

**Lancaster
Presbyterian
Church**

*A Congregation of
the Evangelical
Presbyterian Church*

Rev. Dr. Kelly Negus
Senior Pastor

Raffi Wright
*Director of Youth & Music
Ministries*

**The Ten Biblical Principles
of Revitalization:**

1. Remember God's faithfulness.
2. Repent continually.
3. Be gospel driven and Christ centered.
4. Pray without ceasing.
5. Minister the word.
6. Cultivate spiritual formation.
7. Engage clear vision, mission and values.
8. Equip empowering servant leaders.
9. Build small groups.
10. Pursue Great Commission discipleship.

Welcome to Resurrection Sunday Worship

Sunday, April 5, 2026

John 20:19-23 (1085)
Next-level Peace
Gaelen Negus



If you purchased an Easter Memorial flower, please remember to take it home following this morning's Resurrection Sunday service.

Purpose:

**For God's glory
we are committed
to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ
in all we say and all we do
to make and equip disciples
in our families, our community, and the world.**

Core Values:

**We believe in the authority of Scripture
and we affirm
the historic teachings
of Reformed Christianity.**

Welcome to Resurrection Sunday Worship

April 5, 2026 ~ 9:30 AM

Welcome

Please sign the Friendship pad as it is passed through the pew, returning it to the side aisle.

Large Print Bulletins and

Hearing Assistance Devices

are available
An usher will assist you.

Child Care is provided through kindergarten in room 217 on the 2nd floor. An usher will guide you.

Prayer Cards are available for special prayer requests. Prayer cards can be found in the pew envelope holders and as you enter the balcony. They can be placed in the offering basket. A wooden box in the back of the sanctuary is available for confidential prayer requests.

Please silence your cell phone.

**Stand, if able*

A Prelude Because Jesus Lives!

Hannah Cuthbertson, violin; Raffi Wright, piano

Welcome and Friendship Pad – Kevin Selkregg

Call to Worship

(Adapted from Psalm 85, Micah 5, Psalm 29)

I will hear what God the LORD will say;
For He will speak peace to His people, to His godly-ones!

His times of coming forth are from long ago,
from the days of eternity...

And He will arise and shepherd *His flock!*
This One will be *our* peace!

Graciousness and truth have met together!
Righteousness and peace have kissed each other!

The LORD sat as King at the flood;
Yea, the LORD sits as King forever!
The LORD will give refuge to His people;
The LORD will bless His people with peace!

Hymn: *Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Red Hymnal #289

Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia
Sons of men and angels say Alleluia
Raise your joys and triumphs high Alleluia
Sing ye heavens and earth reply Alleluia

Lives again our glorious King Alleluia
Where O death is now thy sting Alleluia
Dying once He all doth save Alleluia
Where thy victory O grave Alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done Alleluia
Fought the fight the battle won Alleluia
Death in vain forbids Him rise Alleluia
Christ has opened paradise Alleluia



Sing we to our God above Alleluia
Praise eternal as His love Alleluia
Praise Him all ye heavenly hosts Alleluia
Father, Son and Holy Ghost Alleluia

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Almighty Father, Prince of Peace, Spirit of Truth,
You are enthroned in glory over Your creation!
Jesus, You have triumphed over Satan, sin, and death;
You are the worthy King!
We, Your holy-ones, call on Your name.
In the face of the satanic forces of this world,
We declare our allegiance to You,
For You and You alone are LORD of heaven and earth!
Heavenly King, we acknowledge that we stumble daily,
And fall short of what you call us to be.
Convict us, humble us, forgive us,
As we confess our sins in the silence of this moment.

Silent Confession

LORD, *You* were pierced for our transgressions,
And bruised for our iniquities;
They are no more!
Thank You for Your great salvation!
We pray in Jesus' Name,
AMEN

Children's Message: Debi Eaton

Hymn: *Christ Arose

Red Hymnal #298

Low in the grave He lay, Jesus, my Savior!
Waiting the coming day, Jesus, my Lord!

Chorus:

*Up from the grave He arose, with a mighty triumph o'er His foes
He arose a victor from the dark domain, and He lives forever with His saints to reign
He arose! He arose! Hallelujah! Christ arose!*

Vainly they watched His bed, Jesus, my Savior!
Vainly they sealed the dead, Jesus, my Lord!

Chorus

Death could not keep his prey, Jesus, my Savior!
He tore the bars away, Jesus, my Lord!

Chorus

Prayer for Illumination
John 20:19-23
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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

The Westminster Confession of Faith: Chapter 34, Paragraph 3

The Holy Spirit,
whom the Father is ever willing to give to all who ask him,
is the only efficient agent in the application of redemption.
He regenerates men by his grace,
convicts them of sin, moves them to repentance,
and persuades and enables them to embrace Jesus Christ by faith.
He unites all believers to Christ,
dwells in them as their comforter and sanctifier,
gives to them the spirit of adoption and prayer,
and performs all these gracious offices
by which they are sanctified and sealed
unto the day of redemption.

Worship with Tithes and Offerings

Offertory: *Coronation* ~ Craig Courtney

LPC Chancel Choir

***Doxology**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Women: Praise Him above ye heavenly host Men: Praise Him above ye heavenly host

Women: Praise, Father Son Men: Praise, Father Son

Women: Praise, Father Son Men: Praise, Father Son

All: Praise, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

***Benediction**

Parting Song: *Because He Lives

Red Hymnal #292

God sent His Son, they called Him Jesus

He came to love, heal and forgive

He lived and died to buy my pardon

And empty grave is there to prove my Savior lives

Chorus:

Because He lives I can face tomorrow

Because He lives all fear is gone

Because I know He holds the future

And life is worth the living just because He lives

How sweet to hold a newborn baby

And feel the pride and joy He gives

But greater still the calm assurance

This child can face uncertain days because He lives

Chorus

And then one day I'll cross the river

I'll fight life's final war with pain

And then as death gives way to victory

I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives!

Chorus

Postlude

Raffi Wright, LPC Youth & Music Director

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth who was crucified; He is risen . . .

— Mark 16:6

EASTER HYMN

"Lyra Davidica"

Descant by Paul Sjolund

Charles Wesley
Descant

3, 4 Ah — Al - le - lu - ia! Ah —

- 1 Christ the Lord is risen to-day,
- 2 *Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,*
- 3 Love's re - deem - ing work is done,
- *4 Sing we to our God a - bove,

Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Ah

- 1 Sons of men and an - gels say:
- 2 *Where, O death, is now thy sting?*
- 3 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won,
- 4 Praise e - ter - nal as His love;

Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al -

- 1 Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,
- 2 *Dy - ing once, He all doth save,*
- 3 Death in vain for - bids Him rise,
- 4 Praise Him, all ye heaven - ly host,

Al - le - lu - ia!

*Fourth verse to be sung more broadly, and in unison.

le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

- 1 Sing, ye heavens, and earth re - ply:
 - 2 *Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave?*
 - 3 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise,
 - 4 *Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.*
- Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

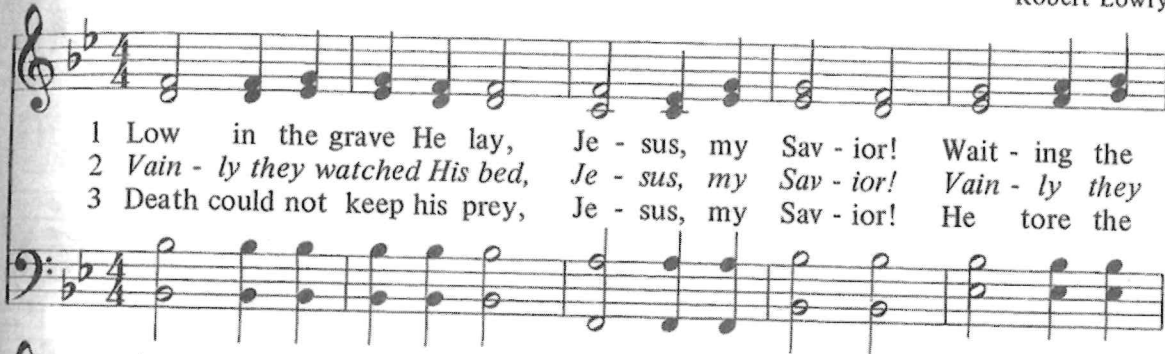
Christ Arose

Thou hast led captivity . . .

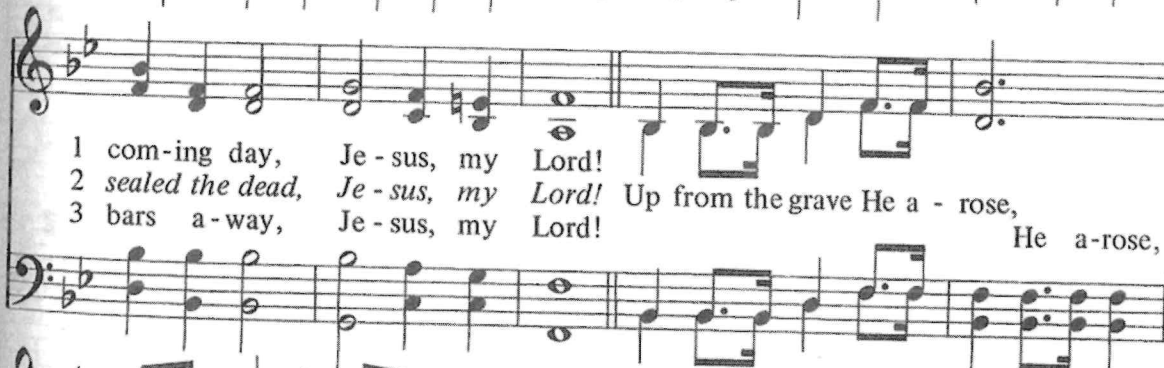
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Robert Lowry

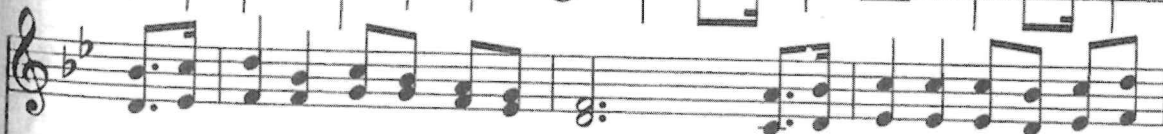
CHRIST AROSE
Robert Lowry



1 Low in the grave He lay, Je - sus, my Sav - ior! Wait - ing the
2 Vain - ly they watched His bed, Je - sus, my Sav - ior! Vain - ly they
3 Death could not keep his prey, Je - sus, my Sav - ior! He tore the



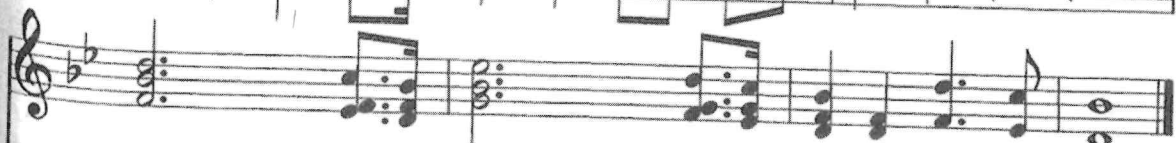
1 com - ing day, Je - sus, my Lord!
2 sealed the dead, Je - sus, my Lord! Up from the grave He a - rose,
3 bars a - way, Je - sus, my Lord! He a - rose,



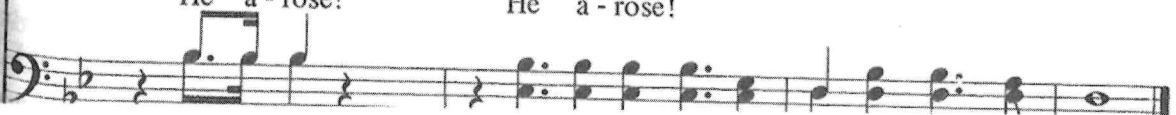
With a might - y tri - umph o'er His foes; He a - rose a vic - tor from the
He a - rose;



dark do - main, And He lives for - ev - er with His saints to reign; He a -



rose! He a - rose! Hal - le - lu - jah! Christ a - rose!
He a - rose! He a - rose!



Because He Lives

Because I live, ye shall live also. — John 14:19

RESURRECTION

William J. Gaither

Final chorus arranged by Ronn Huff

Gloria Gaither
William J. Gaither

1 God sent His Son, they called Him Je - sus, He came to love,
2 How sweet to hold a new-born ba - by, And feel the pride,
3 And then one day I'll cross the riv - er, I'll fight life's fi -

1 heal, and for - give; He lived and died to buy my
2 and joy He gives; But great - er still the calm as -
3 nal war with pain; And then as death gives way to

1 par-don, An emp - ty grave is there to prove my Sav - ior lives.
2 sur-ance, This child can face un - cer-tain days be-cause He lives.
3 vic-tory, I'll see the lights of glo-ry and I'll know He lives.

Be-cause He lives I can face to - mor-row, Be-cause He lives

all fear is gone; Be-cause I know He holds the

fu-ture. And life is worth the liv - ing just be-cause He lives.

Congregation sing melody in unison; accompaniment play as written.

3 lives. (Be-cause He lives I can face to -

mor - row; Be-cause He lives all fear is

gone; Be-cause I know He holds the fu - ture,

And life is worth the liv-ing just be-cause He lives!)

Praying for Our Family

Pastor Kelly
Mike Eaton
KC Carlsen
Jeremy Miller
Lisa Dunbar
Dianne Perry
Judy Cavanaugh
Bill Stortz
Helen Markham
Carole Schafer
Mike Eaton
Doris Moranski
Violet Chaves
Judy Martin
Don Flaig

Home Members

Shirley Richard
Nancy Patterson
Dave Breckenridge
Millie Epolito
Jackie Harbold
Judy Kish

Military Personnel:

Thomas Carlsen II

Prayer Ministry:

All prayer requests can be emailed to the church office at office@l-p-c.org, or simply complete the form on our church website.

April is Pastor Appreciation Month

Please take time this month to write your own thank you in your own words to let Pastor Kelly know how much you have appreciated his ministry at LPC for the last 20 years.

Feel free to add a photo, family memory and/or anything that he would find meaningful.

Please send your letter directly to his home (call the church office for the address).

Our hope is that Pastor Kelly receives the letters throughout April. Please feel free to send the letter anytime during the month.

Stay tuned for more details on upcoming events in April as we continue Pastor Appreciation Month for our beloved Pastor Kelly.

Pastor Appreciation Month - Soup Sunday Luncheon Sunday, April 19th @ 12:00pm

All are invited to this FREE soup luncheon, no RSVP needed! Invite your family, friends & neighbors as we honor Pastor Kelly. If you would like to help and provide soup, bread or dessert, please sign up on the sheet on the Information Table.

SAVE THE DATE! Sunday, May 3rd - Ice Cream Social in Waith Hall, following our Adult Education hour. *Additional details coming soon.*

Meal Train for the Neguses If you would like to provide a meal for the Neguses, there is a Meal Train organized. The link is shared on the LPC Facebook page and was sent through the prayer chain. If you would like assistance with scheduling or delivering please contact Beth Manley or the church office. Please note that Thursdays have been added!

Pictures taken at church events are often used for publicity, especially on the church's website.

If you do not want you or your child's picture used, please contact the church office. It will be assumed that it is okay to use your picture if we do not hear from you. Please respond no later than Friday, April 10th.

Church Custodian

Lancaster Presbyterian Church seeking Church Custodian.

Prior custodial, janitorial, or basic maintenance experience preferred.

Part-Time; 20-30 hours per week.

Interested parties may submit resume or CV to office@L-P-C.org.

Prayer Gathering—Monday, April 13th @ 1:00pm in the Church Library

ANNOUNCING Camp Duffield 2026!

We are excited for another year at Camp Duffield, running Sunday, June 28 at 2:00 PM through Friday, July 3 at 10:00 AM. This year's camp is open to students completing grades 3–6, with Outpost available for those finishing grades 7–8.

Space is limited and fills quickly, especially for Outpost.

REGISTRATION IS OPEN! Visit <https://l-p-c.org/ministries/summer-camp/> for all registration details and to register your child online.

Registration will close on June 1.

We are looking forward to a wonderful week together at camp! Please join us in praying for the youth and staff as we ask the Lord to meet us in a powerful way at Duffield this year.

If you have any questions, please see Aurelius and Megan Chaves. With questions regarding online registration, please see Raffi Wright.

Wednesday Family Night 2026

Awana Clubs @ LPC



Awana Clubs at LPC for:

- **Cubbies** (ages 3 – PreK)
- **Sparks** (K–2nd)
- **T&T** (3rd–6th).

It's never too late to sign up to attend!

Please sign up to join us by using the link found on our website under Youth Ministry. Signing up ahead of time helps us to plan for accurate materials!

No Family Night & Awana Clubs - Wednesday, April 8th

Junior & Senior High Youth Group (7th –12th grade)

Join the [GroupMe](#) to stay in the loop for all upcoming events!



Saturday, April 18 - Youth Group Dinner, Bible, Musical Worship, Games & Fellowship (5:30pm to 7:30pm)

Saturday, April 25 - Service Project As part of LPC's Pastor Appreciation Month, we will be doing some spring cleaning at the Negus home. Lunch will be provided. (10am to 1pm) *Address available in the GroupMe.*

We are looking for Senior High Helpers/CITs for this summer's Camp Duffield! Please see Raffi if you are interested.

Contact Raffi Wright, LPC Youth & Music Director with questions (raffi@L-P-C.org).

Mighty Warriors Sunday School Class

April 12, April 26

Come and grow in the Lord. He LOVES YOU! King David writes in Psalm 52: 8b

"I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever." May God be glorified!

In His Service, Mrs. Miller

National Day of Prayer - Thursday, May 7, 2026

"On Thursday, May 7, 2026 we will observe the **75th Annual National Day of Prayer**, arriving in the same season that America commemorates the **250th anniversary of our nation's birth**. This convergence is not accidental, it's providential. We believe it is a sacred invitation from God. A moment calling His people to humility, repentance, and a renewed dependence on Him." ~National Day of Prayer Task Force

This year's theme: "**Glorify God Among the Nations, Seeking Him in All Generations**". Scripture calls us to "*Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples.*" (1 Chronicles 16:24, NASB)

LPC offers two opportunities to participate in the National Day of Prayer:

1. Gathering in front of Lancaster Town Hall - 12:00pm
2. Evening Service at 7:30pm

Let's unite in prayer either in front of Town Hall at noon, or at the 7:30pm National Day of Prayer service at Lancaster Presbyterian Church. We encourage you to participate with your family and friends as we pray for the Church, for the Family, for Education, Business/Workplace, the Military, for our leaders in Government, and for Arts, Media and Entertainment.