



Christ the King Lutheran Church

Great Falls, Virginia

Holy Communion

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 3, 2022

Our vision is to be a vibrant community of Jesus' disciples,
empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring God's grace into our world.

A: indicates Assisting Minister; P: indicates Presiding Minister; C: indicates Congregation.

ELW refers to Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red hymnal in the pew rack.

ACS refers to All Creation Sings. *TFF* refers to This Far By Faith.

At places where the † appears, it is customary to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism.

Should you need to use an enlarged order of service, complete with Bible readings and hymns, you will find several in red binders located on the usher's table at the back of the sanctuary.

A few notes about worship:

- Christ the King strives to be a welcoming and safe place for all. Here are the COVID-19 protocols in place:
 - When the transmission risk for our area is “high” or “substantial” we will require masks in worship. When the risk is “moderate” we will request that masks be worn. When the risk is “low” masks will be optional. You can find the current level at:
<https://www.vdh.virginia.gov/coronavirus/covid-19-in-virginia/community-transmission/>.
 - Please respect others in their need for physical distance. In general, try not to sit directly in front of or behind other worshipers.
 - The pastor and other worship leaders will at times remove their masks when they are in the chancel area or at the lectern.
 - Disposable masks are available on the usher's table.
 - We will not be passing the offering plates; plates are available on the usher's table and at the head of the center aisle.
 - Doors and windows are open and fans are turned on in order to maximize the circulation of fresh air.
- Gluten-free wafers are available; let the pastor know if you need that option. Both wine (dark red) and grape juice (gold) are available in the trays of individual communion cups. Please return to your seat before you remove your mask to drink. Empty cups should be placed in the small trash cans in the pews.

Christ the King Lutheran Church

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GATHERING

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

PRELUDE

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

KYRIE: ELW 153 Nkosi, Nkosi

A: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

(choir or leader will sing, congregation repeats)



Nko - si, Nko - si, yi - ba nen - ce - ba.
Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us.

A: For the peace and salvation that come from above; for the peace that reconciles the nations of the world, let us pray to the Lord.

(choir or leader will sing, congregation repeats)



Kres - tu, Kres - tu, yi - ba nen - ce - ba.
Christ, have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us.

A: For this community of faith, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

(choir or leader will sing, congregation repeats)



Nko - si, Nko - si, yi - ba nen - ce - ba.
Lord, have mer - cy, have mer - cy up - on us.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Let us pray.

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Please be seated.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

WORD

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

LESSON: Isaiah 43:16-21

A: A reading from Isaiah.

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters,

¹⁷who brings out chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick:

¹⁸Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old.

¹⁹I am about to do a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

²⁰The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people,

²¹the people whom I formed for myself so that they might declare my praise.

After the reading:

A: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 126

Said responsively.

*The Assisting Minister (A) says the regular text; the **Congregation (C)** says the bold text.*

A: ¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.

C: ²Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy. Then they said among the nations, "The LORD has done great things for them."

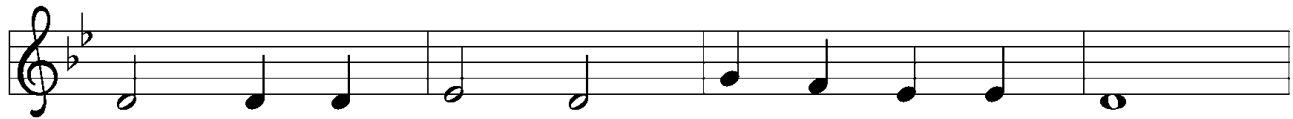
A: ³The LORD has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.

C: ⁴Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses of the Negeb.

A: ⁵Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.

C: ⁶Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

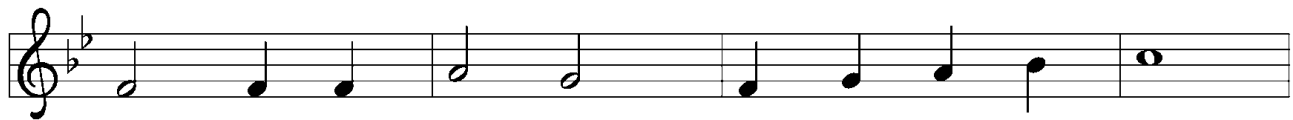
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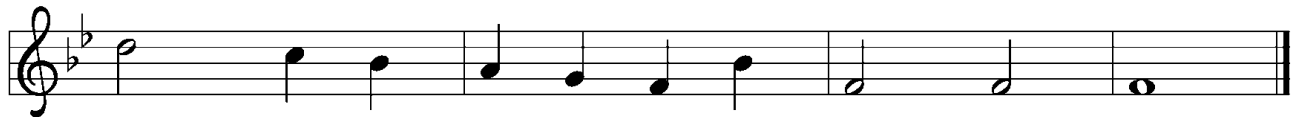
1 Spir - it of God, de - scend up - on my heart;
 2 I ask no dream, no proph - et ec - sta - sies,
 3 Have you not bid me love you, God and King;
 4 Teach me to love you as your an - gels love,



wean it from earth, through all its puls - es move;
 no sud - den rend - ing of the veil of clay,
 all, all your own, soul, heart, and strength, and mind?
 one ho - ly pas - sion fill - ing all my frame:



stoop to my weak - ness, strength to me im - part,
 no an - gel vis - i - tant, no op - 'ning skies;
 I see your cross; there teach my heart to cling.
 the bap - tism of the heav'n - de - scend - ed dove,



and make me love you as I ought to love.
 but take the dim - ness of my soul a - way.
 Oh, let me seek you and, oh, let me find!
 my heart an al - tar, and your love the flame.

HOLY GOSPEL: John 12:1-8

Before the reading:

P: The Holy Gospel according to John.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

P: ¹Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. ²There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. ³Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, ⁵"Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" ⁶(He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) ⁷Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me."

After the reading:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON

The Rev. Robin Strickler

Silence for meditation may follow the sermon.

Please stand when the music begins.

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HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 335 Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross

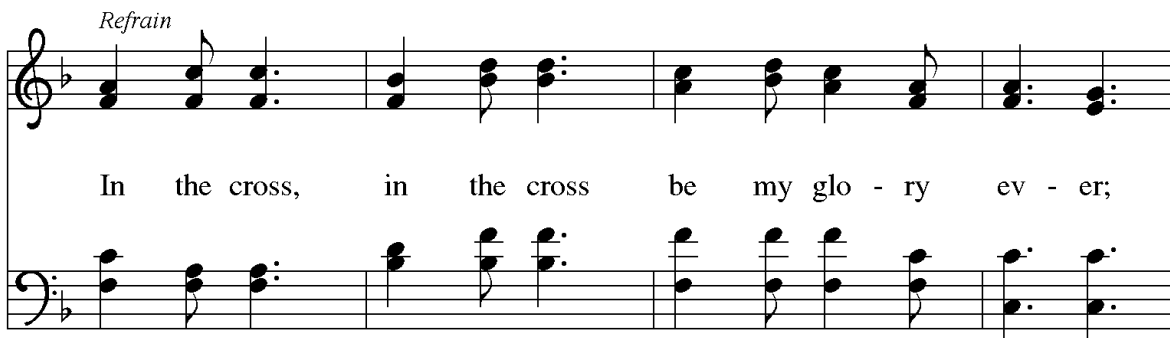


1 Je - sus, keep me near the cross, there's a pre - cious foun - tain;
2 Near the cross, a trem - bling soul, love and mer - cy found me;
3 Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes be - fore me;
4 Near the cross I'll watch and wait, hop - ing, trust - ing ev - er,



free to all, a heal - ing stream flows from Cal - v'ry's moun - tain.
there the bright and morn - ing star sheds its beams a - round me.
help me walk from day to day with its shad - ow o'er me.
till I reach the gold - en strand just be - yond the riv - er.

Refrain



In the cross, in the cross be my glo - ry ev - er;



till my ran - somed soul shall find rest be - yond the riv - er.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

A: Drawn close to the heart of God, we offer these prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

Do a new thing in the church. Free us from paradigms that no longer serve the gospel and bring forward leaders who imagine fresh ways of doing ministry. Give us courage in the face of change. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Do a new thing for creation. Reverse the trajectory of climate change and environmental catastrophe. Revive habitats already impaired by human disregard. Amplify the voices of climate scientists and researchers working to chart a new course. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Do a new thing in our world. Break barriers that prevent political enemies from working together for the well-being of all. Magnify the witness of community building efforts in Rwanda. Make a way for peace and collaboration among the nations, especially Ukraine and Russia and their neighbors. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Do a new thing for those who suffer. Reveal a path for any who are unemployed or underemployed, for those experiencing homelessness, and for all who struggle with money. Comfort those who grieve and restore those who are sick especially those in our midst. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Do a new thing within us. Direct us into encounters that broaden our understanding of the human experience. Amplify voices that are ignored or devalued (*especially*). Deliver us especially from the scourge of racism. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

A: Do a new thing in our death. Fill us with the knowledge of Christ and the power of his resurrection as we give thanks for all the saints who have attained the prize of their heavenly call. Merciful God,

C: receive our prayer.

P: Accept the prayers we bring, O God, on behalf of a world in need, for the sake of Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

PEACE SHARING

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

C: And also with you.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

REGATHERING & OFFERING SONG: ELW 591 That Priceless Grace

verses 1 & 3



1 That price-less grace, that price-less grace, that price-less
2 That price-less blood, that price-less blood, that price-less
3 That pain-ful death, that pain-ful death, that pain-ful
4 That pre-cious word, that pre-cious word, that pre-cious



grace, which gave me life: Je - sus' life is price-less grace.
blood was shed for me: Je - sus' blood is price-less grace.
death took sins a - way: Je - sus' death is price-less grace.
word, which brought me light: Je - sus' word is price-less grace.



That price - less grace is life for me.

GREETING AND PREFACE

P: Is the Creator with us?

C: **Yes, the Creator is with us.**

P: Is Christ among us?

C: **Yes, Christ is with us.**

P: Is the Spirit here?

C: **Yes, the Spirit is here.**

P: This is our God.

C: **Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

P: We are God's people.

C: **We are redeemed.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

P: It is right and our delight to give you thanks and praise! From a wandering nomad you created your family; for a burdened people you raised up a leader; for a confused nation you chose a king; for a rebellious crowd you sent your prophets. In these last days you have sent us your Son, your perfect image, bringing your kingdom, revealing your will, dying, rising, reigning, and remaking your people for yourself. Through him you have poured out your Holy Spirit, filling us with light and life. Therefore, with angels, archangels, faithful ancestors, and all in heaven, we proclaim your great and glorious name, forever praising you and saying:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY: ACS 1090 Heaven Opened to Isaiah



1 Heav-en o - pened to I - sa - iah, show-ing him God's glo-rious
2 Ser - a - phim con - tin - ue sing - ing; cher - u - bim still lift their
3 One day heav - en will be o - pened and be - fore the Sav - ior's



throne: Lord of might, high and ex - alt - ed, tem - ple flow-ing
praise. Earth and all its crea-tures wor - ship; moon and stars are
throne, saints from ev - 'ry time and na - tion will be - gin their



with his robe. Ser - a - phim flew all a - round him,
still a - mazed. Now a - bove cre - a - tion's cho - rus
end - less song: "To our God of all sal - va - tion,



hum - bled at the ho - ly sight. As they cir - cled they were
comes an - oth - er fer - vent cry: all of earth's re - deemed are
to the high and ho - ly Lamb, to the bless - ed Ho - ly



sing - ing, call - ing out with all their might.
sing - ing, "Glo - ry to the Lord on high!"
Spir - it be for - ev - er praise. A - men!"



Refrain
"Ho - ly, ho - ly, you are ho - ly," ev - 'ry



an - gel voice pro - claims; "All the earth re - flects your



glo - ry; ev - 'ry tongue sings out your praise!"

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

P: God of our weary years, God of our silent tears, you have brought us this far along the way. In times of bitterness you did not abandon us, but guided us into the path of love and light. In every age you sent prophets to make known your loving will for all humanity. In the fullness of time, you sent your chosen servant to preach good news to the afflicted, to break bread with the outcast and despised, and to ransom those in bondage to prejudice and sin. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death and resurrection, we await the day when Jesus shall return to free all the earth from the bonds of slavery and death. Send your Holy Spirit, our advocate, to fill the hearts of all who share this bread and cup with courage and wisdom to pursue love and justice in all the world. Join our prayers and praise with your prophets and martyrs of every age, that, rejoicing in the hope of the resurrection, we might live in the freedom and hope of your Son. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C: 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, forever and ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P: Christ is alive forever.

C: We are because he is.

P: We are one body.

C: We share one bread.

P: Draw near with faith.

C: Christ is the host and we are his guests.

Please be seated.

DISTRIBUTION WITH MUSICAL OFFERING

Instructions for communion distribution will be given at this time.

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Those who have not received instruction or who wish not to receive communion may come forward for a blessing.

Please stand as you are able.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Let us pray.

Almighty God, eternal Father, we have sat at your feet, learned from your word, and eaten from your table. We give you thanks and praise for accepting us into your family. Send us out with your blessing, to live and to witness for you in the power of your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the firstborn from the dead.

C: **Amen.**

SENDING

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

BLESSING

P: All our problems

C: **We send to the cross of Christ.**

P: All our difficulties

C: **We send to the cross of Christ.**

P: All the devil's works

C: **We send to the cross of Christ.**

P: All our hopes

C: **We set on the risen Christ.**

P: Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you and scatter the darkness from before your path: and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

C: **Amen.**

Please stand as you are able.

Please continue to the next page.

SENDING HYMN: ELW 741 Your Will Be Done



Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma -
Your will be done on earth, O Lord. Your
ye - nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi -
will be done on earth, O Lord. Your will be
we 'nta - ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta -
done on earth, O Lord. Your will be done on
ndo ya - kho. Ma - ye - nzi - we 'nta - ndo ya - kho.
earth, O Lord. Your will be done on earth, O Lord.

DISMISSAL

P: Go out into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

C: Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

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Living in Lent

Turning toward God's Abundance: A Lenten Service of Word and Prayer

Wednesday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m.

We invite you to attend in person or online at
<https://www.facebook.com/gflutheran.org/>

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday

April 14th, 7:30 p.m.

(in-person and online)

Good Friday

April 15th, 7:30 p.m.

(in-person and online)

GFAM, 12 noon – 3:00 p.m. at Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church

Easter Sunday, The Resurrection of Our Lord

April 17th

9:00 a.m. (in-person and online) and 11:00 a.m. (in-person)

at Christ the King Lutheran Church

Sunrise service hosted by GFAM, 6:30 a.m. at Great Falls Park

Announcements

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Fifth Sunday of Lent

April 3, 2022

Heavenly Father, the mysteries and awe of creation defy our comprehension and stir wonder in us. We give praise, gratitude and recognition for all you have made for our sustenance and joy; we pray that we will be wise, generous, responsible stewards and restorers of the earth's resources for the glory of you, our Creator. Amen.

Lent Worship/Holy Week Schedule

Midweek Lent worship services - "Turning toward God's Abundance: A Lenten Service of Word and Prayer" – finish April 6th at 7:30 p.m.

We will conclude the Lent season with **Maundy Thursday** worship on April 14th at 7:30 p.m. and **Good Friday** worship on April 15th at 7:30 p.m. They all will be in-person and available on [Facebook Live](#).

There also will be Good Friday worship from 12 noon to 3:00 p.m. at Andrew Chapel United Methodist Church.

Easter Sunday services will be held on April 17th at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The 9:00 a.m. service will be [livestreamed](#). Sunrise Easter worship will be at Great Falls Park at 6:30 a.m.

Sign Up for Easter Lilies

As we celebrate Christ's resurrection, we also look forward to decorating the sanctuary abundantly! Envelopes are in the lobby and [electronic sign-up is available here](#). The last day to sign up and sponsor is Monday, April 11th. Please print clearly: your name, envelope number, and your dedication. The cost is \$12 for each plant and checks should be made out to Christ the King Lutheran Church.

Help For Our Refugee Family

Please consider various ways you can support and assist our Afghan refugee family. If you are interested in spending some time with them in-person, virtually, or both, please sign up to engage the parents in English language discussions; or sign up to donate items for their apartment at: gflutheran.org/refugeefamily.

Today's Altar Flowers

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Karen and David Utter in loving memory of Karen's grandmother, Alice Schomburg.

Lay Helpers Needed

We're currently recruiting lay helpers for our worship services! [Please check Sign-Up Genius](#) and help make worship happen!

Welcome Guests



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Welcome to Christ the King Lutheran Church, a congregation of the Metro DC Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

MEMBERSHIP: If you would like to know more about Christ the King or are interested in living out your discipleship as a member of this community, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068.

EMAIL LIST: If you would like to be on our email list to receive our weekly news blasts, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068 or visit our website: gflutheran.org.



CHRIST THE KING is a Stephen
Ministry congregation.

COVID-19 Update

The church council has set forth a policy that uses COVID-19 transmission data from the Virginia NIH to determine our level of risk. Due to continued COVID-19 transmission in [our area](#), **masks are now optional for worship**. We look forward to welcoming you!

Drive-Up Communion in April

Pastor will greet you, wearing a mask, and will provide you with a printed order of service. Sign up is available until 11:45 a.m. on the day of communion using the links below:

- [Thursday, 4/7: 4:30-6:00](#)
- [Thursday, 4/28: 4:30-6:00](#)

Worship and Education Schedule

9:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion
(Streamed live through the [CtK Facebook page.](#))
10:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Education
11:00 a.m. Worship with Holy Communion

Seeking Chair for Congregational Life!

- The mission of the Congregational Life Committee shall be to serve as a catalyst for fellowship and spiritual growth within the congregation.
- This includes such activities as the men's & women's Bible Studies, card ministries, meal ministries, Stephen Ministry, assistance with weddings and funerals, and with congregants as needed.

Altar Flowers Sign Up

- Altar flowers in honor, memory, or celebration of a loved one and/or event are available for purchase.
- Please [sign up for flowers](#) at least one Sunday in advance to allow time to order.

Prayers for Our Congregation

Kristi Vasofsky who taught at King's Kids Preschool for many years asks for prayers; her 24-year-old son Connor has been missing since November 27. **Tom & Jane Cooper** ask for prayers for Barry Slyper.

Capt. Ryan Anderson; Capt. Don Feeley; Col. David Dippold; Chaplain Capt. John Teitman; Capt. Chris Unger; Ensign Owen Shenk; Ensign Lillian Baker; Cody Jones, USN.

CALENDAR

April 3 — April 10

King's Kids Preschool is on Spring Break this week

Sunday, April 3

9:00 a.m. — In-person Worship,
([streaming available](#))
10:00 a.m. — Christian Education
10:00 a.m. — Adult forum, in-person & [Zoom](#)
11:00 a.m. — In-person Worship
7:00 p.m. — AA

Monday, April 4

7:00 p.m. — Worship Committee

Tuesday, April 5

7:00 a.m. — Men's Breakfast,
Silver Diner, Reston

Wednesday, April 6

9:30 a.m. — Journey Women's Bible Study,
Zoom
7:30 p.m. — Lent Mid-Week Worship,
([streaming available](#))
7:30 p.m. — Service team meeting
8:15 p.m. — Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 8

12:00 p.m. — Great Falls Area Ministry

Saturday, April 9

7:00 p.m. — AA

Sunday, April 10

9:00 a.m. — In-person Worship,
([streaming available](#))
10:00 a.m. — Christian Education
10:00 a.m. — Adult forum, in-person & [Zoom](#)
11:00 a.m. — In-person Worship
7:00 p.m. — AA

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