin, Rich
Miltner

Rory & Glenn Shotwell Our Friends, Becky & Everett
Dodge

Ann Van Cleef My Husband, Robert (Bob) Van
Cleef

Ann Van Cleef My Parents, Lolly & Arthur Abbate
Lynne Ward & Brian Bachmann Mildred & Charles Bachmann

Rosalie Wilson & The Schweighardts Barbara
Lawson

Rosalie Wilson & The SchweighardtsAll Our Loved
Ones

Dedicated by:

In Honor of:

Betty & Bill ChatfieldVolunteers & First Responders
 Kathy Fitzgerald My Church Friends
 Kathy Fitzgerald My Hibernian Sisters and Brothers
 Ann Van Cleef My Church Family
 Jane Wyman Linda and David Dickman



*We would like to acknowledge the following members of our Church
 who entered Life Eternal this past year,
 and will be celebrating Easter with their Lord and Savior:*

Maria Hottinger – June 25, 2024
 Ann Beck – September 8, 2024
 Helen Kozlowski – November 30, 2024

Flowers

Lilies (9)

Arlissa Dean
 Kathie Gerlach
 Lisa Huntley
 Lisa Huntley
 Lisa Huntley
 Jane Longstreet
 Glenn Shotwell
 Lynne Ward
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Daffodils (14)

Barbara & Dan Charnews
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Arlissa Dean
Linda & David Dickman
Kathy Fitzgerald
Leonora Knight
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Jane Longstreet
Glenn Shotwell
Ann Van Cleef
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Tulips (10)

Betty & Bill Chatfield
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Linda & David Dickman
Kathie Gerlach
Priscilla & Glenn Jahier
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Nancy MacIntyre
Glenn Shotwell
Rosalie Wilson
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Hyacinths (12)

Betty & Bill Chatfield
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Kathie Gerlach
Susan Perrotta
Susan Perrotta
Paul & Claire Proctor
Paul & Claire Proctor
Linda Rixon
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Glenn Shotwell
Jane Wyman, to go to Dickmans
Marian Adams
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