



HOME MORAVIAN CHURCH

Welcome Home



HomeMoravian.org

Sunday, April 5, 2026

Founded 1771

Fulfilling Christ's call to love God, live in community, and serve our neighbor.

*"Let thine eye be opened toward this house night and day,
even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there."*

- Text for the day on which the Site of Salem was selected.

Salem Square

Winston-Salem, NC

EASTER SUNDAY
APRIL 5, 2026
WORSHIP SERVICE – 10:00 A.M.

WATCHWORD FOR THE WEEK: *“So, if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.”* Colossians 3:1

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... Rev. Dr. Craig Atwood

PRELUDE: *Choral*, Op. 37, No. 4.....Joseph Jongen (1873-1953)

CALL TO WORSHIP

EASTER

(Standing)

The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Sing this aloud, proclaim it to the ends of the earth:

The Lord has set his people free.

ELLACOMBE (151 R)

The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
Now let the heav'ns be joy - ful, let earth its song be - gin;

the pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the pass - o - ver of God.
the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin to be set free,
in grate - ful ex - ul - ta - tion their notes let all things blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver, with hymns of vic - to - ry.
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

E A S T E R

Praise the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By God's great mercy we are given new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading.

Praise, honor, glory, and power to the One seated on the throne, and to the Lamb, forever and ever!

Jesus was handed over to death for our sins,

And was raised to life for our justification.

Then what can separate us from the love of Christ? Can affliction or hardship? Can persecution, hunger, nakedness, peril, or sword?

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Christ, who loved us.

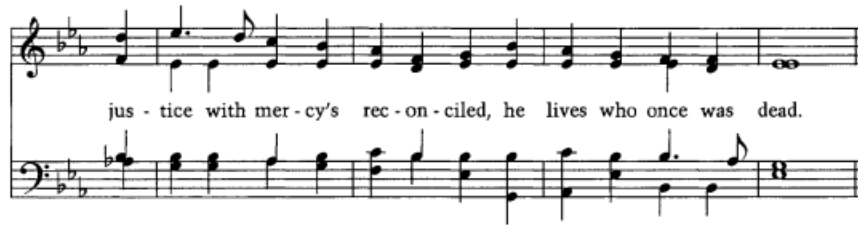
For we are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come,

Nor powers, nor heights, nor depths, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

DIADEMATA (595 C)

Chris - tians, dis - miss your fear, let hope and joy suc - ceed,
the joy - ful news with glad - ness hear, "The Lord is ris'n in - deed!"
The prom - ise is ful - filled in Christ our on - ly Head;

EASTER



(Sitting)

We have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, it is for the Lord that we live; and if we die, it is for the Lord that we die.

So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord, for Christ died, rose from death, and lives again in order to be Lord of the living and of the dead.

We do not want you to be in any doubt about those who have died, or to grieve over them as others do who have no hope.

For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died.

What we are saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God.

Nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

What is sown as perishable,

Is raised imperishable;

What is sown in dishonor,

Is raised in glory;

What is sown in weakness,

Is raised in power;

What is sown a physical body,

Is raised a spiritual body.

Then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: Death has been swallowed up in victory.

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

EASTER

(Standing)

LUX EOI (167 H)

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to heav'n and voic - es raise,
sing to God a hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise,
he, who on the cross a vic - tim for the world's sal - va - tion bled,
Je - sus Christ, the King of Glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.

If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are of the earth.

For we have died, and our lives are hidden with Christ in God.

EASTER

God of peace, who brought back from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant,

Make us complete in everything good so that we may do your will, working among us all that is pleasing in your sight; through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

BECHLER (159 D)

Sing hal - le - lu - jah, praise the Lord! Sing with a cheer - ful voice,
There we to all e - ter - ni - ty shall join th'an - gel - ic lays

ex - alt our God with one ac - cord, and in his name re - joice.
and sing in per - fect har - mo - ny to God our Sav - ior's praise,

Ne'er cease to sing, O ran - somed host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,
he has re - deemed us by his blood, and made us kings and priests to God,

un - til in realms of end - less light your prais - es shall u - nite.
for us, for us, the Lamb was slain! Praise ye the Lord! A - men.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Jeremiah 31:1-6

Psalm 118:1-2,14-24

O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;
his steadfast love endures forever!

Let Israel say,

“His steadfast love endures forever.”

**The Lord is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.**

Hark, glad songs of victory
in the tents of the righteous:

**“The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,
the right hand of the Lord is exalted,
the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!”**

I shall not die, but I shall live,
and recount the deeds of the Lord.

**The Lord has chastened me sorely,
but he has not given me over to death.**

Open to me the gates of righteousness,
that I may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.

**This is the gate of the Lord;
the righteous shall enter through it.**

I thank thee that thou hast answered me
and hast become my salvation.

**The stone which the builders rejected
has become the head of the corner.**

This is the Lord’s doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.

**This is the day which the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

John 20:1-18

During the next hymn, children aged 3 through 3rd grade may follow Children's Worship leaders to continue with worship in CE-106.

HYMN 368 - *With High Delight Let Us Unite.....T. Mit Freuden Zart*

EASTER

368 With High Delight Let Us Unite

1 With high de - light let us u - nite in
 2 True God, he first from death has burst forth
 3 Let prais - es ring; give thanks and bring to

songs of sweet ju - bi - la - tion. You pure in heart, each
 in - to life, all sub - du - ing. His en - e - my shall
 Christ our Lord ad - o - ra - tion. His hon - or speed by

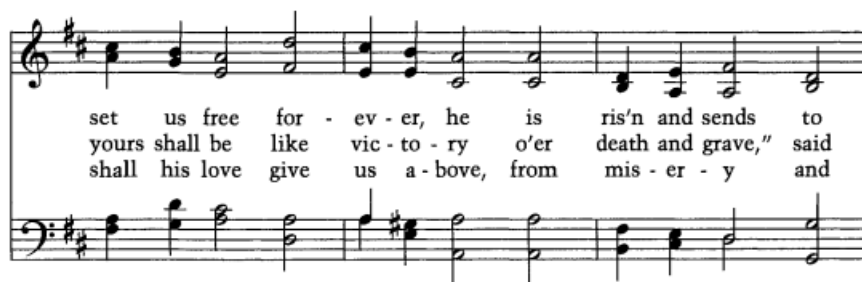
take your part, sing Je - sus Christ, our sal - va - tion. To
 van - quished lie, his death has been death's un - do - ing. "And
 word and deed to ev - 'ry land, ev - 'ry na - tion. So

TEXT: Georg Vetter (1536-1599). Tr. Martin H. Franzmann (1907-1976)
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 TUNE: Pre-Reformation melody, Bohemian Brethren's *Gesangbuch* (1566), alt.

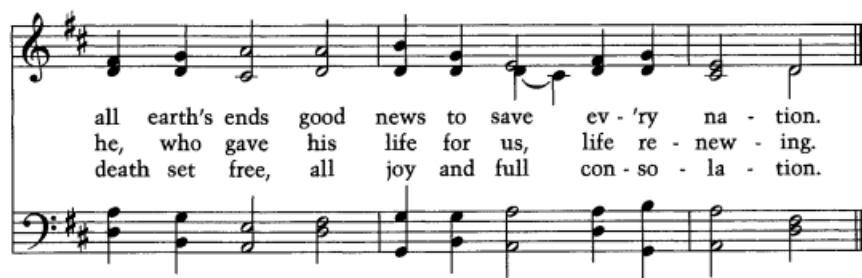
Alternate key, hymn 537
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MIT FREUDEN ZART

EASTER



set us free for - ev - er, he is ris'n and sends to
yours shall be like vic - to - ry o'er death and grave," said
shall his love give us a - bove, from mis - er - y and



all earth's ends good news to save ev - 'ry na - tion.
he, who gave his life for us, life re - new - ing.
death set free, all joy and full con - so - la - tion.

EPISTLE LESSON: 1 Corinthians 15:12-26....Rev. Ginny Hege Tobiassen

SERMON: *Your Part of the Story*

HYMN 515 - *Highly Favored Congregation*.....T. Baity

NATURE OF THE CHURCH

Highly Favored Congregation 515

1 High - ly fa - vored con - gre - ga - tion, loved by
2 Ground - ed on your Sav - ior's mer - it, blessed in
3 Wit - ness here to all a - round you of your
4 Ev - i - dence by word and ac - tion that your

Je - sus and es - teemed, ne'er for - get your des - ti -
his com - mun - ion sweet, des - tined heav - en to in -
Sav - ior's dy - ing love; tell them how he sought and
faith is not in vain, that your high - est sat - is -

na - tion, why from this vain world re - deemed.
her - it, and the church a - bove to meet.
found you, gave you grace from heav'n a - bove.
fac - tion cen - ters in the Lamb once slain.

5 By love's closest bonds united,
as the Lord's own family,
be to serve his name excited,
be to him a fruitful tree.

TEXT: Samuel T. Benade [1789], alt.
TUNE: Herrnhut (c. 1735); John Thommen (1745); C. Gregor *Choralbuch* (1784)

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BATTY (16 A)

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY INVITATION Rev. Dr. Atwood

The offertory provides an opportunity to reflect on the many ways that we can express our gratitude in response to God: with time, treasure, talents, and testimony. For financial giving online: Use the Moravian Ministries Foundation giving portal at <https://mmfa.info/giving-portal/>. Click the DONATE tab on any page of the Home Church website. For more information, go to homemoravian.org/donate. You can make one-time or recurring gifts. Text HOME to 73256 on your phone.

ANTHEM: *Hallelujah* from *Messiah*.....G.F. Handel (1685 – 1759)

Home Church Choir

Revelation 19:6, 11:15, 19:16

Hallelujah! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah! The kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever, Hallelujah!

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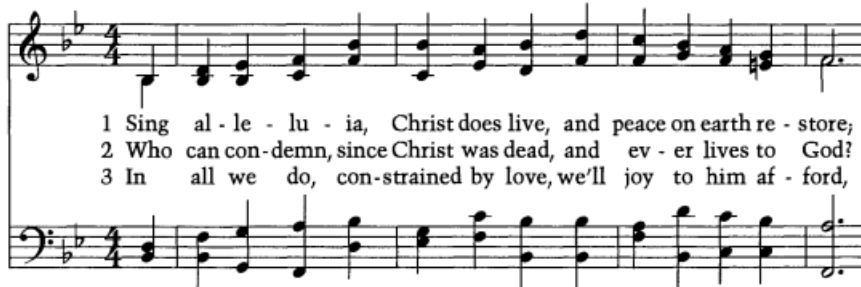
OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD..... Rev. Tobiassen

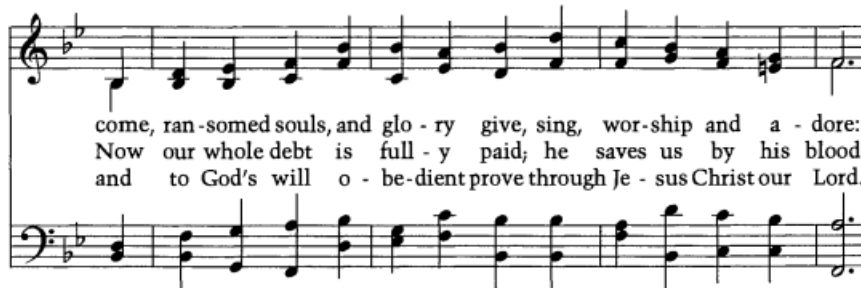
HYMN 364 - Sing Alleluia, Christ Does Live.....T. Lindsey House

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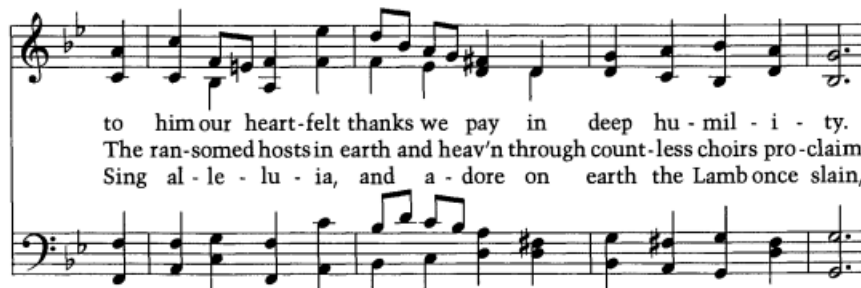
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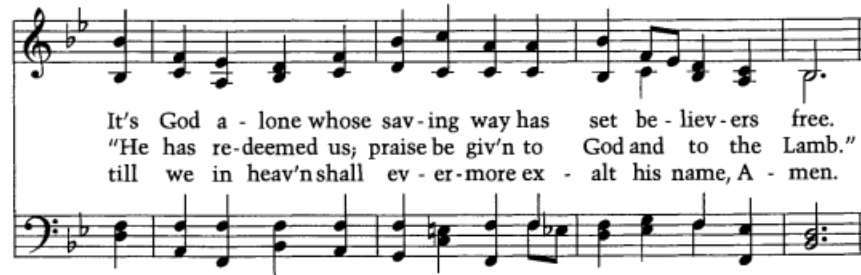
1 Sing al - le - lu - ia, Christ does live, and peace on earth re - store,
2 Who can con-demn, since Christ was dead, and ev - er lives to God?
3 In all we do, con-strained by love, we'll joy to him af - ford,



come, ran-somed souls, and glo - ry give, sing, wor-ship and a - dore:
Now our whole debt is full - y paid; he saves us by his blood.
and to God's will o - be-dient prove through Je - sus Christ our Lord.



to him our heart-felt thanks we pay in deep hu - mil - i - ty.
The ran-somed hosts in earth and heav'n through count-less choirs pro-claim,
Sing al - le - lu - ia, and a - dore on earth the Lamb once slain,



It's God a - lone whose sav - ing way has set be - liev - ers free.
"He has re-deemed us; praise be giv'n to God and to the Lamb."
till we in heav'n shall ev - er-more ex - alt his name, A - men.

TEXT: Christian Gregor (1778), alt.
TUNE: Moravian "Tunes for the Hymns," compiled by James Hutton (1744)

C.M.D.
LINDSEY HOUSE (590 A)

BENEDICTION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: Hymn 832, *The Grace of Our Lord*

*While singing, we extend the right hand of fellowship.
We invite you to continue your fellowship as you exit during the postlude.*

SERVICE MUSIC

832 **The Grace of Our Lord**

The grace of our Lord Je - sus Christ, and the love of
God, and the com - mu - nion of the Ho - ly Spir - it,
be with us all, be with us all. A - men.

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The first system covers the first line of lyrics. The second system covers the second line of lyrics. The third system covers the third line of lyrics and ends with a double bar line. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

TEXT: 2 Corinthians 13:13
TUNE: Christian Gregor (1763)

Irregular
(540 E)

POSTLUDE: *Toccata* from Organ Symphony No. 5

..... Charles-Marie Widor (1844-1937)

SUNDAY EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP, CE-106, 10:20 a.m. (ages 3 and up), Jesus Prays

Sunday School and Power Hour Classes will not meet today. We will resume regular schedule on Sunday, April 12.

Announcements

We extend a cordial welcome to all visitors this morning and invite you to join us again whenever possible. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register, pass it both ways in your pew, and greet those near you.

The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary today in memory of *Mr. and Mrs. Agnew H. Bahnson, Sr., Mr. Agnew H. Bahnson, Jr., and Mrs. Betty Bahnson Butler.*

Clean-up of flowers in God's Acre is scheduled for Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. An alternate time is available on Tuesday, April 7, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to remove flowers, bag them, and drain and stack cups for collection. If you can help, contact Cheryl Wilson at 336-345-9693. Thank you for your support.

PLEASE NOTE: If you wish to keep any arrangements used in God's Acre during Easter, they must be removed by Monday, April 12. Otherwise, Salem Congregation staff will remove any remaining flowers.

Personals

We embrace with sympathy the family of Andrew Dewees, who died on March 27.

CALENDAR

Sunday	-	10:00 am	Easter Worship Service
Monday	-		Church Office Closed
Tuesday	-	7:00 am	Men of Church Breakfast, Club Room
		6:30 pm	Beginner Band, RB-5
		7:00 pm	Elders Meeting, CE-101
		7:30 pm	Chorale Band, RB-5
Wednesday	-	7:00 am	Breakfast, Cagney's Restaurant
		9:00 am	Stewardship Committee, Club Room
		10:00 am	Circle 9, Parlor
		11:30 am	Circle 4, Diamondback Grille
		5:45 pm	Wednesday Fellowship Meal, Fellowship Hall
		6:30 pm	Children's Program, CE Building
		6:45 pm	Wednesday Night Program, Fellowship Hall
Thursday	-	5:30 pm	Gregor BellChor, Bell Room
		6:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal, RB-5
Friday	-	9:30 am	Needlepoint Guild, Club Room
			Circle 6, Parlor
Saturday	-	8:30 am	Women's Walk, Bethania Trails
		2:00 pm	Salem Walks, Saal
Next Sunday	-	10:00 am	Worship Service
		11:15 am	Educational Programming

Youth News: No PH today—Happy Easter!

Scripture Meditation 4/5/2026

“Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit.” – Jeremiah 31:5

This verse from Jeremiah reminded me of one of my favorite verses in the Jewish Bible: Ecclesiastes 3:1, “There is a time for everything, and a season for everything under heaven.” The teacher who writes Ecclesiastes goes on to list all the different things people do and feel. We sow seeds, and we reap them when they turn into full, ripe plants; we mourn those who pass, and we welcome new life into the world; we weep, and we find times of happiness. It’s a beautiful chapter, one grounded in the diversity of the human experience.

This passage in Jeremiah suits the time of life we are in right now: a time of great joy after a period of great difficulty. In his bravery, courage, and faith, Jesus did not stop acting out the will of God, even when the people of Jerusalem turned against him, and he was killed for it. But three days later, he came back to life to show us that our earthly existences are not all that there is, and now, Jesus waits for us to join him in heaven.

We tend to only think about “times in our lives” when we’re experiencing difficulty. We don’t usually reflect in times of joy, but we should recognize that Easter is a special time of hope and happiness, of peace and love conquering hatred and bitterness; we should take the time to really enjoy it. After Lent, a season of pensiveness and sacrifice, we have a chance to celebrate the great triumph of our faith with God and with the people we love. So, I hope you all find something to smile about today, and I hope your Easter is filled with joy. May God bless and keep you. – Philip



Women's Fellowship: Let's Go for a Walk!

Join women of Home Church this spring for fellowship and a little fitness through our monthly walk series. We'll meet at 8:30AM, walk two to three miles, and finish at a nearby coffee shop or with a parking lot tailgate.

- **Saturday, April 11: Bethania Trails**
- **Saturday, May 16: Tanglewood**
- **Saturday, June 13: Reynolda Gardens**

Ready to sign up? Use the QR code below. (You'll receive more details about each walk the week before it takes place.)



Need more information?
Contact Laura Watson (sidesofla@aol.com).

Women's Day

Crafting for Community – Local & Global

- **Sat., April 18, 2026** | Fellowship Hall | Home Moravian Church
- Coffee & pastries at 9:30AM; **Program begins at 10AM**
- Brief update from Julie Tomberlin of the Unity Women's Desk

Service Projects Include:

- Beaded bracelets & other items for Unity Women's Desk Global Market
- Teacher Appreciation gifts for Diggs-Latham
- Learning to string candles for Candle Tea
- Non-craft options

Lunch prepared by the Soup Group.
Childcare available upon request.

✓ REGISTER NOW



----- Register using the QR code or place the form below in the offering plate. -----

Name: _____ Phone: _____
 Email: _____ Dietary: _____ GF | _____ VEGAN | _____ REG
 _____ I will attend | _____ I might attend | _____ I cannot attend
 _____ I will attend & will bring _____ children (aged _____)

Happy Easter HMC Kids



NINTH ANNUAL

B O L D L Y & *Beautifully*

MADE GALA

Hosted by
Friends of Moravian Prison Ministry

Where: Old Salem Visitor Center
900 Old Salem Road

When: Friday, April 24, 2026
5:30-7:00 pm

Hors d'oeuvres, wine tasting, silent auction, and
special music by Brad Bennett

Event is free (donations are encouraged)

Rt. Reverend Wayne Burkett will deliver remarks.

Please RSVP to Tommy Cole at: ctommycole@yahoo.com
or contact a Steering Committee member.

www.moravianprisonministry.org



Youth Sunday + Graduation Lunch | Sunday, May 3

- **10:00 AM:** HMC youth will lead the worship service.
- **Senior Recognition:** We will honor our graduating seniors during the service.
- **Celebration Lunch:** A luncheon will follow worship to celebrate our seniors.
- **Families of Seniors:** If you have a 2026 graduating senior, please contact Becky Hodges at bhodes@homemoravian.org



TALENT SHOW

Come share your talents with us at
Wednesday Night Fellowship
on **Wednesday, May 6**
to kick off our final
WNF program of the year.

ALL ACTS WELCOME!

(Meal at: 5:45PM; Program at: 6:45PM)

Contact Becky Hodges at
bhodes@homemoravian.org to participate.

Out for a Run

Mary is shocked by her discovery of an empty sepulcher. Jesus' body is nowhere to be found. She hurries to tell the disciples this frightful news: "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don't know where they have put him!" (John 20:2 NIV). Her words sound like the crack of a starter's pistol, as Peter and John run to the tomb.

I find John's approach to the Easter story much more down to earth and concrete. Peter and John race to the tomb. John wins the tomb race, but his conviction questions the moment, and he does not go inside. John waits for Peter. When Simon Peter arrives, he confidently enters the sepulcher. Soon after, John follows.

After the disciples leave, all of Mary's troublesome questions are answered by the tender mercy of a Risen Savior. Mary rushes back to tell the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!"

To me, faith formation with Jesus is not a sprint but a marathon run. God calls us. God leads us. We listen, accept, and choose to follow in God's steps. So, lace up the Chucks or buckle up those Birkenstocks, and join the vibrant path of believers, wearing out their soles to serve the Lord and the Lord's children.

"Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that . . . entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us" (Hebrews 12:1 NIV). Out for a run, walk, or saunter, friend travelers, remember that Mary Magdalene returned to tell the disciples, "I have seen the Lord!"

The Lord is risen. Share this Good News with those you meet on your journey of faith. Alleluia!

John Wallace, retired pastor, Dover, Ohio

The Moravian Church

Easter

Resurrection of Our Lord

April 5, 2026



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