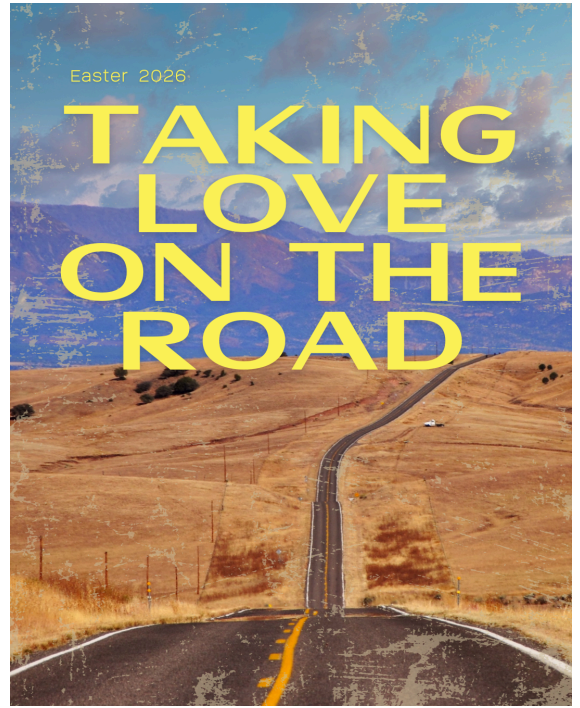


Easter Season
 April 26, 2026
 Holy Communion
 8:15 a.m



GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Statio *a holy pause to set aside what we are carrying and come together as one body*

Please rise in body or spirit as you are able.

GATHERING SONG *The King of Love*



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness



1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
 4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I



1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-less-tial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
God be with you. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray: O God, whose Son Jesus one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

Please be seated

FIRST READING

Psalm 23

O God, you are my shepherd;

I shall not be in want.

You make me lie down in green pastures

And lead me beside still waters.

You revive my soul and guide me along right pathways

For the sake of your Name.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil,

For you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;

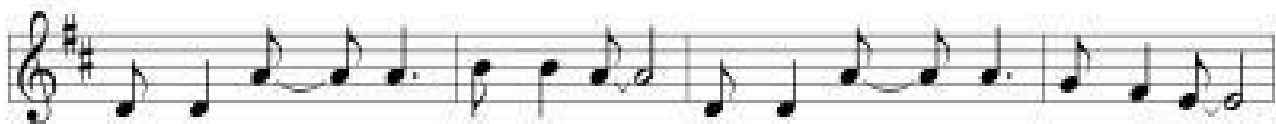
You have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

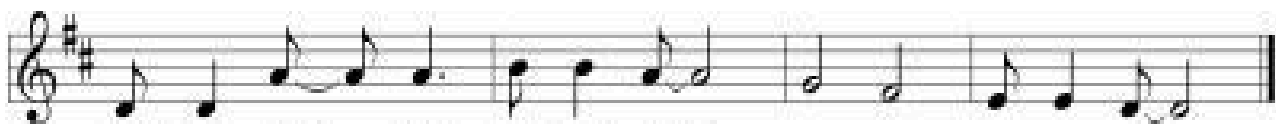
And I will dwell in the house of God for ever.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People. **Thanks be to God.**

Come by Here



- 1 Come by here, Lord, come by here; come by here, Lord, come by here;
- 2 Some-one needs you, Lord, come by here; some-one needs you, Lord, come by here;
- 3 Send a bless-ing, Lord, come by here; send a bless-ing, Lord, come by here;



come by here, Lord, come by here.
some-one needs you, Lord, come by here. O Lord, come by here.
send a bless-ing, Lord, come by here.

Please rise in body or spirit as you are able

GOSPEL

John 10:1-10

The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

Glory to you, O Christ.

[Jesus said:] “Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers.” Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them.

So again Jesus said to them, “Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

REFLECTION AND DISCUSSION *Please be seated.*

PRAYER

The Holy Spirit prays with us and through us.

Please rise in body or spirit as you are able.

Let us join our voices to the Church: past, present and future and declare again our beliefs as written in the 4th Century:

**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,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.
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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

Call to Offering Ascribe to God the honor due God's Name; bring offerings and come into God's courts. *Psalm 96:8*



Every investment in Beloved Community helps us to do and be Love in the world. Thank you! You can use the QR code to go to our online giving page at Breeze Church Management

Or you can text to give at 715-233-8600; just text "give"

*All Offerings can go into the offering plates **or** the buckets. Our children often go around with buckets. 1st Sunday of month any loose offering goes to our discretionary funds; all other Sundays it goes toward Beloved Community + our ministries.*

GIVING SONG *My Shepard Will Supply My Need*



1 My Shep - herd will sup - ply my need, Je - ho - vah
2 When I walk through the shades of death, thy pres - ence
3 The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me



is his Name; _____ in pas - tures fresh he
is my stay; _____ one word of thy sup -
all my days; _____ oh, may thy house be



makes me feed be - side the liv - ing stream.____
port - ing breath drives all my fears a - way.____
mine a - bode and all my work be praise.____



He brings my wan - dering spi - rit back when I for -
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my
There would I find a sett - led rest, while o - thers



sake his ways, _____ and leads me, for his
ta - ble spread; _____ my cup with bless - ings
go and come; _____ no more a stran - ger



mer - cy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.____
o - ver - flows, thy oil a - noints my head.____
or a guest, but like a child at home.____

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**Optional text:*

Bless - ed is the one

Holy and gracious Source of all Being...

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, **"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."**

After supper, he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, **"Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."**

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption... now and forever.

Celebrant *People*

A - men.

Our Loving God in heaven,
 Holy is your name.
 May your reign come, on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day 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 is yours,
 Now and forever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

At Beloved Community, all are invited to the Communion Table. You may come and receive our blessed, gluten-free bread and blessed wine/juice OR you may receive a blessing (simply cross your arms on your chest). We believe that the real presence of Christ is here with us in Communion.

Our gluten-free bread is made from gluten-free baking flour, eggs, water, olive oil, molasses, honey and baking soda.

What happens at Communion? In the Episcopal and ELCA-Lutheran traditions, we believe that the risen Christ is somehow present in communion because that is the promise. How exactly? That is the mystery. Some of us believe Christ is in the bread and wine; some believe that Christ is within the presence of the table as we gather, but we do believe Christ is here – and that we are the living Bread of Christ in the World. As we take in the bread and the wine, we are reminded of our interdependence and connection with all of humanity and with the suffering of all of humanity – Communion with all of Creation. We remain open to the truth that there is always more to know. Most importantly, we strive to come with open hearts and minds and simply allow Love (who is God) to meet us in this gathering.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Yahweh, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

You are a child of God.... Holy Trinity be upon you as you leave this place. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG *Bring Forth the Kingdom*



1. You are salt for the earth, O peo - ple:
2. You are a light on the hill, O peo - ple:
3. You are a seed of the Word, O peo - ple:
4. We are a blest and a pil - grim peo - ple:



Salt for the King-dom of God! Share the fla - vor of
Light for the Cit - y of God! Shine so ho - ly and
Bring forth the King-dom of God! Seeds of mer - cy and
Bound for the King-dom of God! Love our jour - ney and

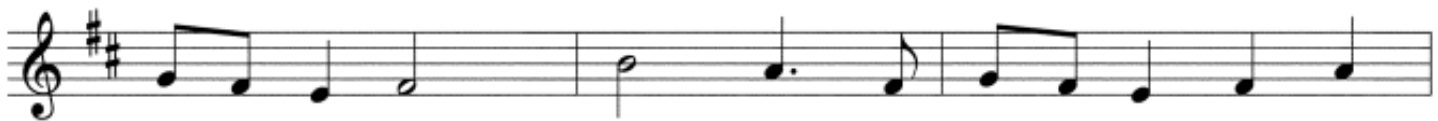


life, O peo - ple: Life in the King-dom of God!
bright, O peo - ple: Shine for the King-dom of God!
seeds of jus - tice, Grow in the King-dom of God!
love our home - land: Love is the King-dom of God!

Refrain



Bring forth the King-dom of mer - cy, Bring forth the



King-dom of peace; Bring forth the King-dom of jus - tice,



Bring forth the Cit - y of God!

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DISMISSAL

Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace and love boldly.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

"i thank You God for this amazing"

i thank You God for most this amazing
day: for the leaping greenly spirits of trees
and a blue true dream of sky; and for everything
which is natural which is infinite which is yes

(i who have died am alive again today,
and this is the sun's birthday; this is the birth
day of life and of love and wings: and of the gay
great happening illimitably earth)

how should tasting touching hearing seeing
breathing any—lifted from the no
of all nothing—human merely being
doubt unimaginable You?

(now the ears of my ears awake and
now the eyes of my eyes are opened)

e. e. Cummings