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# The 10:15 a.m. service will be livestreamed and posted today on our YouTube channel and our website.

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 ***The 3rd Sunday of Easter, April 23, 2022, 10:15 a.m. – Online Edition***

\* = *Please stand as you are able*  *All congregational responses are in* ***bold***

*(Young Families: There is an “activity box” for children located under the ushers’ bench at the rear of the sanctuary.)*

 *Welcome to Muddy Creek!*

 Announcements, Waving Hello

 Prelude: *O Divine Redeemer*…….....…………………………….……………….…arr. R. Parks

\*Gathering Hymn: “Christ the Lord is Risen Today; Alleluia! ……...………….....…...…....#369

1. Christ the Lord is ris’n today; Alleluia! Christians, hasten on your way; Alleluia!

offer praise with love replete, Alleluia! at the Paschal victim’s fee. Alleluia!

2. For the sheep the Lamb has bled, Alleluia! sinless in the sinner’s stead. Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia! now he lives, nor more to die. Alleluia!

3. Christ, the victim undefiled, Alleluia! God and sinners reconciled, Alleluia!

when contending death and life, Alleluia! met in strange and awesome strife. Alleluia!

4. Christians, on this holy day, Alleluia! all your grateful homage pay; Alleluia!

Christ the Lord is ris’n on high; Alleluia! now he lives, no more to die. Alleluia!

\*Greeting C: **And also with you** ……………………….……………………………....page 138

\*Kyrie……………………………………………………………………………….…….page 138

L: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord. C: **Lord, have mercy.**

L: Help, save, comfort and defend us , gracious Lord. C: **Amen.**

\*Hymn of Praise (“Glory to God in the highest…”)……………………………...……...page 139

L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God’s people on earth.

C: **Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

\*Prayer of the Day C: **Amen**

 First Reading: Acts 2:14a, 36-41
 14aPeter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd, 36“Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.” 37Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, “Brothers, what should we do?” 38Peter said to them, “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” 40And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added. L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

 Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19 (Congregational responses in bold)

 1I love the Lord, who has **|** heard my voice,
  and listened to my **|** supplication,
 2**for the Lord has given | ear to me**
  **whenev- | er I called.**
 3The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave **|** came upon me;
  I came to **|** grief and sorrow.
 4**Then I called upon the name | of the Lord:**
  **“O Lord, I pray you, | save my life.”**
 12How shall I re- **|** pay the Lord
  for all the good things God has **|** done for me?
 13**I will lift the cup | of salvation**
  **and call on the name | of the Lord.**
 14I will fulfill my vows **|** to the Lord
  in the presence of **|** all God’s people.
 15**Precious in your | sight, O Lord,**
  **is the death | of your servants.**
 16O Lord, truly I **|** am your servant;
  I am your servant, the child of your handmaid; you have freed me **|** from my bonds.
 17**I will offer you the sacrifice | of thanksgiving**
  **and call upon the name | of the Lord.**
 18I will fulfill my vows **|** to the Lord
  in the presence of **|** all God’s people,
 19**in the courts of | the Lord’s house,**
  **in the midst of you, O Jerusalem. | Hallelujah!**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-23

 17If you invoke as Father the one who judges all people impartially according to their deeds, live in reverent fear during the time of your exile. 18You know that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your ancestors, not with perishable things like silver or gold, 19but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without defect or blemish. 20He was destined before the foundation of the world, but was revealed at the end of the ages for your sake. 21Through him you have come to trust in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.
 22Now that you have purified your souls by your obedience to the truth so that you have genuine mutual love, love one another deeply from the heart. 23You have been born anew, not of perishable but of imperishable seed, through the living and enduring word of God.

 L: The word of the Lord. C: **Thanks be to God**

\*Gospel Acclamation: ……………………………………………………………………page 142

(**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia)**

\*Gospel: Luke 24:13-35 C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

 13Now on that same day when Jesus had appeared to Mary Magdalene, two disciples were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, 14and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. 15While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, 16but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. 17And he said to them, “What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?” They stood still, looking sad. 18Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” 19He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, 20and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. 21But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. 22Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, 23and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. 24Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.” 25Then he said to them, “Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! 26Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?” 27Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.
 28As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. 29But they urged him strongly, saying, “Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.” So, he went in to stay with them. 30When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. 31Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. 32They said to each other, “Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?” 33That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. 34They were saying, “The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!” 35Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

 L: The gospel of the Lord. C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

 Children’s Message

 Sermon

\*Hymn of the Day: “The Day of Resurrection!”...…………..….....….…...……………....….#361

1. The day of resurrection! Earth, tell it out abroad,

the passover of gladness, the passover of God.

From death to life eternal, from sin’s dominion free,

our Christ has brought us over with hymns of victory.

2. Let hearts be purged of evil that we may see aright

the Lord in rays eternal of resurrection light,

and list’ning to his accents, may hear, so calm and plain,

his own “All hail!” and hearing, may raise the glad refrain.

3. Now let the heav’ns be joyful, let earth its song begin,

the round world keep high triumph and all that is therein.

Let all things, seen and unseen, their notes of gladness blend;

for Christ the Lord has risen, our joy that has no end!

4. All praise to God the Father, all praise to Christ the Son,

all praise to God the Spirit, eternal Three in One!

Let all the ransomed number fall down before the throne,

and honor, pow’r, and glory ascribe to God alone!

\*The Apostles’ Creed…………………………………………………………….………….p. 105

 **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

 **I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended to heaven, he is seat- ed at the right hand of God the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

\*Thanksgiving for Offering C: **We give thee but thine own, whate’er the gift may be;**

 **All that we have is thine alone, a trust, O Lord, from thee.**

 (Offering may be contributed online through the church website, mclchurch.org,

 “Give Online” button on the home page.)

\*Hymn #752 (“**Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;**

 **Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us pow’r, send us grace.**”)

\*Prayers of the Church P: Lord, in your mercy C: **Hear our prayer**

 \*Lord’s Prayer………………………………………………………………...………..page 145

 **Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed by 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.**

\*BlessingC: **Amen** (sung response)

\*Sending Song: “Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds”.……..…..………………......…..#367

1. Now all the vault of heav’n resounds in praise of love that still abounds:

“Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear!

Repeat their song of glory here; “Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2. Eternal is the gift he brings, therefore our heart with rapture sings:

“Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Now still he comes to give us life

and by his presence stills all strife. “Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3. Oh, fill us Lord with dauntless love; set heart and will on things above

that we conquer through your triumph; grant grace sufficient for life’s day

that by our lives we truly say: “Christ has triumphed! He is living!” Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4. Adoring praises now we bring and with the heav’nly blessed sing:

“Christ has triumphed! Alleluia!” Be to the Father, and our Lord

to Spirit blest, most holy God, all the glory, never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

\*Dismissal P: Go in Peace. Serve the Risen Lord. C: **Thanks be to God.**

  Postlude: *Hail to the Brightness*………………..…………………………..……..……L. Mason

(note: At 11:30 a.m. today, there will be a Dedication of our new Cemetery sign across the street)

**Announcements**

**Welcome** to everyone, especially all visitors and guests! If you are visiting today, it would be really appreciated if you would fill out the yellow card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Welcome!

**Today at 11:30 a.m., We Will Dedicate the New Muddy Creek Cemetery Sign**: Thank you so much to Jere Shimp for making a new sign for the Muddy Creek Cemetery! Thank you also to his family for helping install it. Following the second service, at 11:30 a.m., please gather in the upper parking lot across the street for the Dedication.

**Today is the Jesus ‘n Me Playgroup** for all babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their parents at 9:00 a.m. in the nursery. The theme is “Thank You for the People Who Love Me”.

**Welcome Today** to the extended Shober family as they celebrate their Shober Family Reunion today at Muddy Creek! One of the relation, Chad Shober, takes journeys on religious pilgrimages throughout the world and will be presenting about his pilgrimages sometime in the future to the Adult Forum at Muddy Creek. You can follow along with Chad’s next upcoming pilgrimage through his website, mylsm.net. Welcome, Shober clan!

**The Prayer Shawl Knitting Group** meets at Yvonne Weaver’s house, on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. There will be no gathering this Tuesday, April 25. Contact: Yvonne Weaver at 717-371-6453. All are invited!

**The Altar Flowers Today** are given by Judy Nichol in memory of loved ones.

**Flowers may be Sponsored** by signing up in the binder outside Pastor Peter’s office. Please note that the cost to sponsor flowers is $45, not $35 as was mistakenly listed in the April Newsletter.

**In our Prayers**: Elsie Altpeter, Gloria Aseli, Dorothy Beam, Curtis and Faith Beck, Alex Harding, Pat Kagarise, Joyce Keith, Betsy Klink, Tina Lavrenchuk, the Martin family, Mary Miller, Charles Moyer, Jean Moyer, Paul Moyer, Betty Ramsey, Tom Riggle, Dana Sanchez, Larry Shober, Susan and Walt Siegel, Becky Thunberg, Philip Webber, Kent Weinhold, Michael Weinhold.

**Attendance and Giving:**

Attendance Apr. 16, 8:00 a.m. – , 10:15 a.m. – , YouTube and Facebook –

Received through end of Mar.: $40,006.03 Expenses thru Mar.:  $50,194.40

Received on Apr. 16: Received Apr. to date:

**Worship Helpers Today:**

10:15 a.m. Acolyte - Cannon Youndt

10:15 a.m. Lay Reader - Joe Sanchez

10:15 a.m. Cantor - Pastor Peter

10:15 a.m. Money Counters - June and Neal Leid

**Worship Helpers Next Sunday, April 30:**

10:15 a.m. Acolyte - Zach Sheaffer

10:15 a.m. Lay Reader - Lynn Breidenstein

10:15 a.m. Cantor - David Sensenig

10:15 a.m. Money Counters -David and June Sloat