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April 16, 2023

#### 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

#### Romans 12:1-13

12 Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. <sup>2</sup> Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. <sup>4</sup> For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. <sup>6</sup> We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; <sup>7</sup> if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; <sup>8</sup> if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

<sup>9</sup>Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. <sup>10</sup>Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. <sup>11</sup>Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. <sup>12</sup>Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. <sup>13</sup>Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

## ARDMORE MORAVIAN CHURCH

# Second Sunday of Easter April, 16, 2023

PRELUDE Laurie Ryan

CALL TO WORSHIP "Soli Deo Gloria" Choir

**GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

SONGS "All Praise To Him" Pg 2

"Goodness Of God" Pg 4

READING Romans 11:33-36

Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out!

"Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?" "Who has ever given to God, that God should repay them?"

For from him and through him and for him are all things.

To him be the glory forever! Amen.

SONG "Reformation Song" Pg 6

**PRAYER** 

SCRIPTURE Romans 12:1-13

SERMON Living Doxology Daniel Dockery

HYMN "Take My Life That It May Be" Pg 7

POSTLUDE Laurie Ryan

#### **ALL PRAISE TO HIM**

All praise to Him, the God of light, who formed the mountains by His might. All praise to Him who names the stars that sing His fame in skies afar. All praise to Him who reigns in love, who guides the galaxies above, yet bends to hear our every prayer with sovereign pow'r and tender care.

All praise to Him whose love is seen in Christ the Son, the Servant King, who left behind His glorious throne to pay the ransom for His own.

All praise to Him who humbly came to bear our sorrow, sin, and shame, who lived to die, who died to rise, the all-sufficient sacrifice.

All praise to Him whose pow'r imparts the love of God within our hearts, the Spirit of all truth and peace, the fount of joy and holiness.

To Father, Son, and Spirit now our souls we lift, our wills we bow,

To You, the Triune God, we raise, with hearts of love, our song of praise!

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#### **GOODNESS OF GOD**

I love You, Lord
For Your mercy never failed me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
And in darkest night You are close like no other
I've known You as a Father
I've known You as a Friend
And I have lived in the goodness of God, yeah!

And all my life You have been faithful, oh And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God, yeah! 'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me Your goodness is running after, it's running after me With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now I give You everything

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me, oh-oh

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
Your goodness is running after, it's running after me
With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now
I give You everything

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it keeps running after me

And all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God
I'm gonna sing, I'm gonna sing
'Cause all my life You have been faithful
And all my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God
Oh, I'm gonna sing of the goodness of God

#### REFORMATION SONG

Your word alone is solid ground
The mighty rock on which we build
In every line the truth is found
And every page with glory filled

Through faith alone we come to you We have no merit we can claim Sure that your promises are true We place our hope in Jesus' name

**Chorus:** Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone Gloria, gloria, glory to God alone

In Christ alone we're justified
His righteousness is all our plea
Your law's demands are satisfied
His perfect work has set us free

#### **Chorus**

By grace alone we have been saved
All that we are has come from You
Hearts that were once by sin enslaved
Now by Your pow'r have been made new

Chorus (2x's)

#### TAKE MY LIFE THAT IT MAY BE

Take my life that it may be all you purpose, Lord, for me.

Take my moments and my days; let them sing your ceaseless praise, let them sing your ceaseless praise.

Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of your love.

Take my feet and lead their way; never let them go astray, never let them go astray.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.

Take my lips and keep them true, filled with messages from you, filled with messages from you.

Take my life, O Lord, renew, consecrate my heart to you. Take my self, and I will be yours for all eternity, yours for all eternity.



We welcome and thank Daniel Dockery for being with us and delivering a message this week.

We also welcome and thank Laurie Ryan, guest musician, for being with us and providing beautiful music.



The flowers are placed today to the glory of God and His Son, Jesus Christ, as we continue to remember the agony of the Cross and celebrate the glory of the empty tomb.



#### **UPCOMING AMC OPPORTUNITIES**

## **Today, Sunday, April 16**

9:00 AM Prayer in Church Parlor

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM Worship Service – Daniel Dockery

Church Council to follow immediately after the worship service.

Board of Elders and Board of Trustees will meet for their regular monthly meeting immediately after Church Council.

## Monday, April 17

8:00 AM Salem Congregation Staff will be removing Easter Flowers

## Tuesday, April 18

11:30 AM Senior & Friends Luncheon at Café Arthur's

## Thursday, April 20

8:30 AM Men's Breakfast at Café Arthur's

## Sunday, April 23

9:00 AM Prayer in Church Parlor

9:30 AM Sunday School Classes

10:30 AM Worship Service – Rev. Robert Shackleford

#### PEOPLE FOR WHOM WE ARE PRAYING



Marie Adams Amanda Bowles Adam Lefevre

**Ruth Long** 

Alice Pierce
Alex Spach
Jo Spach
Frances and Gerald Walker

Remember

Prayer

#### **Friends**

Glynn Boze John Cranford Mary Matthews Ray Shelton

\*Please contact the church office to add or remove individuals from the prayer list.

## **SERMON NOTES**


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# Welcome to Ardmore Moravian Church "Where Communion and Community Come Together"

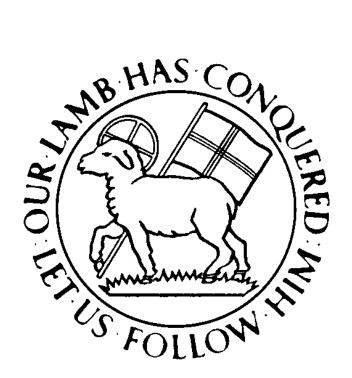
We are a Christ-centered fellowship of people bound by love of Jesus and one another. Our greatest hope is that God will be glorified through the power and presence of the Holy Spirit among us. We have gathered to worship; celebrating the eternal life won for us by Christ through His death and resurrection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