

Aldersgate United Methodist Church EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, March 31, 2024

The Reverend Dr. Kyung-Hee Sa, Senior Pastor
The Reverend Robert Broesler, Pastor of Congregational Care

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Aldersgate is a significant place where disciples are made!

With God's help and through prayer we <u>GATHER</u> as God's people, GROW in faith and love, and GO into the world as Jesus' disciples.

9:00 AM Contemporary Worship

GATHERING

*WORSHIP SONG Christ The Lord Is Risen Today (He Is Not Dead) Journey Band

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Ryan & Emma Smith

CHILDREN'S TIME Reverend Robert Broesler

PASTORAL PRAYER Reverend Robert Broesler

OFFERING PRAYER

OFFERING SONG I Speak Jesus Journey Band

*SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 28:1-10 (NIV) Ryan & Emma Smith

MESSAGE Celebrate the Savior Reverend Dr. Kyung-Hee Sa

HOLY COMMUNION

*CLOSING SONG King Of Kings Journey Band

*BENEDICTION

For your Offering [TEXT GIVING TO (302)213-6168] OR Scan QR Code



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Altar Duty: Dinah Schlecht and Bev Barker

AV Tech: Ryan McKeever

Liturgist: Ryan & Emma Smith

Greeters: Cheryl Beeson and Kathy Daum

Head Usher: Steve Davis

Journey Band Anastasiia Sidorova, Kevin Brace, Henry Daum, Ron Lassiter, Jocelyn McCord,

Brian Erskine, Debbie Mulrooney, Rachel Domenick, Sharon Owens,

Cheryl Merritt, and Janet Atwater

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

ENTRANCE

PRELUDE Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Aldersgate Brass

arr. Evans

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Frank Honisch V

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Frank Honisch V

- L: The tomb is dark, but empty
- P: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.
- L: The stone has been rolled away
- P: The one you are looking for has overcome death
- L: The burial clothes are put aside
- P: The one you are looking for is alive!
- L: Christ is Risen!
- P: Christ is Risen Indeed!
- L: Let us worship our Risen Savior!

*HYMN, 304

Easter People, Raise Your Voices

REGENT SQUARE

*PASSING THE PEACE

PASTORAL PRAYER

Reverend Robert Broesler

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 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. Amen.

OFFERING PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Up From the Grave
Lowry, arr. Boone

Aldersgate Brass

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*DOXOLOGY, 94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*HYMN OF PREPARATION, 307

Christ is Risen

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*SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 28:1-10 (NIV)

Frank Honisch V

SERMON

Celebrate the Savior

Reverend Dr. Kyung-Hee Sa

THANKSGIVING

EUCHARIST AND COMMUNION THE GREAT THANKSGIVING THE LORD'S PRAYER **BREAKING THE BREAD** GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

SENDING FORTH

Lift High the Cross *CLOSING HYMN, 159 CRUCIFER

*BENEDICTION

AN EASTER MEDLEY He Died! The Great Redeemer Died

> Christ The Lord Is Risen Today **Gateway Ringers**

Hallelujah Chorus **POSTLUDE** Chancel Choir, Aldersgate Brass

Jocelyn McCord

Chancel Choir

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AV Tech: Ryan McKeever

Greeters: Carol Mason, Barbara Lugg, and Tom Lugg

Liturgist: Frank Honisch V Head Usher: **Steve Davis**

Music: Anastasiia Sidorova, Director of Music

Mark Sobol, Organist

Aldersgate Brass Gateway Ringers Jocelyn McCord

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING FOR EASTER DAY OR SEASON

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, *Almighty God*, creator of heaven and earth. You formed us in your image and breathed into us the breath of life. When we turned away, and our love failed, your love remained steadfast. You delivered us from captivity, made covenant to be our sovereign God, brought us to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life. And so, with your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Holy are you, and blessed is your Son Jesus Christ. By the baptism of his suffering, death, and resurrection you gave birth to your Church, delivered us from slavery to sin and death, and made with us a new covenant by water and the Spirit. By your great mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of your Son from the dead and to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading. Once we were no people, but now we are your people, declaring your wonderful deeds in Christ, who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. When the Lord Jesus ascended, he promised to be with us always, in the power of your Word and Holy Spirit. On the night in which he gave himself up for us, he took bread, gave thanks to you, broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

When the supper was over he took the cup, gave thanks to you, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Drink from this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

On the day you raised him from the dead he was recognized by his disciples in the breaking of the bread, and in the power of your Holy Spirit your Church has continued in the breaking of the bread and the sharing of the cup. And so, in remembrance of these your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith.

Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world, until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet. Through your Son Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit in your holy Church,

all honor and glory is yours, almighty God, now and forever. Amen.

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD

Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf. The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ. The cup over which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

GIVING THE BREAD AND CUP

The body of Christ, given for you. **Amen.** The blood of Christ, given for you. **Amen.**

CLOSING PRAYER

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

REMINDERS...

- Nursery & Childcare is available in Room 116.
- There is an elevator located near the Fairfax Shopping Center doors.
- Please refrain from eating or drinking in the Sanctuary.
- Altar Flowers: contact Cheryl Beeson at (302) 658-7765 or e-mail cherylbeeson45@gmail.com; checks for contributions may be put in the Treasurer's mailbox in The HUB. Please include envelope number.
- Prayer List, Visitation, and Persons to Encourage list: <u>prayerlist@aldersgatede.org</u>
- Messenger Articles & Photos: E-mail messenger@aldersgatede.org.
- Church Office Hours: Monday Thursday 9 AM- 4 PM and Fridays 9 AM- 12 PM.
- **The Hughes Chapel** is open Monday-Friday during office hours for anyone who wishes to stop in to pray.
- With COVID and flu season, stay home if you are not feeling well, wash your hands or use hand sanitizer, wear a mask if you wish and use your discretion to do what is best for you.
- **Sunday School 10:05 10:50:** We have adult and children's classes. Please see information desk in the narthex for offerings.

OUR CARING MINISTRY

And this is the boldness we have in Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, he hears us. (1 John 5:14)

The Peace Candle in the sanctuary reminds us to pray for those serving our country: Weston Stigler (grandson to Martha and Willis Weldin); Joshua Biggs-Herrara (grandson to Karen Covey Moore); Benjamin Lovett (Julia Shay's brother).

The flowers on the altar are in honor and memory of our loved ones and friends.

Our Weekly Prayer List

Our Pastors

Rev. LaTrelle Easterling, Bishop

Rev. Joe Archie, District Superintendent

Rev. Dr. Kyung-Hee Sa Rev. Robert Broesler

Our Nation

President Biden and All Leaders

All victims of gun violence

All victims of natural disasters

Sympathy

Family and friends of George Matthew (Sheena Gladden's father)

Members & Friends

Aldersgate Staff Members

Jean Adkins (friend of Teddi Collins)

Betty and Paul Aldrich

Ralph & Emily Bankert

Angela DeMaio (Christy Zeigler's mother)

Members & Friends

Janet Flenner

Will Hall (Delores & Earl Hall's grandson)

Pat Koenig

Mike Luternau

Anna Maansson

Judy Morton

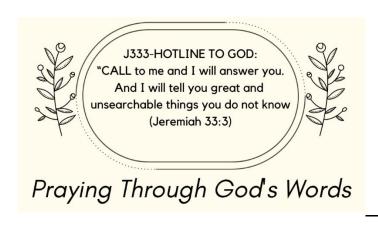
Christine Nastasi (friend of Amy Honisch)

Ron Smith

Joe & Holly Van Such

Prayer Points

- -That the message of God's redeeming love in the Risen Christ would be preached to all nations
- -We who have traveled with Jesus through His Passion might experience the power of His Resurrection
- -For those who live near us, that Aldersgate would be a beacon of faith and love in Christ.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Sunday, April 7, we will have ONE unified worship service at 10 AM.

The Rev. Dr. Tom Pasmore has been appointed by Bishop LaTrelle Easterling to serve as the new superintendent of the Delaware District of The Peninsula-Delaware Annual Conference, beginning on July 1, 2024. In this pivotal role, Pasmore brings a wealth of experience, a deep commitment to community-based ministries, and a steadfast dedication to the Gospel.

The Good Samaritan Fund provides urgent/temporary assistance to individuals/families for help with rent or utility bills. Donations mainly come from the congregation on Communion Sundays. Referral phone calls from people who urgently need assistance are received in the office and are referred to Friendship House where the applicants are screened. There is a tremendous need right now. We will be collecting NEXT SUNDAY! February collection: \$593 March collection: \$662

Impact: Youth aged 6th grade through 12th grade are invited to join us for Impact. Join us every Wednesday, 6-7:30 PM, for games, fellowship, and Bible study!

Impact Volunteers – Pam Downey is looking for adults who can help with Impact each week. The time commitment is Wednesday evenings from 5:50 – 7:30. Can you help once a month and get to know this fun and energetic group of kids? Please contact Pam if you can volunteer: pam.downey@aldersgatede.org.

You are invited to sign-up and join us for our annual Youth Spring Retreat! We will be heading down to Camp Pecometh from Friday, April 26- Saturday April 27, for a time filled with worship, fellowship, rock climbing, ziplining, and more! We would love for youth to join us for this incredible opportunity. RSVP with Pam Downey at pam.downey@aldersgatede.org.

Easter Eggs for Sale! Same great flavors: Butter Cream, Peanut Butter, Coconut Cream and Chocolate Pecan. Single Eggs (1/2 lb) or Sampler Packs (1/2 lb) are \$12 each. While supplies last.

The Gather and Communications Teams are joining to present the *What's Up*? series of informational dinners with open discussions about different topics that affect life at Aldersgate. On Monday, April 22, everyone is invited to enjoy a light dinner from 6 - 6:30 and then participate in round tables on the topic of Church Vitality. Children in attendance will enjoy supervised activities. Childcare will be available from 6:30 to 8. The evening will include a summary of opinions and conclude by 8 PM.

Aldersgate Rummage Sale – Saturday, April 6, 2024 - 8:00 AM – 2:30 PM - How Can You Help? VOLUNTEER – DONATE – SHOP – TELL FRIENDS! Donations are accepted at the Fairfax-side, Rainbow Room ramp entrance Saturday 3/30 from 9 AM until 2 PM, Monday, 4/1 and Tuesday 4/2 from 9 AM until 7 PM and Wednesday, 4/3 from 9 AM until 5 PM. Volunteer anytime March 30th through April 6th. There's a lot of work to be done and plenty of fun to be had, so join us as we prepare for sale day! For more information contact a Rummage Sale Chair: Stacie DiGiacoma (staciedigiacoma@msn.com, 302-598-5025), Nancy Hough (houghn1@hotmail.com, 302-762-5321) or Chris Burket (cburket@gmail.com)

Pastor Sa will have open office hours on Thursday mornings, from 10-12. This is a time for you to be able to have a conversation with Pastor Sa. To arrange the time with her, please email kyunghee.sa@aldersgatede.org

We invite all people worshipping with us to develop a personal and spiritual growth plan that will help fulfill our mission: *Everyone in Service*. Please take the spiritual gifts survey to determine the best use of your strengths with our ministries. The United Methodist Spiritual Gifts survey is found here: <u>Discipleship Ministries | Spiritual Gifts Inventory (umcdiscipleship.org)</u>. You may have your results sent to: <u>AUMCspiritualgifts@aldersgatede.org</u>.

The Ministry Fair is April 21 at 10 AM. This will be a time to learn about the Ministry opportunities we have here at Aldersgate, to find where *you can serve*. There will be an overview from our Gather, Grow, and Go Teams; representatives from committees/groups to provide information; and refreshments! ~ Everyone in Service ~

The Ministry Academy is Sunday, April 28, after our one Unified Worship service at 10 AM. This will provide detailed information sessions from our committees and group ministries that you wish to hear more about or serve on. Represented committees: Gather, Grow, Go, Trustees, SPRC, Finance, Communications, and The Committee on Nominations and Leadership Development.

Become a member of Aldersgate UMC! Our next new member class is May 5, 12:15 PM, in room 237. In this class we will answer your questions about Aldersgate and the United Methodist church and introduce you to the ministries and people in our congregation.

SAVE THE DATE! Vacation Bible School - August 5-9, Optional dinner 5:30 PM, 'Scuba' fun! 6 -7:30 PM.

The Front Red Doors will be open on Sunday mornings, weather permitting, beginning Easter (March 31, 2024). We want to encourage everyone to use the doors to provide a welcoming gesture to the community that passes by on Sunday mornings.

CALENDAR

Sunday, March 31, 2024 - Easter Sunday

6:30a Easter Sunrise Service, Mt. Lebanon UMC

9:00 Contemporary Worship

11:00 Traditional Worship

Monday, April 1, 2024

Office Closed

8:00a Rummage Sale setup

9:00 -7:00 DONATIONS Accepted

Tuesday, April 2, 2024

8:00a Rummage Sale Setup

7:00p Trustees, 237

9:00 -7:00 DONATIONS Accepted

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

8:00a Rummage Sale Setup

9:00 -5:00 DONATIONS Accepted

6:30 Brass Rehearsal, Sanctuary

7:30 Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room

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Thursday, April 4, 2024

8:00a Rummage Sale Setup

10:00 Disciple, 237

6:00p Girl Scout Troop #129, 137

7:30 Handbells, Handbell Room

Friday, April 5, 2024

8:00a Rummage Sale Setup

Saturday, April 6, 2024

8:00a RUMMAGE SALE DAY

In Honor of ...

Our Children and Grandchildren from Martin and Jane Wagner.

My new friends at Aldersgate UMC from Elaine Chester.

Our family from Tom and Barbara Lugg

Carolyn, Brian, Cecilia, and Violet Estebez from Barbara Buckley.

My Great Grandchildren; Emily, Joshua, Hailey, Freya, and Garrett from Mary Ann Hall.

Scott, Eliza, Allie, Isabel, Pete, Lisa, Lily, and Mitchell from Owen and Kitty Lugar.

My Grandchildren; Ryan, Jacob, Charlotte, and Cooper Anderson from Cheryl Beeson.

Byron Ford, Natalie's father from the Dyke family.

Our Children; Elizabeth, Jonathan, and Janelle, from Jonathan and Natalie Dyke.

Don, Amanda, Evelyn, and Jonas Moyer from Bert and Betsy Diemer.

Russell, Lis, Dylan, and Hazel Diemer from Bert and Betsy Diemer.

Aldersgate Leadership and Staff from Pastor Kyung-Hee.

My Mother, Joan Derosa from Julie Derosa.

Our Children and Grandchildren from Kathy and Henry Daum.

Our Children and Grandchildren from Jack and Melva Smith.

Jenna, Justin, and Amanda with love from Mom, Cathy Hartwick.

My Granddaughters, Mae and Vivienne Reiner from Marilyn Reiner.

My Grandson, Levi Kremer from Marilyn Reiner.

Loved Ones from Rob and Kathy Harding.

Ned and Mary Lou Landis from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Theresa Pierantozzi from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Heidi, Dave, Ella, Cole, and Ryan McGeady from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

All Serving Our World for the Highest Good from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Nancy and Scott Hermes from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Richard Carver from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Dottie and Wayne Emsley from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Joseph, Jay, and Joy Setting from Judy Setting.

Irene Wood from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.



In Loving Memory of ...

Louis Vacca from the Lassiter Family.

Jon Lassiter from the Lassiter Family.

Loved Ones from Martin and Jane Wagner.

Owen and Pearl Shannon from Steve and Debbie Davis.

Harry and Elaine Davis from Steve and Debbie Davis.

Deb's sisters, Ann, Marie, and Doris; Deb's brother and brother in-law, Bobby and Bob from Steve and Debbie Davis.

Our Parents, Emily and Laurence DeVoll and Jane and Charles McKinsey from Donnie and Doug DeVoll.

Loved Ones from the Barefords.

Pat Culliton from Bill Culliton.

Guy and Mildred Wharton from Ferris and Erin Wharton.

Sue W. Miller from Ferris and Erin Wharton.

Mary Ann O'Connor from Ferris and Erin Wharton.

Our Beloved Son, Barry David from Lynne and Mike Conlan.

Our Beloved Son in-law, Mark Christopher from Lynne and Mike Conlan.

Our Parents from Tom and Barbara Lugg.

Susan Kay Beesley from Wendy S. Lindsey.

Family and Friends from Bob and Carolyn Reis.

Jean Pyle from Jocelyn McCord, Valerie Voge, and families.

Dana Pyle from Jocelyn McCord, Valerie Voge, and families.

Dana Robertson from Jocelyn McCord, Valerie Voge, and families.

My Parents, Dr. William H. and Alberta Mason from Carol E. Mason.

My Brother, William H. Mason, Jr. from Carol E. Mason.

My Husband, Bill Buckley, from Barbara Buckley.

My Son, Charles L. Hall from Mary Ann Hall.

My Parents, Charles and Mae Lindale from Mary Ann Hall.

Molly Mae from Owen and Kitty Lugar.

C. Douglass Beeson from Cheryl Beeson.

Mae Ballard Ford, Natalie's mother, from The Dyke Family.

Our Loved Ones from Bert and Betsy Diemer.

Robert C. Macklem, my husband from Mary Macklem.

Karen McCauley, my niece from Mary Macklem.

Our Parents, the Daums and the Petricks from Kathy and Henry Daum.

Our Parents and Grandparents from Jack and Melva Smith.

Mary and Frank Rennis from Bill and Debbie Hartnett.

Joseph and Margaret Hartnett from Bill and Debbie Hartnett.

Joseph Hartnett from Bill and Debbie Hartnett.

Helen and Sophie Bertas from Bill and Debbie Hartnett.

James Rennis from Bill and Debbie Hartnett.

Our Parents, Bob and Lucille Yeatman and Bill and Pat Johnson from Mike and Barb Johnson.

Loving Memory of ...

Frank Sobonya from Jean Sobonya.

Cherished Loved Ones from Marilyn Reiner.

Louralea Hall Meredith from Nelson Meredith.

Mom, Dad, and Marge Elliott from Bill and Candy Elliott.

Henry and Michael Ting from Bill and Candy Elliott.

Frank and Merle Cash from Mark, MJ, Mia, and Celia Wichmann.

Robert and Sarah Wichmann from Mark, MJ, Mia, and Celia Wichmann.

Our Parents from Debbie and Paul Montigney.

Marvin Harding from Jean Ann Harding.

Helen and Ed Frangesh from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Alice and Given Landis from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Joseph S. Setting from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Argia and Nudzareno Pierantozzi from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

James L. Setting, Jr. from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Grace Muscelli-Setting from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

Drew A. Sopirak from Judy, Joseph, and Jay Setting.

John and Louise Fortner, Mom & Dad, from Bobbie Burtch.

The Altar Guild of Aldersgate UMC thanks everyone for their continued support!

Purchased flowers may be picked up after each service.

