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Ascension Lutheran Church Landover Hills, Maryland April 20, 2025

Order of Worship

Organ Prelude

Variation on "Vruechten"
(This Joyful Eastertide)
Brass Quintet Arr. Mark Rippe

(Stand) Easter Announcement

P: This is the day that the Lord has made.

C: We will rejoice and be glad in it.

P: Why are you looking among the dead for the One who is alive? He is risen!

C: He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

Processional Hymn

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

ELW 365

Text: Latin carol, 14th cent., sts 1-3; tr. J Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708, alt.; Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, st. 4 Music: J. Walsh, Lyra Davidica, 1708

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!

- 2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! Unto Christ, our heav'nly king, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
- 4. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
 Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
 Praise him, all you heav'nly host, Alleluia!
 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Confession and Absolution

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved out neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so tht we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgive us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the +Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Let us pray

C: Almighty God the Father, through Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, You have overcome death and opened the gate of everlasting life to us. Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of our Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by Your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

¹⁷"Behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the

Isaiah 65:17-25

The First Lesson

former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. ¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. ¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. ²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. ²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. ²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. ²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. ²⁴Before they call

I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. ²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw

like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Psalm (Read responsively)

A Miktam of David

16 with Gloria Patri

¹Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.

²I say to the LORD, "You are my LORD;

I have no good apart from you."

³As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble, in whom is all my delight.

⁴Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out

or take their names upon my lips.

⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.

⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places;

I have a goodly heritage.

⁷I bless the LORD who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.

⁸I keep the LORD always before me;

because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.

⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.

¹⁰For you do not give me up to Sheol, or let your faithful one see the Pit.

¹¹You show me the path of life.

In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

C: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen

¹⁹If in this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. ²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

R: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

(Stand) Alleluia Verse ELW Setting 4



The Gospel Lesson

Luke 24.1-12

R: The Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-fourth chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. ²They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, 3but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. 5The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. ⁶Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee. 7that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners. and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." 8Then they remembered his words, ⁹ and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. ¹⁰Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. 11But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. ¹²But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

R: The Gospel of the Lord.C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

(Stand) Hymn of the Day

ELW 366

"The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done" Text: Synphonia Sirenum, Köln, 1695; tr. Francis Pott, 1832-1909 Music: Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, 1525-1594; arr. William H. Monk, 1823-1889

- Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
 The strife is o'er, the battle done;
 Now is the victor's triumph won!
 Now be the song of praise begun. Alleluia!
- 2. The pow'rs of death have done their worst, But Christ their legions has dispersed. Let shouts of holy joy out-burst. Alleluia!
- 3. The three sad days have quickly sped, He rises glorious from the dead. All glory to our risen head! Alleluia!
- 4. He broke the age-bound chains of hell; the bars from heav'n's high portals fell. Let hymns of praise his triumph tell. Alleluia!
- 5. Lord, by the stripes which wounded you, From death's sting free your servants too, That we may live and sing to you. Alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The Nicene Creed:

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

(Kneel/sit) The Prayers

"Hear Our Prayer"

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A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

(After each portion of the prayers:)

A: Lord, in your mercy.

C: hear our prayer.

(The prayers conclude:)

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

(Stand) Sharing The Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

All may greet one another with a sign of peace, "The peace of the Lord be with you"... "Happy Easter"...

Senior Choir

(Sit) The Gathering of Gifts

Any tithes or offerings may be placed into the offering plate by the entrance to the Sanctuary at the beginning or the end of service. For those who are worshiping with us via live-stream, please consider mailing your offering to the Church office or giving online through our website.

(Stand) The Presentation of Gifts

"At The Lamb's High Feast We Sing"

ELW362

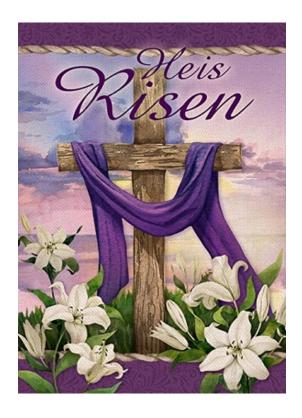
"Text: Latin hymn, 17th cent.; tr. Robert Campbell, 1814-1868, alt. Music: Bohemian Brethren, Kirchengeseng, 1566"

- 1. At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our victorious king, who has washed us in the tide flowing from his wounded side. Alleluia!
- 2. Praise we Christ, whose love divine gives his sacred blood for wine, gives his body for the feast—
 Christ the victim, Christ the priest. Alleluia!
- 4. Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, paschal victim, paschal bread; with sincerity and love eat we manna from above. Alleluia!
- 7. Easter triumph, Easter joy, this alone can sin destroy! From sin's pow'r, Lord, set us free, newborn souls in you to be. Alleluia!

Offering Prayer

A: Let us pray. Merciful Father,

C: In the abundance of your steadfast love, you call us from death to life, from silence to speech, from idleness to action. With these gifts we offer ourselves to you, and with the Church through all the ages we give thanks for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

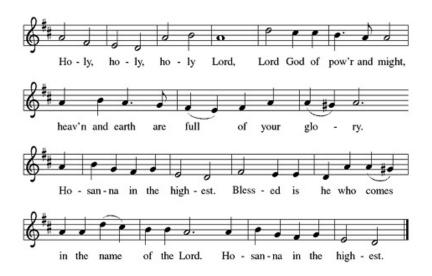
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ, the true Paschal Lamb who gave himself to take away our sin, who in dying has destroyed death, and in rising has brought us to eternal life. And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection, with earth and sea and all their creatures, and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



The Eucharistic Prayer

P: Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory. Through Abraham you promised to bless all nations. You rescued Israel, your chosen people. Through the prophets you renewed your promise; and, at this end of all the ages, you sent your Son, who in words and deeds proclaimed your kingdom and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup we proclaim the Lord's death until he returns.

- C: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P: Therefore, gracious Father, with this bread and cup we remember the life our Lord offered for us. And, believing the witness of his resurrection, we await his coming in power to share with us the great and promised feast.
- C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P: Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit, the spirit of our Lord and of his resurrection, that we who receive the Lord's body and blood may live to the praise of your glory and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
- C: Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

- P: Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest who has taught us to pray:
- C: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread;

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us;

Save us from the time of trial,

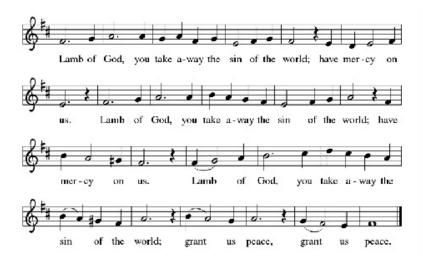
and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

(Sit) Communion Distribution

Lutherans believe that in Holy Communion we are offered the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of our sins. Baptized adults who share this belief with us are welcome to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Children who are members of other congregations who have been baptized and take communion at their church are welcome to commune with us. Others, including children, may come forward to receive a blessing.

Those communing may receive the wafer in their hand and you may receive the wine by individual cup. The ushers will direct you to communion.



ELW 382

"Christ Is Risen! Alleluia!" Text: John S. B. Monsell, 1811-1875, alt. Music: Frederick C. Maker, 1844-1927

1. Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!
Gratefully our hearts adore him
As his light once more appears;
Bowing down in joy before him
Rising up from griefs and tears.

Refrain: Christ is risen! Alleluia! Risen our victorious head!
Sing his praises! Alleluia! Christ is risen from the dead!

Christ is risen! All the sadness Of our Lenten fast is o'er;
 Through the open gates of gladness
 He returns to life once more;
 Death and hell before him bending See him rise, the victor now,
 Angels on his steps attending, Glory round his wounded brow.
 Refrain

- 3. Christ is risen! All the sorrow
 That last evening round him lay
 Now has found a glorious morrow In the rising of today.
 See the grave its first-fruits giving.
 Springing up from holy ground;
 He was dead, but now is living; He was lost, but he is found.
 Refrain
- 4. Christ is risen! Henceforth never Death or hell shall us enthrall; Be we Christ's, in him forever We have triumphed over all. All the doubting and dejection Of our trembling hearts have ceased; hail the day of resurrection! Let us rise and keep the feast. Refrain

"I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

ELW 860

Text and Tune: African American Spiritual; Public Domain

- I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
 I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
 I'm so glad, Jesus lifted me,
 Singing Glory, Hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
- 2. Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me Satan had me bound, Jesus lifted me Singing Glory, Hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.
- 3. When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, When I was in trouble, Jesus lifted me, Singing Glory, Hallelujah! Jesus lifted me.

(Stand) Post Communion Blessing

P: May this, the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, strengthen you, keeping you steadfast in your faith for life everlasting.

C: Amen.

Post Communion Canticle

"This Joyful Eastertide"

ELW391

Text: George R. Woodward, 1848-1934 Music: Dutch folk tune, 17th cent.; arr. hymnal version: Arr. © 2006 Augsburg Fortress

This joyful Eastertide,
Away with sin and sorrow!
My love, the Crucified,
Has sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, who once was slain,
Not burst his three day prison,
Our faith had been in vain.
But now has Christ arisen, arisen, arisen."

Post Communion Prayer

A: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

The Benediction

P: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

P: The Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

Recessional ELW 384

"That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright"
Text: Latin hymn, 5th cent.;
tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-1866, alt.
Music: European tune, adapt. Michael Praetorius, 1571-1621

- 1. That Easter day with joy was bright; the sun shone out with fairer light when, to their longing eyes restored, th'apostles saw their risen Lord!
- 2. O Jesus, king of gentleness, with constant love our hearts possess; to you our lips will ever raise the tribute of our grateful praise.
- 3. O Christ, you are the Lord of all in this our Easter festival, for you will be our strength and shield from ev'ry weapon death can wield.
- 4. All praise, O risen Lord, we give to you, once dead, but now alive! To God the Father equal praise, and God the Spirit, now we raise!

Sending

A: Go in peace to serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Brass Postlude

Chorale Prelude on Christ the Lord Has Risen Today Sy Brandon Brass Quintet

Organ Postlude

Toccata on "Thine is the Glory"
Paul Fey

SERVING US IN WORSHIP

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Assistant Andy House

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Reader Vivian Licorish

Greeters David & Barbara Thom Altar Guild Agnes Jones, Helen Jones,

Dianne Yohe

Ushers Harry Sessums, Clay Goldston

Ekanem Ekanem

Counters Pat Broady, Dianne McGill

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Prayer List

Sunday @6

To the Homebound and Sick, we invite you to participate in Sunday @ 6, a weekly worship call. We have prayer, Scripture, a devotion and music. We invite, welcome and encourage you to join us in Christian fellowship every Sunday at 6:00 p.m.

The call is toll-free:(267) 807-9601 Sunday @ 6 Enter this code:773-431-475 #

For further information, call Alice Gaither at (301) 459-4194!

Adult Bible Study

Adult Bible study began again on September 1st. All participants are meeting in the music room following service.

We are studying the book of Esther. If you are awaiting a miracle that has not come, feel inadequate, threatened, or pushed into overpowering situations, this is the study for you. We will explore the history of the Persian empire, the diaspora, and the plight of Israel during this period. We will look at other scriptures in both the old and new testaments that support and expand our understanding of Esther's story. We will learn how Esther's story has contemporary applications for our lives today. To include the most people possible, we will be meeting on Sundays when choir is not in rehearsal.

Adult Bible Study Schedule -Esther May 4,18; June 1,15

Easter Lilies, Azaleas, Tulips & Hyacinths Are Presented for the Glory of God

By:

Pastor Chris & Lori Agne Dawn Doakes Harry & Kathy Sessums Leola Motley Mike & Kathy Walker

In Honor Of:

In Honor of Our New Ascension Family In Honor of Julia Hackley, Mother In Honor of Grandchildren In Honor of Grandchildren In Honor of Grandchildren

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By:

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Agnes Jones Calvin & Ginny Lee Vivian Licorish

Gloria Malachi Leola Motley

Carl Wilhoit

Harry & Kathy Sessums Harry & Kathy Sessums Theresa Snuggs Theresa Snuggs Carl Wilhoit

Mike & Kathy Walker Mike & Kathy Walker In Memory

In Memory of Family Members In Memory of Parents, & Sister

Louise & Laurence Truver & Nancy Folger

In Memory of Ralph's Parents,

Jose & Sofia Carpio

In Memory of Victoria & Vicente Chiriboga In Memory of Douglas & Anthony Brault

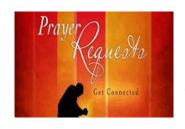
In Memory of Louis DeMaio In Memory of Loved Ones

In Memory of Calvin Hackley, Father

In Memory of Loved Onees

In Memory of Agnes and R. D. Brown In Memory of Agnes and R. D. Brown In Memory of Loved Ones

In Memory of Loved Ones
In Memory of Samuel Malachi
In Memory of Judson Motley
In Memory of Harry's Parents
In Memory of John Herbert
In Memory of Mother and Father
In Memory of Willie Snuggs
In Memory of Daisy Wilhoit
In Memory of Loved Ones
In Memory of Parents



Ascension Lutheran Church Prayer Request

Please put your prayer requests in the Prayer Diary at the rear of the Sanctuary so we can add your need to our prayers.

Maria Doakes, prayers for healing.

Sandy Brault (Grandmother of Ross Brault, Prayers for healing.

Dolores Prather, Prayers for healing and comfort

Lewis Powell, Prayers for comfort and healing

Alice McNeil, Prayers for comfort and healing

Helen Riley, Prayers for strength and healing.

Ernestine Haves, Prayers for healing.

Jannie Goldston, Prayers for healing.

Jenny DeMaio, Prayers for healing.

Calvin Lee, Prayers for healing.

Herman McNeil, Prayers for comfort and healing.

Zachary Plue, Prayers for continued healing.

Susie Nilsson, Prayers for continued healing.

Joyce Bailey, Prayers for continued healing.

Helen Bell, Prayers for healing

Alice Gaither, Prayers for healing.

Kent & Walt Nilsson, Prayers for improved vision.

Ascension Homebound:

John DellaGatta; Lois Flemming; Olivia Powell; Arthur & Mildred Smith, Helen Riley.

Ascension Weekly

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Information & Notices

April 20, 2025

Services

Divine Worship

Sunday at 9:00 am

Holy Communion is celebrated in most services.

Holy Baptism

Arrangements for Baptism can be made with the Church Office.

Weddings

Weddings for active Ascension members are arranged with the Church Office

Please Note

Adult Bible Study: Bible study meets on Sundays after worship, at 10:30 am.

Staff:

Rev. Chris Agne Pastor Gwen Neal Office Mgr. Ben Harris Parish Musician

Office open Mon-Fri., 8-4:30 Closed Holidays.

Please allow us to share Church News with you via email. Send your email address to the Church Office at office@alutheranchurch.com

Easter

9:00 am	Worship
10:30 am	Bible Study
6:00 pm	Sunday @ 6

Sunday, April 27

Easter 1

9:00 am	Worship
3:00 pm	LOG Installation

6:00 pm LOG Installat Sunday @ 6

Altar Flowers Presented By

Please Note that flowers will only be provided when they are sponsored by members. Sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in the Church Office Wing.



Altar Flowers \$50.00 Sanctuary Lights \$5.00

Ascension Lutheran Church: Becoming Caring Servants Who Extend Life in Christ to Diverse People



Sunday, April 27th LoG Installation Service @ 3pm

Saturday, May 31 Mid-Atlantic Lutherans In Mission

Stepping Forward - Conference Pursuing Racial Justice In Our

Walk With Jesus

Sunday, June 15 Education Sunday

Sunday, June 22 Voter's Meeting-Election

Friday, Sept. 19-21 LWML Christian Life Retreat

Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

Brian Carpio, Diane McGill, Caroline Savoy, Joy Ekanem, Gavin McClure, Bette Carpio, Atinuke Doherty-Moore

James & Lois Flemming

SERVING US IN WORSHIP, Next Sunday, April 27

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Roberta White, Barbara Thom

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Ekanem Ekanem

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