

# *St. Thomas Church*



**Easter Day**  
**April 4, 2021**  
**8:00 a.m.**

## PRELUDE

Instrumental

## PROCESSIONAL HYMN "Jesus Christ is Risen Today"

Hymnal #207

<sup>1</sup> **Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!**  
**who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!**

<sup>2</sup> **Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!**  
**Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!**

<sup>3</sup> **But the pains which He endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia!**  
**now above the sky He's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!**

<sup>4</sup> **Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as His love, Alleluia!**  
**Praise Him all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Alleluia!**

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Music: Lyra Davidica (1708)

## HOLY COMMUNION ~ RITE 1

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*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

## GLORIA

**Glory be to God on high,  
and on earth peace, good will towards men.**

**We praise thee, we bless thee,**

**we worship thee,**

**we glorify thee,**

**we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,**

**O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.**

**O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;**

**O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,**

**that takest away the sins of the world,**

**have mercy upon us.**

**Thou that takest away the sins of the world,**

receive our prayer.  
**Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,  
have mercy upon us.**  
**For thou only art holy;  
thou only art the Lord;  
thou only, O Christ,  
with the Holy Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through thine only-begotten Son Jesus Christ hast overcome death and opened unto us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by thy life-giving Spirit; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the same Spirit ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

### LESSON: Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ—he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.      *People*    **Thanks be to God.**

### PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
his mercy endures for ever.

2 **Let Israel now proclaim,  
"His mercy endures for ever."**

14 The Lord is my strength and my song,  
and he has become my salvation.

**15 There is a sound of exultation and victory  
in the tents of the righteous:**

16 “The right hand of the Lord has triumphed!  
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!  
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!”

**17 I shall not die, but live,  
and declare the works of the Lord.**

18 The Lord has punished me sorely,  
but he did not hand me over to death.

**19 Open for me the gates of righteousness;  
I will enter them;  
I will offer thanks to the Lord.**

20 “This is the gate of the Lord;  
he who is righteous may enter.”

**21 I will give thanks to you, for you answered me  
and have become my salvation.**

22 The same stone which the builders rejected  
has become the chief cornerstone.

**23 This is the Lord’s doing,  
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**

24 On this day the Lord has acted;  
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

**EPISTLE: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of

them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord. *People* **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL: Mark 16:1-8**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People* **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid. And all that had been commanded them they told briefly to those around Peter. And afterward Jesus himself sent out through them, from east to west, the sacred and imperishable proclamation of eternal salvation.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord. *People* **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

**SERMON**

Fr. Ralph Osborne

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**THE NICENE CREED**

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**I believe in one God,  
the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;  
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
begotten of his Father before all worlds,  
God of God, Light of Light,  
very God of very God,  
begotten, not made,  
being of one substance with the Father;  
by whom all things were made;  
who for us men and for our salvation  
came down from heaven,**

**and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father;  
and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead;  
whose kingdom shall have no end.**

**And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceedeth from the Father and the Son;  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped  
and glorified;  
who spake by the Prophets.**

**And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church;  
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins;  
and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land [especially \_\_\_\_\_], that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear [especially \_\_\_\_\_], beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of [\_\_\_\_\_ and of] all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

## CONFESSiON OF SIN

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Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

**Almighty God,**

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**maker of all things, judge of all men:**

**We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness,  
which we from time to time most grievously have committed,  
by thought, word, and deed, against thy divine Majesty,  
provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.**

**We do earnestly repent,**

**and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us,  
the burden of them is intolerable.**

**Have mercy upon us,**

**have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
forgive us all that is past;**

**and grant that we may ever hereafter  
serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

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Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

THE PEACE The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## OFFERTORY

## Instrumental

# THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People*      **And with thy spirit.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People*      **We lift them up unto the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

## People

It is very meet, right, and our

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us everlasting life.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

## *Celebrant and People*

## Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:

**Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.**

## Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.

**Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.**

## Hosanna in the highest.

All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption; who made there, by his one oblation of himself once offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Savior Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion.

And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him.

And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service, not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offenses, through Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.  
**AMEN.**

*Celebrant  
and People*

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,  
**Our Father, who art in heaven,**  
    **hallowed be 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,**  
    **for ever and ever. Amen.**

## THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## COMMUNION

Instrumental

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER (*in unison*)

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*Celebrant* Let us pray. *Please kneel*

**Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy**

fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

## BLESSING

*Celebrant* The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

RECESSATIONAL HYMN “*Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing*” Hymnal #182

<sup>1</sup> Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.  
His cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring.  
His love in death shall never die.

<sup>2</sup> Christ is alive! No longer bound  
to distant years in Palestine,  
He comes to claim the here and now  
and conquer every place and time.

<sup>3</sup> Not throned above, remotely high,  
untouched, unmoved by human pains,  
but daily, in the midst of life,  
our Savior with the Father reigns.

<sup>4</sup> In every insult, rift, and war  
where color, scorn or wealth divide,  
He suffers still, yet loves the more,  
and lives, though ever crucified.

<sup>5</sup> Christ is alive! His Spirit burns  
through this and every future age,  
till all creation lives and learns  
His joy, His justice, love, and praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936)

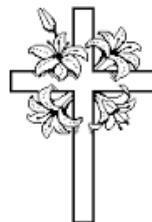
Music: Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

*Celebrant* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

## POSTLUDE

Instrumental



# Announcements

Office Hours – The office hours are Monday – Friday from 9:30-1:30 p.m.

Pledge Boxes – They are available to be picked up on Sundays and during office hours.

Coffee Hour Invite - Many have been missing coffee hour. We cannot meet physically in person, but through Zoom, we can meet digitally in person! So for the next few weeks at a minimum, we will gather for coffee hour at 11:15 on Sunday mornings after church. You can find the link in the weekly email that includes the Sunday morning bulletins and you will also be able to find and click the link on 'Important Information' section of our website. Look for 'Quick Links'. Please join us!



## Wednesday Communion In the Chapel at St. Thomas

1:00-4:00PM

&

6:30-8:30PM

(but not April 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> or 21<sup>st</sup> for the later times)

Please contact St. Thomas for a 20-Minute Slot (920) 725-5601 or  
[stthomaswi@stthomaswi.com](mailto:stthomaswi@stthomaswi.com)

Please enter using the steeple doors  
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## **Youth Ministry ([WWW.STYG.COM](http://WWW.STYG.COM))**

Junior & Senior High Youth Group (6-12 gr.) – Hello friends . . . grace and peace! As we continue to deal with COVID-19, we want to let you know that Sunday Youth Group will not be taking place until we have a typical amount of people in the building on Sunday mornings. We hope and pray that will be soon but we obviously want to be patient and safe with our decisions during this time. Thanks for understanding!

**D-Groups = Community** – On March 24<sup>th</sup>, D-Groups had, what we hope, was our FINAL ZOOM! After obviously not having any D-Groups during Holy Week, our hope and goal is to begin IN PERSON D-Groups on Wednesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>. More details will be coming online and via text, snap, email, etc. Thank you to all who have supported us thru this ongoing pandemic. Masks and Distancing will be 100% required at D-Groups until further notice. [www.styg.com/d-groups](http://www.styg.com/d-groups)



**FILM SCHOOL?** - Normally, this is the time of year when we are in the midst of a whole new slate of films for our Sunday morning spiritual formation class for 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. However, Film School will be on a break until we have a typical amount of people back in the building on Sunday mornings. Stay updated by checking out [www.styg.com/filmschool](http://www.styg.com/filmschool)

Summer Camp - Please head over to [www.diофdl.org/camp](http://www.diофdl.org/camp) to see the latest announcements about Senior, Middler, Junior, and Kinder Camp sessions. Dates have been announced and there's LOTS more to read about.

**Love Journey (aka Mission Trip)** – It is our deep prayer and hope that this summer we can do some kind of Love Journey but, like lots of things, we have to wait and see. Our trip, if we have one, could be local or, at maximum, within a 3 hour drive. We will likely not do a full week but perhaps just a few days. Please pray and continue to check out the Love Journey page on the STYG website. [www.styg.com/lovejourney](http://www.styg.com/lovejourney)

## **Pastoral Care**

Specialized Pastoral Counseling at St. Thomas - Fr. John Peterson is available for virtual counseling at St. Thomas. It will take place by phone or video. This counseling is specialized in that it will meet the need of anyone looking to be able to clear and optimize the way their mind works. It is fast and effective with many of life's problems including anxiety, depression, grief, low self-esteem, relationship issues, substance abuse, obsessions, compulsions, anger, resentment and self-destructive behaviors. When a person has a problem or an issue that needs to be addressed there are two ways to approach it. One way is "outward" when one aims at changing the outward circumstances. Another way is "inward" when one aims to change how one perceives the

situation in their mind. It is this second way, the “renewing of the mind” that is the pathway used for this healing. During these stressful and uncertain times, I want to offer you an audio exercise presented by Jon Connelly, my teacher and mentor in Rapid Resolution Therapy entitled “Ease Your Mind & Raise Your Immunity – Accelerate Healing & Relieve Anxiety.” E-mail me at [Johnpeterson2@earthlink.net](mailto:Johnpeterson2@earthlink.net) and request it. You will be blessed by it.

**FREEDOM FROM WORRY** - In Chapter 6 of Matthew Jesus tells us not to be anxious or worry. Are you finding yourself worrying about many things during this time of the pandemic? We should have concerns and it is necessary for us to take appropriate actions to benefit and protect ourselves and others. But are you worrying about things over which you have no control? Are you worrying about things for which there is no action you can take to change the situation? Worry in itself cannot fix anything but it CAN cause harm. Worry can have physical and emotional effects for the worrier and damaging effects for those around him/her. Worry can cause a lack of energy and time to do those things we can and should do. When you are ready to be FREE from WORRY request my **FREEDOM FROM WORRY** Podcast at [Johnpeterson2@earthlink.net](mailto:Johnpeterson2@earthlink.net).

## **Outreach/Missions**



**Scrip Program:** *Proceeds benefit the Mission Scholarship Fund (sending missionaries and bringing our mission partners here).*

Office hours are 9:30-1:30 p.m. Please call the office at 920-725-5601 or email Sandie at [sandieumland@gmail.com](mailto:sandieumland@gmail.com) with your order. We will get your order together and put on the table, right outside the office. Please leave your payment in an envelope on the table **OR we can also deliver your scrips to you.** Just let us know when you email or call that you would like them to be delivered. If you need to order certain ones that we don't have in stock, let Sandie know by Monday morning and she can order them. These special orders will be available to be picked up by Thursday of that week.

Scrip cards from the following merchants are typically in-stock for immediate pick up: Amazon, Applebee's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Cheddars, Chipotle Mexican Grille, Festival Foods, IHOP, Kohl's, Kwik Trip, Longhorn, Meijer, Olive Garden, Panera Bread, Papa Murphy's, P.F. Chang's, Piggly Wiggly, Roundys, Starbucks, Subway, Target, Walgreens and Wal-Mart/Sam's Club. In addition, **Scrip cards can also be ordered for over 500 of the country's biggest brands.** Scrip cards that are special ordered on Sunday mornings will be available to pick-up the following Sunday. Scrip cards can be purchased in the Parish Hall on Sunday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon, and weekdays in the church office during normal office hours.

**The following anniversaries** of members of our Parish Family will be remembered.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021 TO SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2021**

**BIRTHDAYS**

- 4 Nancy Pagel
- 5 Melanie Lawson
- Lila Roberts-Bird
- 6 Andrews Leonard
- 7 Jeanne Werbeckes
- Mike Martinson
- Carol Ferrin
- Vali Kampe
- Illyana Gietman
- 8 Peggy Langkau
- 9 Peg Dickson
- Peter Ackell
- Meggie Krautsch
- 10 Kelly Keating

**WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES**

- 9 Mike and Jennie Land (45)

**FAITHFUL DEPARTED**

- 4 Timothy Hanig
- 6 Jay Gillingham
- Thomas Nebel
- 7 Kathryn Johnston
- 9 Geraldine Hollander
- 10 Harry Hart

**MISSION PARTNER LINKS**

Double Portion with Calvary Bible Church/  
St. Patrick's Church  
Betsy Hake - Honduras  
The Revs. Allen/Rachel Hill  
Mothers' Mercy Home - Kenya

**MISSION PRAYER LINKS**

African Medical Mission  
Boy Scouts Troop 3  
Cub Scouts Pak 3003  
Carmen & Rosa and the San Lucas UCC - Chicago  
Gideon Bible Distribution Ministry  
Bishop Todd and The Rev. Patsy McGregor -  
  Madagascar  
Fr. Ian/Polly Montgomery - (SAMS)  
Wisconsin Kairos Prison Ministry

**SERVING IN THE MILITARY**

Auston Allen - Air Force  
Kyle Cooper - Army National Guard  
Mary Danner-Jones - Air Force  
Claire Kopczynski - Army National Guard  
James Kopczynski - Army National Guard  
Bruce McRae - Army Reserve  
Tim Paterson - Army Reserve  
Don Patrick - Army Reserve  
Humberto Puga - Navy  
Andrew Shaffer - Army  
Mark Sopkiw, Jr. - Army  
Matthew Verich - Navy

**DEPLOYED**

Clint Kupari - Army  
Foreign Diplomats:  
Steve Hendrix



In the wider Anglican Communion, our diocesan cycle of prayer and St. Thomas cycle of prayer, we give thanks that: Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!



## **Easter Flowers given to glorify and honor our Risen Lord! Alleluia!**

- and in memory of Jason Michael Hert, Walter and Elvera Sopkiw, Norton Ceruli, and Anna Magritz and in thanksgiving for my health, St. Thomas family, Covid vaccine and my dog, Lucy by Carol Hert
- and in loving memory of Bill and Margaret Wilson, Russ Wilson, and Ken and Mona Peterson, and in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren: Dan, KaDee and Josephine, Katie, Derek and Layla, Sarah, Matt and Kaiah by Tim and Anne Peterson
- and in loving memory of the Smith, McNeely, Van Brocklin, Peterson, and Parker families by Van Smith and family
- and in thanksgiving and cheers for our Clergy, Staff, and Vestry of St. Thomas by Walter and Lynn Scott
- and in memory of Ray Ryerson, Harold and Margaret Elder, Adolph and Daisy Eichwald, James and Leona Elder, Fred and Leona Bredael, Mary Margaret Elder, Margaret Mary Elder, Robert Eichwald, Leverne and Edith Ryerson, Dorothy and Bill Miottel, Richard and Beverly Ryerson and Janet Ryerson by Kathie Ryerson
- and in memory of Darlene Morton, Charles and Kathryn Morton, Marriam and Robert Stanek, George and Barb Hora and Ella P by David and Sherry Morton
- and in memory of Hugh Nolin by Debby Nolin
- and in memory of Chuck Osier by Judy Osier
- and in memory of Willis and Leona Umland, Marion Meartz, and Lucy Schmidt by the Umland family
- and in memory of Jerry and Nancy Slaasted by Debbie Bergen, Bill Slaasted and Sandie Umland
- and in memory of Juanita Wiser, Albert Wiser, Jr., Lisa Wiser, Clarence Jameson, Albert Wiser, Sr., Louise Wiser, Mildred Wiser, William Wiser, Edna Wiser, Thomas LeMasters, Hobert Powers, Nancy Powers and Grace Brown by Karen D. Powers
- and in memory of Richard L. Carroll by Rich Carroll
- and in thanksgiving for family by Dan and Joanna Siracusa
- and in memory of John and Jane Block, Todd Block, John Van Rooy, John and Louise Dombeck, and Tom DeBraal and in thanksgiving for our children and grandchildren and our St. Thomas family by Jack and Nancy Dombeck
- and in memory of Tom and Carol Steinfert by Peggy Langkau
- and in memory of Jim Gustman, Carol and Tom Steinfert by Sally Gustman
- and in memory of Giles and Kathleen Woolf by Steve Woolf
- and in memory of Jan Hull, Jerry and Sandy Keating by the Keating family

*The Easter Lilies on the Processional Cross are in loving memory of Dean and Susan McNeely by Van Smith and our family.*

# MISSION PARTNER PRAYER REQUESTS FOR APRIL 2021

## DOUBLE PORTION: [www.doubleportionsoupkitchen.com](http://www.doubleportionsoupkitchen.com)

Praise God for:

- The faithful service of volunteers Ross Christman and Jon Sams who recently went home to be with Jesus
- All the years of service of many workers who feed the hungry in our area and who spread God's love through conversations with guests

Prayer Requests:

- For donations of canned meats and fruits, cereal and paper products.
- For the end of COVID restrictions so we can return to sit down meals and fellowship

## MOTHERS' MERCY HOME – DIOCESE OF MT KENYA SOUTH: [www.mmhpp.org](http://www.mmhpp.org)

Praise God for:

- His care for the MMH family, for provision of food, clothing, shelter and education, and for Partners with whom we are able to share and pray

Prayer Requests:

- For the 19 students preparing for Primary level and 3 for Secondary level exams. For relief of anxiety, fear, sickness, etc. during this time.
- For these students transition to another level which is always difficult
- For the student's guardians

## BETSY HAKE – JERICHO MINISTRIES IN HONDURAS: [www.settingthecaptivesfree.org](http://www.settingthecaptivesfree.org)

Prayer Requests:

- For funds to build our school out at the Villa
- For wisdom for Miriam as she makes our Master Plan
- For God's guidance as we shift to caring for our children in smaller family settings
- For divine strategies to minister the Truth to our children, many of whom are now teens
- That God would use COVID to bring many into the knowledge that Jesus is the Truth, the Way, and the Life and that no one goes to the Father except through Jesus
- For the publication of "The Road to Jericho". We are close now!

## REVS. ALLEN & RACHEL HILL: [www.samusa.org/missionaries-frames01.html](http://www.samusa.org/missionaries-frames01.html)

Prayer Requests:

- For Rachel as she steps back from ministry for at least the next 6 months to take care of the family's educational, emotional and physical well-being.
- For grace to deal with isolation from friends, online schooling, lack of organized sporting activities, high anxiety and challenges associated with ADHD
- For healing where our hearts have been wounded and protection from evil
- For improved health and new ministry opportunities for Rachel's parents, Bishop Bill and Judith Godfrey