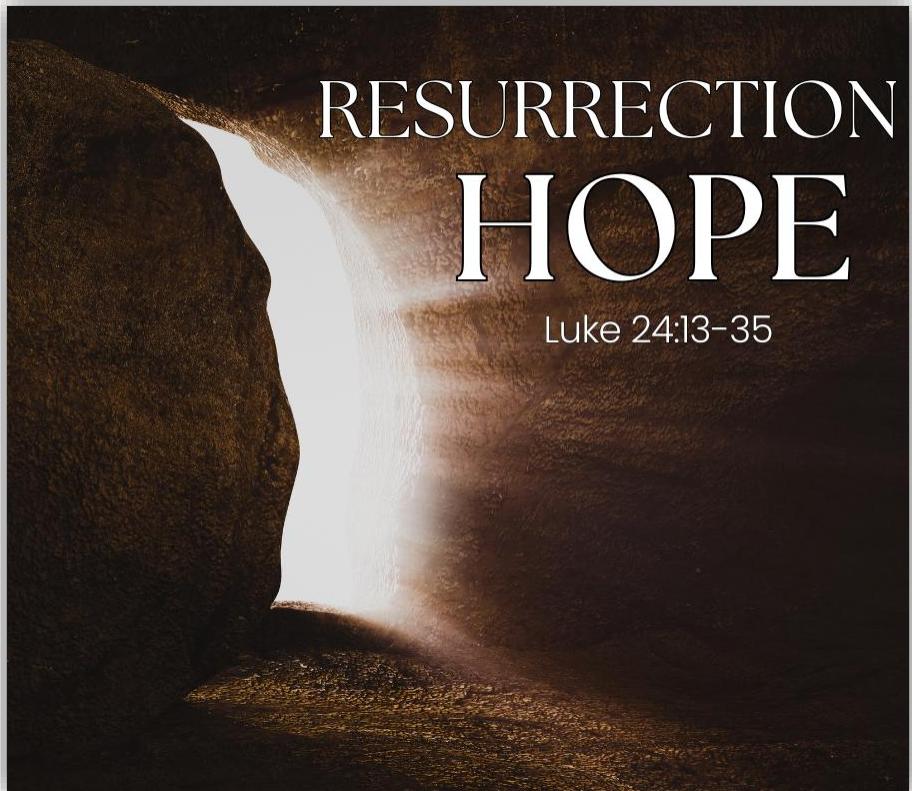


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# RESURRECTION HOPE

Luke 24:13-35



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**April 20, 2025**

WORDS OF WELCOME

OPENING PRAYER

ORGAN & PIANO DUET

Sergisson

*"The Risen Christ"*

LENTEN READING

SPECIAL MUSIC *"He is Risen"*

COMMUNITY BUILDING

Announcements

*Please pass the Friendship Pad*

\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

\*OPENING HYMN

Screen

*"Christ Arose with Christ the Lord is Risen Today"*

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*"Resurrection Hope"*

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\*HYMN

*"He Lives"*

Screen

PASTORAL PRAYER

GIVING OF HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

**Mealbarrow Sunday** is the Sunday set aside to bring items for our local food bank to benefit those in need.

Prayer

Offertory

Stairs

*"In the Easter Garden"*

\*Doxology

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\*CLOSING PRAYER

\*OUR TRADITION *"Hallelujah Chorus"*

\*POSTLUDE

Blake

*"Christ Triumphant"*

\*Please stand in body or in spirit\*

## Resurrection Hope

Luke 24:13-35

1. Jesus knows \_\_\_\_\_ we are \_\_\_\_\_. V 13
2. Jesus knows \_\_\_\_\_. V 17
3. Jesus knows \_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_. V 21
4. Their \_\_\_\_\_ gave them a \_\_\_\_\_.  
vs 33-34

## I Corinthians 15:14

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Everyone is welcome to join the choir at the end of the service for our tradition of singing the Hallelujah Chorus.

### Serving Our Congregation Today

Preacher: Kevin Richardson

Worship Leader: 8:15 Mary Etta Reinhart

Lenten Reading: 8:15 Janae McMichael

Children's Story: 10:30 Janae McMichael

Special Music: 8:15 Adult Choir

Organist: 8:15 Carolyn Wenger

Pianist: 8:15 Joanne Hershey

Sound Tech: 8:15 Ed Heidinger II

10:30 Joshua Auker

Stream Tech: 8:15 Ed Heidinger II

10:30 Jackson Houghton

Welcomers: 8:15 Ken & Connie Rutt

9:30 Lars & Peggy Rasmussen

10:30 Mike & Tracy Mauger

Greeters: 8:15 Kathy & Traci Homsher

10:30 Brad & Bobbie Davis

Nursery: 9:30 Paige Herr

10:30 Heather Kreider & Ann Shelley

Ushers: 8:15 Ken & Connie Rutt

Rufus & Sharon Kreider

10:30 Karl & Sue Auker

Dennis & Glenda Findley

Praise Team: 10:30 Cameryn Deibler, Phil Hershey, Jake Holzhauer,

Lori Holzhauer, Hannah & Kennedy Kreider,

Ellie Mankin, Caitlyn Mauger, Jeremy Stoltzfus,

Katherine Tshudy

## 10:30 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

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### WELCOME

### \*SONGS OF WORSHIP

*"Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)"*

*"King of Kings"*

### COMMUNITY BUILDING

#### Announcements

*Please pass the Friendship Pad*

#### Morning Prayer

#### Offering

**Mealbarrow Sunday** is the Sunday set aside to bring items for our local food bank to benefit those in need.

*"Death was Arrested"*

### KID'S SERMON

### MESSAGE

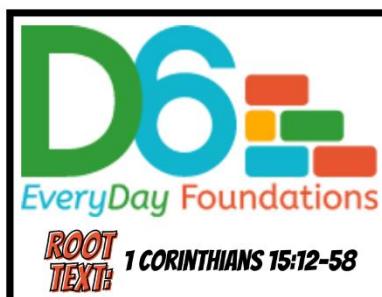
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### \*CLOSING SONG

*"Gone"*

### \*CLOSING PRAYER



**THIS WEEKS FAMILY THEME:**  
**THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE RESURRECTION**

**DISCIPLE EVERY GENERATION:**  
TALK ABOUT THIS AROUND THE TABLE... WHY IS THE  
RESURRECTION OF JESUS ESSENTIAL TO OUR FAITH?

# Sermon *Notes*

TODAY IS:

**SERMON TITLE:**

## Notes:

### Key verses:

## Worship Songs:

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### *Prayers:*

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## 2025 April Church Board Highlights

- Thirty-three of thirty-five members were present.
- Senior Essay information has been distributed to high school seniors to be submitted by May 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Clarification from the Stewards Commission that while Board approval was given to transfer money from the Strategic Vision Funds to the General Fund due to a shortfall in giving at the beginning of the year, no funds have been transferred at this time.
- Will continue to brainstorm creative ideas on promoting stewardship.
- Thank you to all who participated in the Spring lawn clean-up on April 12<sup>th</sup>. While the weather was not as nice as hoped, lots of tasks were completed.
- The Witness Commission will be working with a member of the congregation who has volunteered to formulate a plan for a Welcoming New Families ministry.
- Love Feast will be held Thursday, April 17, 2025
- A Door Security Policy was approved with a committee formed to work out the logistics.
- On the recommendation of the Gifts Discernment Committee, the Board approved the following individuals to be confirmed at the Spring Congregational Meeting. They will be filling the following terms of office that have been vacated on the board due to resignations: Amber Criswell (COMB), Doreen Creighton (Moderator)
- Approval was given to Women's Ministries to open their own bank account, which will be funded entirely by their ministries.



## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### **Men's Work will meet Monday, April 21 at 7 pm.**

All are welcome to join for the next **Grace Marriage** Church-wide date night on Friday, April 25 from 6:30-8 pm. If you're not already registered, do so with the information on the table in the Gathering Area.

### **MESSAGES FOR THE BODY**

**A BIG THANK YOU** for anyone that helped pack food or gave money to Feed My Starving Children at Willow Street. A few facts:

- Goal: Pack 400,000 meals. **Packed** 412,128  
(Will feed 1,129 children one meal a day for one year)
- Goal: 2000 volunteer workers. Actual: 1,678
- Goal: \$118,000 to cover the cost of meals. Actual: \$94,000

278 pounds of food were donated to Lancaster Co. Food Hub

### **Save the Date for 2026! Mobile Pack is March 20-22**

If anyone would still like to donate money for meals, make checks payable to FMSC and give to Carolyn Wenger.

**We are streaming on YouTube.** The link is shared on Friday with Pastor Kevin's column and posted on Facebook. This will help us bypass the third party we are using for the stream being pushed to YouTube and Facebook and should help solve the current audio/video sync issues. Contact Ed Heidinger with any questions.

**SLC Community Choirs presents Sacred Stories in Song - A Walk Through Scripture** will be performed Friday, May 2 at Lancaster Church of the Brethren at 7 PM, and Sunday, May 4 at Chestnut Level Presbyterian Church at 3 PM.

**Attention OAKS:** New activities have been posted on the bulletin board. Please stop by for more information and sign up!! Envelopes and a basket are available for upcoming events in the office.

**Men's Bible Study** will not meet again until September 20. Consider joining us this fall!

**Christ's Home** Spring Fundraising Dinner is Thursday, May 15 at 6 pm. The speaker will be Nathaniel Deen, a former child resident of Christ's Home. For more information visit <https://christshome.givecloud.co/springdinner25>. If you are unable to attend, and would like to help sponsor the event, forms are available in the office.

## OTHER IMPORTANT INFO

Our **Nursery is available** and staffed with caring adults for children ages 0-4 during the service.

**Check your family mailboxes** and your **commission mailboxes** weekly for important information.

Announcements for the bulletin are due **by 12 Noon on Wednesdays**. They may be placed in the **Office** mailbox or e-mailed to [church@mgcb.org](mailto:church@mgcb.org). *Announcements may be edited for length.*

**Items for projection and sound** during the service **are needed by 12 NOON Wednesday**. This will ensure enough time for copyright analysis if needed.

**To place flowers** in the church on Sunday for anniversaries, birthdays, or other celebrations, please contact the church office.

**All building use requests/event scheduling** should be done through the church office between the hours of 9 am and 2 pm, or email [church@mgcb.org](mailto:church@mgcb.org).

Looking for **Youth Roots events**? Text your first and last name and "youth events" to 844.564.6146.

**To receive e-communications** contact the church office. If for some reason, you are **currently subscribed and not receiving them**, contact Ed at [edh@mgcb.org](mailto:edh@mgcb.org).

**Solanco Food Bank Needs:** SPAM and other canned meats, pork and beans (15/16 oz cans), pudding cups, mayonnaise, Triscuit/Wheat Thins, juice boxes, canned pears, microwave popcorn, granola bars and peanut butter snack crackers. Items may be placed in the Mealbarrow in the Gathering Area

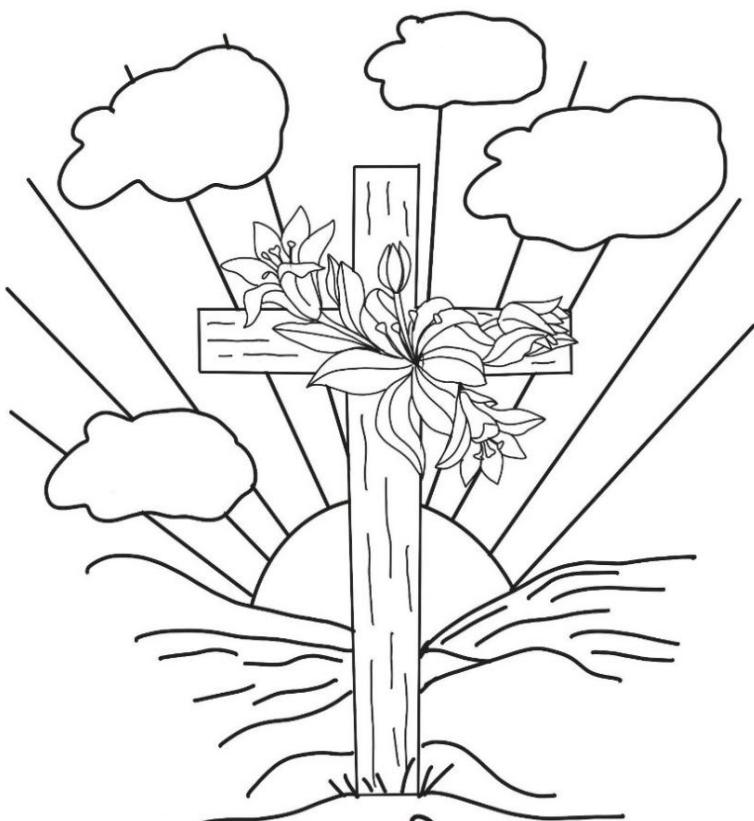
### April 13, 2025 - Financial Report

General Offering	\$7,583.00	In Person Attendance	210
Online Offering	\$90.00	Sunday School	125
Building Maintenance Fund	\$81.00	Online Attendees	28
Strategic Vision	\$0.00		

**2025 Offering envelopes are available in the office**

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He is Risen

## **Activities for the Week of April 20, 2025**

Mon:	6:00 am	Renovare Bible Study - Zoom
	7:00 pm	Men's Work - room 14
Tues:	9:15 am	D-Group - room 209
	10:00 am	Painting Group
	10:45 am	LIFT - room 304
Wed:	1:45 pm	Bible Adventure
	6:30 pm	Adult Bible Study - room 14
	6:30 pm	Praise Team - Sanctuary
	6:30 pm	Community AA Meeting - room 207
	7:30 pm	Adult Choir - room 14
Thurs:	9:00 am	Sisters in Christ Bible Study - room 14
	9:15 am	BOLD - room 204
	10:45 am	LIFT - room 304
	6:30 pm	Adult Bells - room 203
Fri:	10:00 am	Mom's Ministry - room 304
	6:30 pm	Marriage Ministry
Sat:	8:00 am	Spring into (Camp) Swatara

## **Next Sunday, April 27, 2025 Birthday Offering**

8:15 am Traditional Worship

### **Questions from Young Disciples series**

*"What is Heaven like?"*

Scripture: Revelation 22:1-6

Pastor Kevin Richardson

9:30 am Sunday School for ALL ages

10:30 am Contemporary Worship

10:30 am Grow Groups grades 2-5

3 pm FLC RESERVED

7 pm Women's Spring Bible Study

# Core Values

## *Unconditional Love*

- † "Come as you are"
- † A welcoming family
- † An inviting family
- † A friendly family
- † Romans 12:13; I John 4:7

## *Faithful Service*

- † Giving (Time, Talent & Treasure)
- † Local & global outreach
- † Matthew 10:42; James 2:14-17

## *Developing Disciples*

- † Small Groups
- † Children and Youth ministries
- † Caring and learning together
- † Matthew 28:19-20; Acts 2:42

## *Jesus Centered Worship*

- † Prayer
- † Biblical preaching
- † Praise
- † Glorifying God
- † Colossians 3:15-17

## *Lifestyle Witness*

- † Living the example of Jesus
- † Teaching about Jesus
- † I Peter 3:15; I John 2:5-6
- I Corinthians 6:19

## *Anabaptist Heritage*

- † Brethren New Testament beliefs (believers' baptism, Love Feast, Anointing, Peace)
- † Continuing the work of Jesus. Peacefully. Simply. Together.
- † Matthew 5:9; Hebrews 12:1-2
- James 5:13-15

## **Our Mission**

We, the Mechanic Grove Church of the Brethren, seek to glorify God through worship and to nurture the Body of Christ. We are dedicated to sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and will share the promise of Salvation through words, deeds, and actions.

## **Our Vision**

To glorify God through Jesus-centered worship and to take His Love into our local and global community through our faithful service, giving and outreach. While affirming our unique Brethren heritage of New Testament beliefs, we welcome all to "come as you are." We believe that by nurturing believers, striving to be more like Jesus, and witnessing with our lifestyle, we will learn and grow together as disciples.

## **Additional Staff**

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