



Ardmore Moravian Church

April 12, 2026

WATCH WORD FOR THE WEEK:

*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ!
By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living
hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.*

1 Peter 1:3

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH
Second Sunday of Easter
April 12, 2026

Prelude “I Sing the Mighty Power of God” Mark Hayes

Call to Worship

The Lord is risen!

The Lord is risen indeed!

Songs of Praise

“Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)”

One day when Heaven was filled with His praises

One day when sin was as black as could be

Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin

Dwelt among men, my example is He

Word became flesh and the light shined among us

His glory revealed

Living, He loved me

Dying, He saved me

Buried, He carried my sins far away

Rising, He justified freely forever

One day He's coming

Oh glorious day, oh glorious day

*One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain
One day they nailed Him to die on a tree
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He
Hands that healed nations, stretched out on a tree
And took the nails for me*

*Living, He loved me
Dying, He saved me
Buried, He carried my sins far away
Rising, He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day*

*One day the grave could conceal Him no longer
One day the stone rolled away from the door
Then He arose, over death He had conquered
Now is ascended, my Lord evermore
Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him
From rising again*

*Living, He loved me
Dying, He saved me
Buried, He carried my sins far away
Rising, He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day – Glorious day*

*One day the trumpet will sound for His coming
One day the skies with His glories will shine
Wonderful day, my Beloved One bringing
My Savior Jesus is mine*

*Living, He loved me
Dying, He saved me
Buried, He carried my sins far away
Rising, He justified freely forever
One day He's coming
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day
Oh glorious day, oh glorious day*

“Resurrecting” Elevation Worship

*The head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now
The Savior knelt to wash our feet
Now at his feet we bow*

*The one who wore our sin and shame
Now robed in majesty
The radiance of perfect love
Now shines for all to see*

*Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King
Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King*

*The fear that held us now
Gives way to him who is our peace
His final breath upon the cross is now alive in me*

*Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King
Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King*

*By Your Spirit I will rise, from the ashes of defeat
The resurrected King is resurrecting me
In Your name, I come alive to declare Your victory
The Resurrected King is resurrecting me
(Repeat)*

*The tomb where soldiers watched in vain
Was borrowed for three days
His body there would not remain
Our God has robbed the grave
Our God has robbed the grave*

*Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King
Your name, Your name is victory
All praise will rise to Christ our King
(Repeat)*

Greeting One Another

Welcome and Announcements

Liturgy

(Standing.)

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

The Lord has set his people free.

“Ellacombe (151 R)”

*The day of resurrection! Earth tell it out abroad;
the passover of gladness, the passover of God.
From death to life eternal, from sin to be set free,
our Christ has brought us over, with hymns of victory.*

*Now let the heav'ns be joyful, let earth its song begin;
the round world keep high triumph, and all that is therein;
in grateful exultation their notes let all things blend,
for Christ the Lord has risen, our Joy that has no end.*

(Sitting)

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.

“Lux Eoi (167 H)”

Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Hearts to heav'n and voices raise;
sing to God a hymn of gladness,
sing to God a hymn of praise;
he, who on the cross a victim
for the world's salvation bled,
Jesus Christ, the King of Glory,
now is risen from the dead.*

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.

(Standing)

“Christians, Dismiss Your Fear” MBW #356

*Christians, dismiss your fear;
let hope and joy succeed;
the joyful news with gladness hear:
“The Lord is ris’n indeed!”
The promise is fulfilled
in Christ our only Head;
now justice, mercy, reconciled,
he lives who once was dead.*

*The Lord is ris’n again,
who on the cross did bleed;
he lives to die no more, amen,
the Lord is ris’n indeed!
He truly tasted death
to give us hope again,
in bitter pangs resigned his breath,
but now has ris’n. Amen!*

*He has himself the keys
of death, the grave, and hell;
his is the victory and praise,
and he rules all things well;
death now no more I dread,
but cheerful close my eyes;
death is a sleep, the grave a bed;
with Jesus I shall rise.*

Sharing our Tithes and Offerings

Anthem "O Church, Arise" arr. Russell Mauldin

Response "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer

Scripture

Acts 2:14a; 22-32

I Peter 1:3-9

John 20:19-31

Above all powers, above all kings
Above all nature and all created things
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man
You were here before the world began

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones
Above all wonders the world has ever known
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth
There's no way to measure what You're worth

Crucified, laid behind a stone
You lived to die, rejected and alone
Like a rose, trampled on the ground
You took the fall and thought of me
Above all

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*In the bulb there is a flower;
in the seed, an apple tree;
in cocoons, a hidden promise:
butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
there's a spring that waits to be,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.*

*There's a song in every silence,
seeking word and melody;
there's a dawn in every darkness
bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
what it holds, a mystery,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.*

*In our end is our beginning;
in our time, infinity;
in our doubt there is believing;
in our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
at the last, a victory,
unrevealed until its season,
something God alone can see.*

Closing

(Standing)

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.

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.

“ Sing Hallelujah, Praise The Lord!” Bechler (159 D)
Sing hallelujah, praise the Lord!
Sing with a cheerful voice;
exalt our God with one accord,
and in his name rejoice.

Ne'er cease to sing, O ransomed host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
until in realms of endless light
your praises shall unite.

*There we to all eternity
shall join the angelic lays
and sing in perfect harmony
to God our Savior's praise;
he has redeemed us by his blood,
and made us kings and priests to God;
for us, for us, the Lamb was slain!
Praise ye the Lord! Amen.*

Benediction

Glory be to Christ Jesus, who is the Resurrection and the Life. He was dead, and behold he is alive forever and ever. Those who believe in him, even though they die, yet shall they live. Glory be to Christ Jesus, in the church which waits for him on earth, and in the church which is around him in heaven, from everlasting to everlasting.

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


Amen.

Please be seated and use this time to listen to the Postlude and reflect upon how God is calling you to live, to love, and to serve in the week to come.


Postlude

“Behold the King!”

Lani Smith



The flowers are placed in the Sanctuary this morning to the glory of God and His Son, Jesus Christ, as we continue to remember the agony of the cross & celebrate the glory of the empty tomb.



OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, April 12 – Second Sunday of Easter

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

Monday – April 13

- 11:30 AM Women’s Fellowship Executive Board Meeting
- 6:30 PM Joint Board Meeting

Tuesday – April 14

- 10:00 AM Circle # 3
- 1:30 PM Circle # 4
- 5:30 PM Circle # 5

Wednesday – April 15

- 5:30 PM Meal
- 6:15 PM Bible Study
- 7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal

Thursday – April 16

- 8:30 AM Men’s Breakfast @ Café Arthurs

Sunday, April 19 – Third Sunday of Easter

- 9:30 AM Sunday School Classes
- 10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Joe Moore

Immediately following the worship service, the Joint Board will meet and then the Board of Elders and Board of Trustees will meet for their monthly meeting.

PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



Members

Meredith Bowles
Cindy Clore
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****Please contact the church office to add or remove individuals from the prayer list.***

Welcome to Ardmore Moravian Church
“Where Communion and Community Come Together”

We are a Christ-centered fellowship of people bound by love of Jesus and one another. Our greatest hope is that God will be glorified through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We have gathered to worship; celebrating the eternal life won for us by Christ through His death and resurrection as promised in the Bible.

God has created and called us into relationship with Himself (communion) and with one another (community). We need the Lord, and we need each other. As you draw close to God, may you also grow in friendship with those around you. We believe God has gifted people in every age. So our worship is marked by a variety of styles and expressions of music, liturgy, prayer and proclamation. We seek to blend these expressions in a way that pleases God and edifies one another.

The Moravian Church, while unfamiliar to many, is actually one of the oldest Protestant denominations in the world. Our roots and heritage run deep, even one hundred years prior to the Great Reformation. Yet our sense of mission is alive and active *today* as we serve the Lord in ministry together.

Jesus said to His disciples, “...you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.” At Ardmore Moravian we sincerely strive to live that promise. We worship, study the Holy Scriptures, fellowship and grow as Disciples of Christ together here at the corner of Hawthorne and Academy. We ask the Lord then to send us out and employ us for His glory as we share the Gospel - the Good News of Christ - locally, regionally and globally.

If you are searching for a meaningful relationship with God and productive friendships with other people, you’ve come to the right place, “Where Communion and Community Come Together.”



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