

The "Spirit"



From the desk of Pastor Nathan:

The silence of Holy Saturday may seem like a day of nothing. After all the gathering of Wednesdays throughout Lent, the adding of extra worship to our lives for the sake of preparation for the Paschal Feast, we experience a day of great silence. Yet, Saturday is a magnificent day indeed. The great Sabbath, when then world sees a sealed and guarded tomb, when disciples wait in hiding for something to give rise to their faith, when the antagonists rejoice with their perceived victory over this disturbance known as Jesus of Nazareth, the victorious Christ Jesus saves those confined in hades, and seeks out and crushes the evil one's gates. The Harrowing of Hell is the completion of the struggle on the cross, when Satan lost his power over the flesh of the world, now the Victor breaks in and reclaims what is rightfully His, all those who lay in wait for the Christ to begin His new creation, and he starts with them!

The breaking forth from the tomb, and our celebration of His glorious Resurrection is the continuation of that new beginning, and he brings forth from the grave the very flesh which was pierced and hung on the tree. He redeems the flesh, and brings it with Him in a way which shows the world that *nothing* can destroy what He has planned to save. We too shall someday rest in the grave. Yes, it is most certainly not the pleasant thought for Easter, yet it is the most holy, the most confident, and the most prepared we may be when the Paschal Lamb calls to us with the voice of the last trumpet, and like the words he spoke to Lazarus..."Come out!" In the reality of Christ Jesus, and His resurrection, we are already experiencing the making new of all things. His renewing promise of life in you (and you in Him) by your taking of His Holy Body and Blood at the Holy Eucharist is resurrection in action. If he is willing to descend to Hell to release the bonds of death, and is willing to descend to you in the Holy Supper of the Lamb, are you willing to wait with Him in trust and in hope? This day those words are most significant, if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His!

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The Harrowing of Hell – God descended to the dead to break free the captives, crush the serpent and unbar the gates of Heaven forever!



April - May 2017

Sponsored by:

Dorothy Hoffman

In honor of loved ones.



Good Friday

6:15 Dinner/7:30 Service

Holy Saturday

7:30

Easter Sunrise Service

6:30 AM

Breakfast to follow

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The **Biggest Loser Weight Loss Challenge** has begun with the kick off on Sunday, March 5th, and the conclusion with final weigh in on Sunday, April 16th, Easter Morning. Weigh in is up to you – before or after the Sunrise Breakfast.

Sharyn will then calculate to see who has lost the highest percentage of weight loss and that person will receive a **\$100.00 gift certificate to the mall of their choice!**

Two exercise classes have begun, with **Yoga** on Monday evenings from 7-9 pm and **Zumba Dance** on Thursday evenings from 7-9 pm. Please feel free to join us for some exercise and fun! There is no cost to participate. There are available DVD's for anyone to utilize doing the chair exercises; they are located on the front pew of the church.

Due to the success and enjoyment of the exercise classes, the group has requested for the exercise programs to continue after the conclusion of the weight loss challenge. Sharyn has agreed to keep the classes running until summer. We will break and resume the classes in the Fall. Classes will continue Monday and Thursday through May 25th.

Health Ministry display has many interesting articles and health information available. Please feel free to take anything that interests you. A small donation is suggested, but NOT required. We will add additional information as it becomes available. If there is something of interest to you, please let us know.

If there's something that you would like to see the Health Ministry do, please speak to a member or join us at a meeting.

Tuesday, April 18th, 2017 7 PM

Tuesday, May 16th, 2017 7 PM



HEALTHY MINUTE/SAFETY MINUTE

When is it time to seek medical care?

Spring is upon us and as you get ready to venture outdoors raking up what winter has left behind and begin digging in the flower beds, remember to warm up those tired muscles that haven't been used during the winter months. If you don't, that's when you're going to end up with a pulled back, twisted knees, or torn ligaments.

Examples of warm up exercises:

- 1) **Put your hands above your head and reach for the sky**
- 2) **Put your hands above your head and tilt your body to one side for 30 seconds, then switch to the other side.**
- 3) **With your legs about a foot apart, bend down and touch your toes for 30 seconds, slowly roll yourself up to standing, then squat down for 30 secs.**
- 4) **Standing straight up keep your feet planted and twist your chest to the right for 30 secs and then repeat to the left.**

You've just stretched your side, torso, legs, knees and back.

Remember to take frequent breaks as you begin working those muscles after a long winters break.

Safety Minute: While working, or playing outdoors, just because it feels cool doesn't mean the sun's not beating down on you to give you that nice sunburn. The rays of the summer sun arrive at a steep angle and heat the land much more than those of the winter sun. So remember to use your sunscreen to prevent those sunburns and skin damage!

Our Health Ministry has obtained smoke detectors.

If you know someone that needs a smoke detector, *please take one!* If you know of someone that needs the batteries changed and is unable to change them, please let a team member know, as we have people in the congregation *willing* to provide this assistance.

Your parish nurse is available for additional questions or concerns.

Blood Pressure Screenings continue during Fellowship each month.

Get your blood pressure checked!

Health Ministry Team Volunteer Assistance is available to our parishioners for rides to appointments, delivery of meals upon returning home from a hospital stay, and visitations. If you know of a fellow parishioner in need of this service, please let a team member know.

Health Ministry cont'd....

Adult/Child/Infant CPR and AED

May 20th, from 9 AM-12 Noon

\$40.00 per person

See Sharyn, a Health Ministry member or call the office (362-9222) to register.



Let us pray:

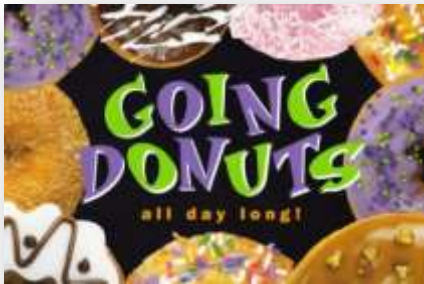
Dear Father:

As we welcome the Spring days and warmer weather, let us give thanks to you for all that you have done for us and continue to do.

Teach us and guide us to care for your people and to take care of the bodies you have given us. Most importantly, help us make time for quiet times and to listen for you and the many wonders around us, giving thanks and praise.

In Jesus name, we pray,

Amen



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Shawl
Ministry
April 11th
May 9th



WNALC

of Salem Lutheran Church

Calling all Salem Women! All women are *automatically* a member of the WNALC (Women of the North American Lutheran Church) simply by being a Salem Church member! The group meets on the **THIRD SUNDAY** of each month from 6-7 pm in the fellowship hall. During this time we hold discussions, enjoy various presentations, plan upcoming events and outreach projects, and enjoy a time of fellowship. Come out and join us!

WNALC calendar of events:

April 29 – Hobby Lobby “Road Trip”

We will meet at the church to carpool and leave at 9 am.

We will eat lunch at Longhorn Steakhouse in Lebanon.

A sign-up sheet will be in the notebook.

We will not meet again until Sunday July 23rd at 6 pm for fall and winter event planning.

Ladies Tea Party



MOTHER'S DAY DINNER

Tues., May 9th 6:30 pm

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Entertainment Provided

Council Meeting

Dates:

April 20th

May 18th

6:30 PM

Spot Light on Our Talents



Eric Campbell wins the Pine Wood Derby!



Eric Campbell tested for his green belt. HE PASSED! He received his belt from Master Spotts!

CONGRATULATIONS ERIC!

If someone has a talent you'd like to share with us, contact the office 362-9222.

Correspondence –

*Thank you so much for all of your prayers for my friends' twins. **Prayer is a powerful thing!** Today after being in the hospital for 96 days, baby Violet came home. Hopefully Peter comes home next week. Thank you for keeping the Silvestrine twins on the prayer list.*

Fondly, Jane Schader

Thank you so much for participating in our Pack N Pray initiative and for all of your continued support. You all have truly blessed our clients and we couldn't be more grateful!

Thank you again! Blessings to each one of you!

The Staff & Volunteers of Lifeline Pregnancy Care Center

My Aunt Jane gave me a vibrant blue shawl made by the Shawl ladies. I feel blessed knowing that you all care so much to make the shawls and I received one! Recovery has been slow but you touched my heart. –Lora Nestor

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & INFORMATION



Baby Bottle Campaign April 2nd – May 14th

SAVE YOUR CHANGE!

Baby Bottles will be available for pick-up on Sunday, April 2nd. Fill them with your loose change until Sunday, May 14th for the Lifeline Pregnancy Center.



CUB SCOUTS COLLECTION BOX



The Cub Scouts have placed a collection box in the east wing for the month of April. They will be collecting:

PERSONAL CARE PRODUCTS: shampoo, conditioner, nail clippers, Band-Aids, etc.

HOUSE HOLD PRODUCTS: stain remover sticks, bath towels, pillow's, plastic hangers etc.

KITCHEN PRODUCTS: aluminum foil, napkins sponges, dish soap, sandwich bags, etc.

OFFICE SUPPLIES: pens, notepads, construction paper, copy paper, etc.

BABY STUFF: wipes, diapers, baby shampoo, baby powder, baby lotion, bibs, etc.

A complete list is in the east wing with the collection box.

NO FOOD OR CLOTHING



Special Thanks to Derrick Michael and the Broad Mountain Vineyard for donating wine for use during our Communion.

“Community of Believers”



Holy Week Services:

Maundy Thursday @ Salem Lutheran 7:30 PM for the Last Supper

Spend 1 hour in the prayer vigil

Good Friday @ Salem Lutheran 6:15 Dinner & slide show

Stations of the Cross through the streets of Jerusalem slide show

7:30 PM Service

Holy Saturday @ Salem Lutheran

Stations of the Cross 6:45 PM

Service 7:30 PM

Easter Sunday Sunrise Service @ 6:30 AM

Holy Vigil @ Salem:

Maundy Thurs.

8:30 PM –

Holy Sat. 6:00 PM

Sign up in the

Notebook

in the narthex.

“ELIZABETHVILLE BICENTENNIAL MERCHANDISE”

To purchase crocks, DVDs and calendars please call Kaye (717)362-9885 or
Lori Henninger (717)503-8597 or visit Klinger Lumber Company, Elizabethtown.

www.elizabethtown2017.org

Visit the website for a calendar of events!



**10 oz Crock with
Elizabethtown
Bicentennial
Logo in Blue
4.5" high and 3.5" top
diameter
\$16**



**72 oz Wine Decanter
with Elizabethtown
Star of the Valley
Logo in Blue
8" high and 5.5" top
diameter
\$36**

Calendar \$5



**Salem Bicentennial
Cat's Meow! Available
at Salem for \$20**



**Half-gallon Belly
Crock with
Eisenhower
Homestead in
Blue. 7" high and
6.75" top
diameter
\$35**



**Short Gallon
Canister Crock with
the Henninger Farm
Covered Bridge in
Blue. 6" high and 8
1/2" top diameter
\$35**

Prayer List:

Kepler Home: Richard Matter (Paul & Natalie Lyter),

Tremont Nursing & Rehab Ctr: Elsie Phillips

Polk Personal Care: Hilda Collier, Mary Schade

Luther Acres: Oren Spangenburg (Sarah Challenger)

Geisinger: Jerry Gill (Chris Paul)

At home: Sherri Johns, Kay Molusky (Connie Troutman),
Tonja Shepley, Anita Clemens (Connie Troutman), Don
Markel, Jr., Sheena Erdman, Heather Deitrich (Janice
Gransbury), Vicky Wenrich (Mattea's mom), Nancy Harris,
Harold "Peanie" Hechler, Gary MacCready (Nancy Spacek),
Tim Johnston (Sheena Erdman), Clair Engle (Dan Reiner),
Charles Wright (Ann Scatena), Mike Wertz, Stephen "Pap"
Lower (Dave Paul), Walter "Butch" Lehman, Joan Minnich,
Roland Buffington (Judy Paul), Norbert Shulz (Jane
Ingbritsen), Kim Koppenhaver (Dave Paul), Kayla Wertz
(Sharyn Farner), Sue Wilburn (Ann Scatena), Amy Blankert
(Mina Buffington), Chuck Morgan (Ann Scatena), Randy
Challenger, Aleen Minnich, Joe Passenant (Nancy Spacek),
Dale Snyder (Tracey & Aleen Minnich), Ruth and Chris
Cook, Margie Lehman, Dustin Rhoads (Dave Reiner), Darcy
Koppenhaver (Judy Paul), Rebecca Sharron (Ann Scatena),
Bob Massari, Sr. (Peg Massari), Terry King (Janice
Gransbury), Bob Schreffler (Dorothy Hoffman), Paul Zelnick
(Jane Ingbritsen), Holly Artz (Joan Minnich), Andrea Bixler
(Marie Daub), Garvin Kissinger (Ann Scatena), Frances J.
Budd (Jane Ingbritsen), Jeffrey Snyder (Wanda Latshaw),
John Chubb, Jessica Ingbritsen, Earl Laine, Carl & Leah
Snyder, Harold (Peanie) Hechler, Arlene Blanchard (Diane
Heim), Debbie Pittman, Terry Corsnitz, Judy Buffington &
Ken Crone (Lyters), Rob Herman (Pr. Nathan's friend), Sarah
Naugle, Andy Wiest (Tyler Miller), Beverly Morgan (Ann
Scatena), Edward Snyder (Wanda Latshaw's dad), Joan
Sanborn (Jessica Spacek's paternal grandmother), Amanda
Eisenhauer (Kyle Ramer), Kris King, Charles Wertz, Beverly
Weida (Janice Gransbury), Ned Messner, Heather
Hildebrand (granddaughter of Sarah Challenger), Janyce
Van Sickle

Please help to keep our prayer list current by
contacting the church office for changes

717-362-9222 or salemelizabethville@gmail.com

Sympathy:

The family & friends of Jean Lehman

Continued from the desk of Pr. Nathan:

On the front page you noticed a picture with the new processional cross made for our children by Mike Lohenitz. This lighter, smaller, and beautiful cross will allow more of our children to participate in our processions on Sunday mornings. It will also give them a chance to learn how to carry the cross before they are old enough to handle the larger and heavier cross we use weekly. Our thanks to Mike, and Wyatt Troutman for helping with its first use and dedication!

I extend a thank you to all who have helped with so many of our recent activities, from the cleaning of the church to our meals and fun. Your presence here certainly keeps our space lively and active, nearly every day of the week!

As the adult Sunday School class wrapped up our wonderful study of the Biblical Walk through the Mass, we eagerly wish to share our knowledge and materials with everyone. If you missed this program you really missed an unbelievable opportunity to study deeply our commitment to the Sunday Worship, the historic liturgy, and all the ways in which this Mass was formed by the Word of God, and tells the story of our faith. Each member of the class has tasked each other with sharing their excitement and what they have learned. Ask them what was their 'light bulb' moment! You all know I love light bulbs...and wow...the brightness of them in our study is amazing. You have no idea how significant it is for the leader of a study (and Ken would agree when he led as well) to see the face of one whose faith is made bright by the recognition of knowledge and faith intersecting! You have truly taken a walk, biblically, through the mass and your journey has just begun.

Join us in the greatest celebration of the church, the Resurrection of Our Lord. It is because of this we live, move, and have our being! CHIEFLY, we are bound to praise the Father, for the glorious resurrection of His +Son, Jesus Christ. Until the day when he comes again in glory we will sing in anticipation, as if we wait in the cold silent tomb, longing to hear His voice. O trumpet, blast in victory, for we shall be raised... incorruptible, and we shall be changed!

Outside CLEANING DAY, Sat. May 8th
at 7:30 am. Come and help us keep
the church beautiful.

Altar Flower Sponsors



April Large Vases (\$20.00 ea.)

- 2 Fred Renn: In loving memory of his wife, Marian.
- 9 Sarah Challenger: In loving memory of Jim Challenger and John & Elsie Kratzer.
- 9 Melva Reinhard: In loving memory of her husband, Jack.
- 13 (Maundy Thurs.) Robert & Carole Long: In loving memory of his mother, Mary Long.
- 16 Lois Kratzer: In memory of loved ones.
- 16 Tom & Deb Scheib: In memory of loved ones.
- 23 Connie Troutman: In honor of children and grandchildren.
- 23 Irene Lehman: In memory of loved ones.
- 30 Ann Scatena: In honor of children and great grandchildren.
- 30 Henry & Mary Ellen Paul: In memory of loved ones.

SMALL ALTAR VASES: (\$7.50 ea.)

- 2 Janice Gransbury: In memory of loved ones and pets.
- 9 Mattea Wenrich-Schmidt: In loving memory of her grandparents, Laverne & Marie Erdman.
- 13 (Maundy Thurs.) Dorothy Hoffman: In honor of loved ones.
- 16 Rev. Nathan Minnich: In honor of Christ's conquering of death and rising from the tomb.
- 23 Ann Scatena: To the Glory of God & In loving memory of her mother, Mildred Erdman.
- 30 Dave & Annie Lane: In loving memory of Rev. Dr. W.T. Walton and Mary Ann Walton.

May Large Vases (\$20.00 ea.)

- 7 Robin Hoffman & Chris Paul: In honor and loving memory of all mothers.
- 14 Robert & Carole Long: In loving memory of grandmother, Mary Long.
- 14 Irene Lehman: In loving memory of her husband, John W. Lehman.
- 21 Fred Renn: To the Glory of God.
- 28 Stan & Arleah Buehler: In memory of all veterans.

SMALL ALTAR VASES: (\$7.50 ea.)

- 7 Jana Miller: In honor of Tyler Miller's 16th Birthday.
- 14 Kim Bower: In honor of Kaitlyn's 25th birthday.
- 21 Jason & Angela Heim: In honor of our church family.
- 28 Dave & Annie Lane: In honor of the marriage of Tyler Radomsky & Gabrielle Pros.



Have you
remembered
your church?

SPONSORSHIPS/BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES

April Bulletin Sponsors

- 2 Michael Paul: In honor of the Lenten Season.
9 Margie Lehman: In memory of loved ones.
13 MAUNDY THURS.: Don & Linda Deibler
15 HOLY SATURDAY: Tom & Deb Scheib in celebration of the Easter Season.
16 EASTER: Stan & Arleah Buehler: In memory of their parents.
23 **SPONSOR NEEDED**
30 Jay & Martha Fulkrod: Prayers to all we know.

May Bulletin Sponsors

- 7 Karl & Jane Schader: In memory of loved ones.
14 MOTHER'S DAY Harold & Marie Daub: In honor of all mothers.
21 Jason & Angela Heim: In honor of our church family.
28 Jean Hoke: In loving memory of Norwood and Lynn.

Sanctuary Lamp

- April:** Ann Scatena – In loving memory of Robert Scatena and Andy Scatena.
May: Mike & Linda Lohenitz – In loving memory of their mothers and fathers.

Fellowship

- April** – Diane Heim & Jana Miller
May – Natalie Lyter

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April Birthdays:

- 7 Pam Ramer **Happy 55th!**
11 Mary Ellen Paul
17 Lori Paul
17 Dan Reiner **Happy 85th!**
19 Bob Ramer
23 Brandy Ayers
28 Aidan Campbell

April Anniversaries:

- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Robert Ramer
27 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Reitz

May Birthdays:

- 1 Sarah Challenger
6 Eric Campbell
7 Don Deibler
8 Grace Adair Zimmerman
10 Tyler Miller **Happy 16th!**
11 Marie Daub
11 Josh Heim
15 Kaitlyn Bower **Happy 25th!**
19 Josh Witmer
27 David Farner, Sr. **Happy 60th!**
28 Erik Ingbritsen **Happy 25th!**

May Anniversaries:

- 1 Mr. & Mrs. Michael Lohenitz
29 Mr. & Mrs. David Farner, Sr.

Please call or email the office if there are any errors or deletions.

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Worship Assistants

APRIL ALTAR GUILD *Arleah Buehler & _____*

	April 9 Palm Sun.	April 13 Maun. Thurs.	April 14 Good Fri.	April 15 Holy Sat.	EASTER SUN.	23-Apr	30-Apr
Lector	Natalie Lyter	Sharyn Farner		Michael Paul	Kasey Campbell	Gerri Deppen	Ann Scatena
Prayer of the Church	Mark Ingbritsen	Vicki Yates			Jim Prince	Carol Reitz	Sharyn Farner
Head Usher	Scott Deitrich	Mark Ingbritsen	Ron Heim		Arleah Buehler	Harold Daub	Dave Reiner
Communion Assistant	Chris Paul	Kasey Campbell			Dennis Reitz	Mark Ingbritsen	Michael Paul
Communion Assistant	Harold Daub	Ken Campbell			Sharyn Farner	Tom Scheib	Dennis Reitz
Greeter	Harold Daub	Judy Paul	Ron Heim		David Farner	Janice Gransbury	Martha Fulkrod
Greeter	Marie Daub	Ann Scatena	Diane Heim				Ann Scatena
Acolyte	Jessica Spacek	Tyler Miller			Wyatt Troutman	Jessica Spacek	Tyler Miller
Torchbearer	Michael Paul	Wyatt Troutman			Jessica Spacek	Kristen Heim	Wyatt Troutman
Torchbearer	Jessica Spacek	Austin Heim			Wyatt Troutman	Jessica Spacek	Austin Heim
Crucifer	Tyler Miller	Tyler Miller			Michael Paul	Tyler Miller	Tyler Miller
Gospel Bearer	Eric Campbell	Sarah Heim			Tyler Miller	Eric Campbell	Sarah Heim
Sanctus Bells	Wyatt Troutman	Eric Campbell			Eric Campbell	Wyatt Troutman	Eric Campbell

MAY ALTAR GUILD *Arleah Buehler & _____*

	7-May	May 14 Mother's Day	21-May	28-May
Lector	Mark Ingbritsen	Ben Margerum	Harold Daub	Vicki Yates
Prayer of the Church	David Farner	Vicki Yates	Ken Campbell	Michael Paul
Head Usher	Ron Heim	Angela Heim	Chris Paul	Scott Deitrich
Communion Assistant	Ken Campbell	Chris Paul	Harold Daub	Tom Scheib
Communion Assistant	Mark Ingbritsen	Kasey Campbell	Ken Campbell	Mark Ingbritsen
Greeter		Michael Paul		Janice Gransbury
Greeter		Chris Paul		
Acolyte	Eric Campbell	Jessica Spacek	Tyler Miller	Eric Campbell
Torchbearer	Eric Campbell	Kristen Heim	Wyatt Troutman	Eric Campbell
Torchbearer	Austin Heim	Jessica Spacek	Austin Heim	Austin Heim
Crucifer	Tyler Miller	Tyler Miller	Tyler Miller	Tyler Miller
Gospel Bearer	Wyatt Troutman	Eric Campbell	Sarah Heim	Jessica Spacek
Sanctus Bells	Kristen Heim	Wyatt Troutman	Eric Campbell	Kristen Heim

ALTAR GUILD

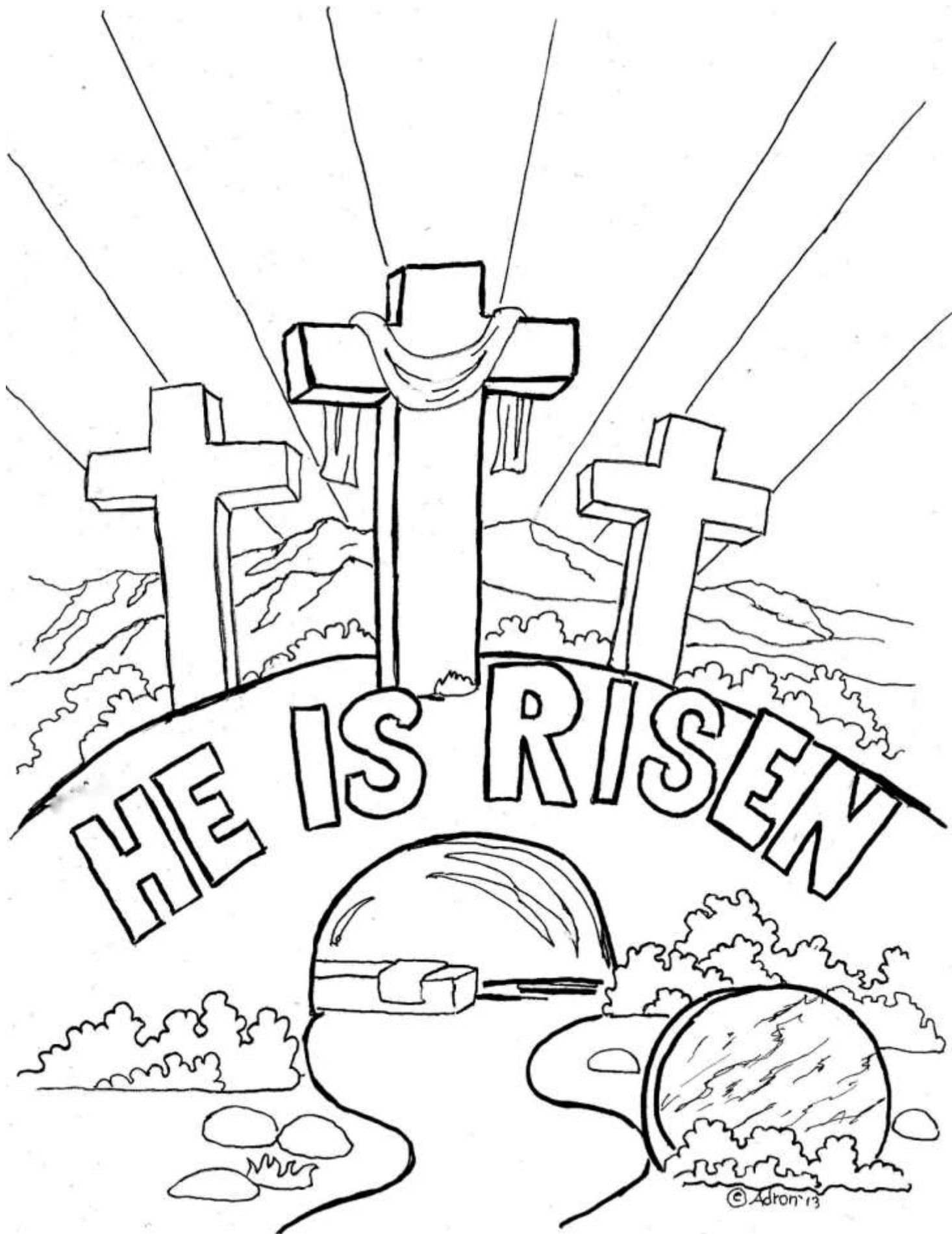
Salem is in NEED of Altar Guild volunteers.

Please see Arleah or Chris for more info.

To serve in this way is a great honor to our Lord.

Duties: wash chalices, paten, and other
communion service items, wash/press linens,
set flowers.





Good Friday Community Service will begin with dinner (Clam Chowder and Fish Sandwich) at 6:15 along with the Stations of the Cross from Jerusalem, by Pr. Nathan. The service will begin upstairs at 7:30pm

At least one lamp is to be kept burning day and night before the tabernacle in which the Blessed Sacrament is kept.

The Sanctuary Lamp, sponsored by you in memory of those in blessed rest, indicates the real presence of our Lord in this place!



Dated Material – Please do not delay
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